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Dear ACCL Contributor,

American Citizens Concerned for Life has developed a number of new materials recently, two of which I wish to share with you at this time:

- * ACCL's Organizational Brochure; developed to explain the activities and goals of the organization. Please pass it on to others you feel would be interested in supporting the work of ACCL.
- * UPDATE; a new publication which will be issued at least twelve times annually and mailed to all persons making a donation of twenty-five dollars or greater to the work of the organization.

We are not relaxing our efforts, as a quick glance at the activities reported in the enclosed UPDATES will indicate. A new national organization like ACCL requires tremendous effort -- in the summer as well as the rest of the year -- and each day brings new challenges and demands.

Except for your generosity -- and that of many others -- ACCL would not have "weathered" its maiden voyage. It is a reward for our labors, and a compliment to your determination, that ACCL has accomplished so much in such a short period of time.

Sincerely yours, *Wm. Mecklenburg*

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P.S. The Internal Revenue Service has notified us that the ACCL Education Fund has been granted tax exempt status. If your circumstances permit, you might wish to make a donation to this Fund. To be tax deductible your check should be made out to the ACCL Education Fund. Your gift will be used exclusively for needed educational programs.



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**"TO BE ALIVE
IS POWER..."**

Emily Dickinson

WHAT IS AMERICAN CITIZENS CONCERNED FOR LIFE?



It's an adventure

There is no greater challenge than the struggle we now face in our country — the struggle to save and protect human life. Solving our social problems without violence — with love and compassion — is possible. ACCL has faith in the future and in America's citizens. We believe a better society is attainable and have embarked on the bold venture of saving and nurturing human life. You can become part of this affirmation of life and this expression of love. Your contribution will support the programs, the services, and the activities of ACCL. With your help, ACCL believes the struggle for life can and will be won.

It's a belief

ACCL believes that all human life deserves to be protected from willful harm. We believe that all people should be respected regardless of their physical condition, race, creed, age or socio-economic status. People who care can create a society in which dignity and justice prevail and each human being is accepted and valued. New and expanded programs which reflect this philosophy of caring are being developed by ACCL. Vital to their success is adequate financing, nationwide teamwork and new heights of resolve from America's citizens.

It's people

American Citizens Concerned for Life are of many different ages and interests. They are from all corners of the nation, all religious and economic backgrounds and all political persuasions. What unites ACCL supporters is their willingness to work and give so that each life will be offered legal protection, and each person may live with dignity and hope. Outstanding professionals from many fields have joined with ACCL and support its work. (see back cover)

It's action

Workshops, seminars, conventions and meetings bring ACCL people together. ACCL's people in action include groups of educators developing new ways to explore bioethics and family life issues, organizational teams helping strengthen fledgling pro-life groups, citizens discussing legislation with their elected representatives and sharing food with the hungry, ACCL officials testifying before Congressional committees and clergymen and laypeople from many faiths joining together in public prayer. Your support of ACCL action shows your love and concern for human life!

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Accl RESPECT FOR LIFE PRIORITIES

- advocate legislation to protect all human life
- work for programs to provide supportive services for troubled pregnant women and their families
- promote education in responsible parenthood and family life
- build strong state and local pro-life organizations
- broaden the base of support for the pro-life philosophy
- cooperate with other national and state pro-life groups to bring about needed teamwork
- support public and private measures that enhance the dignity and value of each human person
- further progress in medical science while maintaining protection for individual human rights

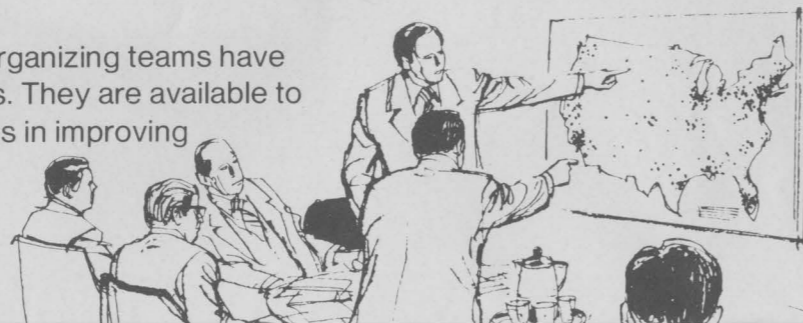
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OF ALL HUMAN BEINGS ARE RESPECTED, ENHANCED
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your support is needed to continue these services and activities

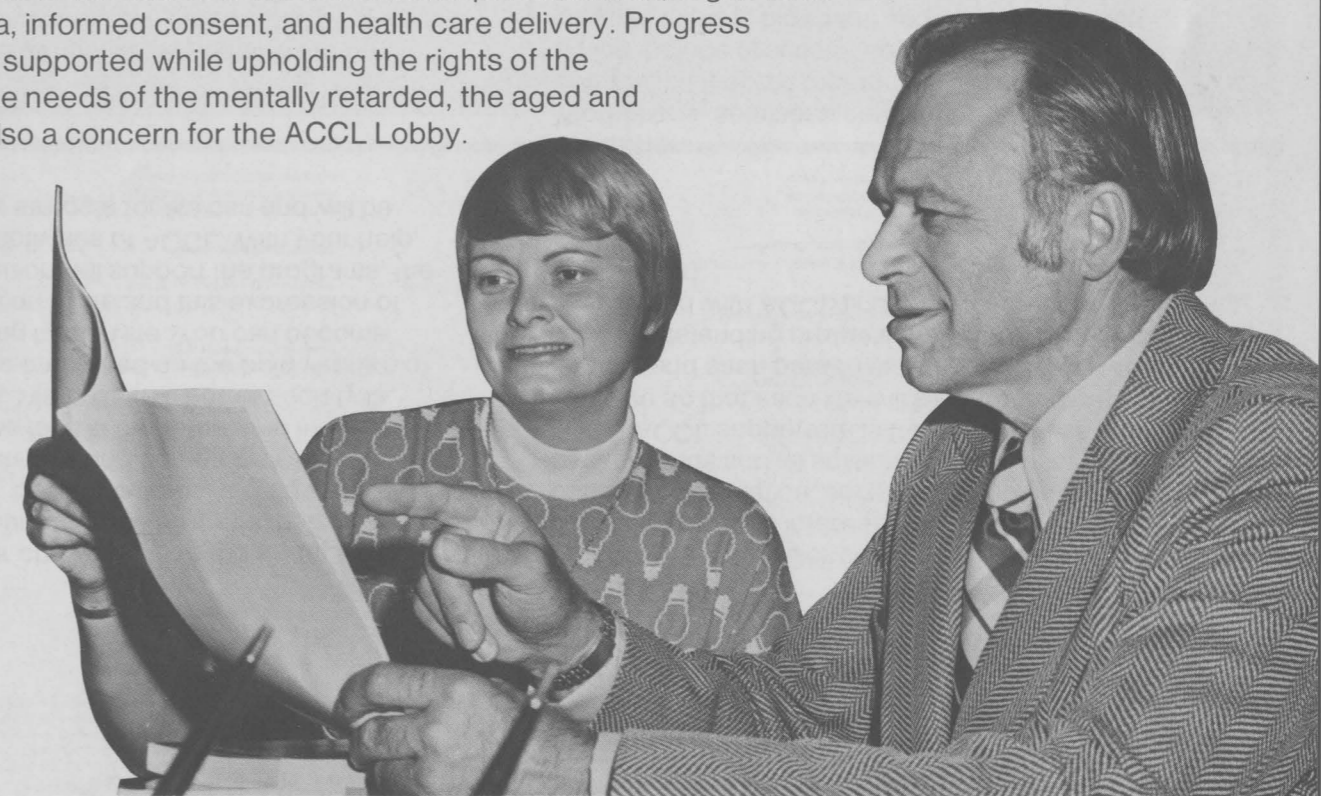


Annual Prayer Breakfast for Life. Each year on January 22, prominent clergy, Congressmen and laypeople of many faiths gather in Washington, D.C. to give public witness to a deep and abiding faith that human life is a gift from God and is sacred and inviolate. The life-giving message of the Scriptures is proclaimed and the guidance of the Almighty is sought for the work that lies ahead. Your participation helps make the Prayer Breakfast a success each year. The 1975 Prayer Breakfast for Life tape cassette and accompanying study booklet are available for use by church and synagogue study groups as well as by pro-life organizations.

Organizational Development Teams. ACCL organizing teams have helped form new action groups in several states. They are available to assist new and established pro-life organizations in improving their structure, implementing fund raising ideas and developing education programs. Experienced people are ready to help whether the need is for initial building, or improvement of already existing organizations.



The ACCL Lobby. The ACCL Lobby encourages the enactment of an amendment to the United States Constitution that will make possible legal protection for unborn infants. This citizen action group works to improve the supportive services available to women with pregnancy problems, and recognizes the needs of women everywhere in nurturing their children. Specific concerns of this program include parenting, family life, health care for pregnant women and their children, nutrition, adoption and foster care, birth insurance, counseling, and support for families with children who have special needs. In addition, the ACCL Lobby is involved in bioethical issues such as human experimentation, organ transplantation, euthanasia, informed consent, and health care delivery. Progress in medical science is supported while upholding the rights of the individual. Meeting the needs of the mentally retarded, the aged and the handicapped is also a concern for the ACCL Lobby.



Food For Life Committee. Pro-life people showed their compassion last January 22nd by donating food to be distributed to the starving and under-nourished in the United States and overseas. The



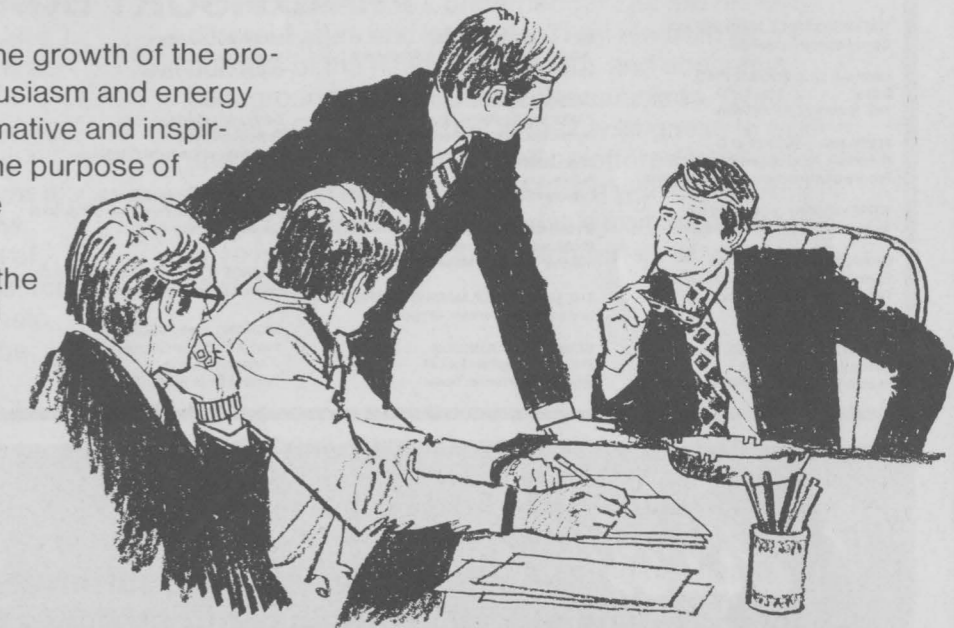
Food for Life advisory committee is particularly concerned about meeting the nutritional needs of pregnant women, unborn babies and children.

Multi-media Education. ACCL audio-visual educational modules are produced by our own New Directions Education Committee. Through slides and accompanying cassettes, these modules explore concepts as "How does a social movement work?" and what does "alternatives to abortion" really mean? A unique series of informational booklets is also available covering such aspects of pro-life activity as newsletter production, tax-exempt status, pregnancy counseling and fundraising.



Conventions. ACCL is present around the nation at professional, fraternal and religious group conventions with display booths which feature audio-visual programs and informative literature. Many people who see our materials and hear our message become aware of the need for their involvement in the life issues.

Regional Leadership Meetings. The growth of the pro-life movement depends on the enthusiasm and energy of its leaders. ACCL sponsors informative and inspirational small-group workshops for the purpose of training, informing and activating the people who plan the action: state, regional and chapter officials. Here the newest developments are discussed and future courses of action are mapped.



Update. ACCL's own publication, **Update**, brings to you the newest on the federal and state legislative scene, keeping you abreast of government activity in the life concerns area. **Update** will also bring you new ideas for pro-life education and organization.

Accel Update
FOR JUNE, 1975

TO BUILD A BETTER AMERICA FOR LIFE

ACCL supports education programs in family life and parenting.

ACCL works toward a society in which destruction of human life is not used to solve social problems.

ACCL believes that no child should grow up homeless, unwanted or abused.

ACCL favors the teaching of healthy attitudes toward human sexuality to encourage responsible behavior.

ACCL favors research to develop a variety of family planning methods which are safe and effective and are acceptable to people with a wide range of personal beliefs, provided that these methods do not end a pregnancy already begun.

ACCL defends the right of individual couples to determine family size free from bureaucratic interference or harassment.

ACCL advocates the wider availability of genetic counseling to help prevent birth defects.

ACCL supports the right of the unborn and newborn child to receive adequate diagnosis and lifesaving treatment for medical problems.

ACCL works for comprehensive programs of supportive services for all pregnant women who are distressed.

ACCL believes that human beings with special needs deserve special protection and care.



Erma Clardy Craven
 "ACCL represents many Americans who are concerned with basic human rights and justice for all"

Jean Garton
 "ACCL people are truly for nonviolent solutions to social and economic problems and for the preservation and strengthening of the family"

Hymie Gordon, M.D.
 "ACCL's pro life activities will be directed at protecting and helping our physically disabled, aged and rejected fellow humans and at promoting harmony between peoples of different races, nations and beliefs."

Eunice Kennedy Shriver
 "In a society which seems preoccupied with death, not life and with self-centeredness not service, the ACCL stands for a more compelling tradition: protection of all human life; compassion for the unborn and the aged; caring for the helpless and the handicapped. As we search for that dimly perceived goal of justice, the ACCL can well serve as a compass for our conscience."

David W. Louisell, J.D.
 "As long as there is an American Citizens Concerned for Life, I will take hope that our tradition and commitment to the essential quality of all human life will be restored."

Congressman James L. Oberstar
 "The fight in Congress for a Human Life Amendment has just begun. ACCL's programs of organizing and mobilizing are the way to wage the battle"

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 "A truly All American Coalition for the human right basic to every other: life"

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is not for those who have surrendered their faith in tomorrow — or for those who will not act when confronted by a helpless human life in danger. But if you believe in the future and want to lend your hand to those in distress and peril — to give life a chance — then ACCL is for you.

JOIN WITH US NOW

- \$1000 will support a pro-life organizer for one month in a state that needs and requests help.
- \$500 will place the ACCL brochure in the hands of 6,000 people at a national church or professional convention.
- \$100 will print and distribute timely and appropriate pro-life literature to each U.S. Senator and Representative.
- \$75 will help develop one audio-visual slide presentation needed by local and state pro-life groups throughout the country.
- Use my contribution for legislative action or organizing pro-life groups. (Please make your check payable to ACCL) Any gift of \$25 or more entitles you to a year's subscription to Update.
- \$50 will pay the expenses of a Congressional lobbyist in Washington for one day.
- \$25 will assist in bringing together pro-life leaders in your region for a conference to discuss and implement new projects.
- \$10 will provide a needed package of organization and education manuals to a local or state pro-life leader.
- \$_____ any amount will be appreciated and will assist in our work.
- Use my separate contribution of \$_____ for pro-life education. (Please make this separate check payable to the ACCL Education Fund — your contribution is tax-deductible)

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WHO CARES ABOUT YOU?

You might think that with so many friends of the pro-life movement around the country we wouldn't care that you aren't as yet among the supporters of American Citizens Concerned for Life.

But we do!

Your assistance is needed to help ACCL make protection of human life the highest priority of our country's laws, social policies and institutions. We can't emphasize enough just how important to this work your gift can be. No matter what the size.

Take, for example, even \$10. If you, and the other friends we are writing to, would slip a ten dollar bill into the enclosed reply envelope the result would be overwhelming. A dozen vital and needed life sustaining ACCL projects could begin immediately.

So you see, it's not always the size of your gift that matters most. It's your decision to do something now that counts. Your positive action, combined with a similar action by others, will make possible pro-life legislative programs and organizing. Education and research. Supportive services for pregnant women and their unborn children. The recruitment and training of additional volunteers in the fight for life. And many other necessary activities.

Join the other creative people who are members of the ACCL family. Mail your contribution in the enclosed envelope.

Today, if you can.

Thanks very much,

Marjory Mecklenburg
for the Board of Directors

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P.S. A marvelous challenge has just been presented to us. Two loyal supporters have offered to match the first \$2500 in new gifts that we receive. Your check right now can help us meet this challenge. A ten dollar gift from you is worth \$20 to ACCL this month.

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HOW YOU, AS A PRO-LIFE CITIZEN, CAN BECOME PERSONALLY EFFECTIVE IN THE 1974 ELECTIONS

10. You will find that many of the candidates for office in the 1974 elections are pro-life. This is a good sign. It means that the people of this country are beginning to realize the importance of the life issue. It also means that you, as a pro-life citizen, have a chance to make a difference. You can help elect these candidates by contacting them and letting them know that you support their views. This can be done by writing them, calling them, or meeting with them. You can also help by spreading the word about their views to your friends and neighbors. This is a very important step in the process of electing pro-life candidates.

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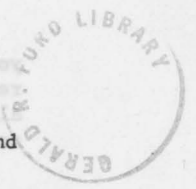
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Grass roots political effectiveness is the single most essential factor in any plan to amend the United States Constitution. The pro-life community has its first opportunity to lay part of the groundwork for a human life amendment in November, 1974. In order to pass such an amendment, we need pro-life people in our law-making bodies. Following are some suggestions to help you personally effect the outcome of elections in your area.

1. You and each eligible member of your family must register and vote.
2. You must also passionately encourage neighbors, friends, relatives, club and committee members - anyone who does or should agree with you - to register and vote.
3. Get an evaluation of candidates from your area by contacting your local or state pro-life organization. Find out which candidates to support and recommend to others.
4. You must understand, and be able to explain to others, that the right to life is so fundamental to our political process that it justifies - indeed, that it demands - that you evaluate candidates on this issue alone.
5. You should seek good counsel from state or local pro-life leaders as to whether it is wise to push one of several candidates as the pro-life candidate.
6. If there is any doubt at this late date, you can work with your local or state pro-life group to clarify the candidates' stands on pro-life issues by direct questioning of the candidates themselves, or of their campaign managers. Get solid answers. Don't settle for vagueries.
7. Ask your club, neighborhood or church groups, or your public library, to provide a forum in which the candidates can meet a significant sampling of their constituents or discuss their positions on issues. Offer to help with the arrangements.
8. Do whatever you can to show the pro-life candidates and their position to advantage, and the pro-abortion or neutral candidates and their position to disadvantage in letters to the editor, in questions to the candidates at public meetings, and so forth.
9. Be alert for announcements of meetings and debates in the media, and pass such information on to every available voter. Also, watch the letters-to-the-editor, and editorials in your local papers which can provide an opportunity for gaining valuable exposure for your candidate through a well-written response.



10. Help make all citizens of your area sensitive to pro-life issues and the need for a human life amendment by bringing the subject up for discussion in letters to the editor, in conversations with friends, your minister, and your doctor. Have the topic placed on the agendas of community clubs, church groups, and any other civic organizations to which you or your friends have access.
11. Go to the campaign headquarters of a pro-life candidate and volunteer to stuff envelopes, make telephone calls, or do other needed chores.
12. Learn the name of your precinct chairman, or local political party leader from the election commission, your party headquarters, or your local newspaper. Approach him or her by phone or in person, and explain that you are interested in working for the success of pro-life candidates, and that you would like to personally volunteer wherever needed to help such candidates.
13. Offer to recruit your friends and club or church contacts to work, or offer to take work home to your family, friends or club.
14. Offer to host a spaghetti dinner or cocktail party as a fundraiser, or to recruit teenagers to wash cars. All candidates need fundraisers, so use your imagination.
15. Be willing to knock on doors and distribute information pamphlets.
16. Offer to organize a telephone campaign covering every house in your area.
17. Offer to distribute bumper stickers in your club, or in your church parking lot.
18. Telephone everyone in your church or club who is likely to be pro-life, and remind each one to register to vote. You might also inform them of your interest in the success of pro-life candidates at the polls, and of the positions the various candidates take on pro-life issues.
19. Seek out voters who need absentee ballots, or who need assistance in getting to the polls on election day, and provide for their needs.
20. Help get out the vote on election day by providing or organizing transportation to the polls, by providing a child care facility, or by arranging for election-day public address announcements in local stores, shopping centers, and places of work. You may even intensively telephone on the eve of the election.

These suggestions will bear many different types of fruit. There will be the immediate result of greatly improving your candidate's chances in the election, of course. Also, by your presence and activity, you will become a vital part of your party's campaign, and your views will take on increasing significance. Your candidate will get to know you personally, and will value

your suggestions and opinions much more highly. The party leaders will also recognize the service you have done in bringing new recruits to the team, and although they may not agree with your stand entirely, they cannot ignore your contribution to their success.

For these reasons, it is vital to stay with the system. DON'T DISAPPEAR BETWEEN ELECTIONS! The best way to make yourself influential is to make yourself indispensable. Learn the party system, and get acquainted with the leaders. Let people know why you and your friends are around, and that you intend to work indefatigably for those ends. Party leaders have much greater respect for those who show consistent dedication than for people who show up every two years carrying a club.

One vital thing to remember is that you are going to make an impact whether your candidate wins or loses. You and your fellow workers will have had the opportunity to educate many previously untouched people. You will have laid the foundation for future pro-life working teams and cooperative efforts. You will have proven to party regulars that pro-life support is worth having. You will have made an impression that may cause even your opposition to re-think its position.

One final thought, and perhaps the most fundamental, is that all of these tips are 100% useless unless YOU put them into action. To be personally effective, you must take the lead and make things happen. You can't wait for someone to call you, knock on your door, or arrange a forum at which you can get your information. When you step in and assume the leadership role you will begin to direct the course of history.





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**APPLICATION FOR ACCL AREA
REPRESENTATIVE STATUS**

Purpose for ACCL Area Representatives: to give ACCL good local and state representation and communication.

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Some beginning specifications for ACCL Area Representatives:

- representative must be an active member of the ACCL Advisory Committee.
- representative must be actively involved in existing local and state prolife groups.
- representative must be part of an ACCL "Large Cluster" (representing the equivalent of at least ten (10) ACCL "shares").

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ (home) _____ (office)

Who you expect to represent ACCL to: _____

Number of "shares" held by your cluster, and names of some "shareholders".





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ACCL TELEX SYSTEMS

Background for the ACCL Telex Systems: Before the ACCL Telex Systems, all prolife national alerts depended on mailing, publishing or "telephone chains". All three systems are cumbersome, expensive, and relatively slow compared to the ACCL telex system. Mailed communications may take three to four days to arrive; published information may be updated only every three or four weeks; telephone trees tend to be inaccurate and to break down. Communications between large area or state groups are similarly inconvenient and haphazard.

Purpose of the ACCL Telex Systems: To establish almost instant communication between large area or state groups, and to enable national alerts to penetrate well down into prolife ranks in less than 24 hours, with no loss in accuracy.

Information about the ACCL Telex Systems:

- they use Telex-WestemUnion hookups from the ACCL offices.
- every individual or group of individuals who have an accumulated total of ten ACCL "shares" (\$100.00 worth) are placed on the ACCL overnight mail-gram alert system as a complimentary service.
- every large area or state group whose members have bought five hundred ACCL "shares" (\$5000.00 worth) can have a telex machine installed in their office at ACCL's expense, and they will receive a complimentary communication service from ACCL. They may use the machine for their own internal communication functions, to communicate with other state groups and are responsible for all monthly and usage charges.





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Do you intend to promote ACCL shares in your area?

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What kind of help do you need from ACCL?



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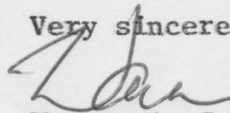
I hope by now you have had a chance to review the proposed **ACCL plans.** Don't forget to write us about any criticisms or suggestions you would like to offer, since we are preparing to **reduce our first materials to final form.**

We are getting the kind of attention and support we need (see enclosure) and even before we ask, several groups in different parts of the country report that they are starting us off with gifts of \$100.00. More and more people are realizing that **ACCL is designed to work in an area which no other national group has touched -- building and strengthening local and state organizations.** We have encouraging letters from places you wouldn't believe!! One gentleman called long distance and asked for application forms for the Advisory Committee and Area Contact status, and he mailed a check after having heard about us only by word of mouth. He is working to develop a first prolife group in his state, and he thinks we are just what he needs.

We are ready now to put out our first test mailings to specially prepared and selected areas in different states. Obviously a systematic fund-raising program is essential. In this we have begun with ourselves and with you. If you understand the part we are preparing to play in strengthening the whole movement, it is now time for you and me to invest personally in the organization, and to see that groups we are related to also do so. It will be a great help to have "pilot groups" in different parts of the country demonstrate how the ACCL plan can benefit local prolife individuals and organizations.

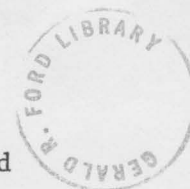
If, after having reviewed our ideas, you do not think you personally can support ACCL in this way, please tell us now, and help us locate someone else to be an area contact person in your region.

Very sincerely,


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Enclosures

P. S. You should have received a sample ACCL Telex Hotline alert on the 12th. If you did not, please let me know.





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ACCL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

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Background: The prolife movement is not equally strong throughout the fifty states.

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Purpose of ACCL Development Grants: To distribute prolife money, leadership and experience to benefit areas of the country where the prolife movement is relatively undeveloped. (Money will also be made available for worthwhile projects in the relatively advanced states).

Information about the ACCL Development Grants:

- 25% of the money invested in ACCL on a "share" basis will be returned to the states to fund worthwhile projects.
- the priorities for these grants will be established by the ACCL board.
- the priorities will be announced 45 days before the end of the quarter - the first "quarter" ending December 31, 1974.
- applications must be received 15 days before the end of the quarter, and grants will be awarded within 45 days of the end of the quarter.
- application forms and information about the priorities for the current quarter may be requested from either ACCL office after November 15, 1974.
- anyone may apply.





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Purpose of the ACCL Congressional Office Reports: To establish the best possible working relationship between prolife constituents and prolife groups and the national staff of their Congressmen and Senators.

Information about the ACCL Congressional Office Reports: A report on the national office staff of a given Congressman will be prepared for any individual or group from that Congressional district who has at least five ACCL "shares" (\$50.00 worth), and who send a completed ACCL Congressional Office Report request form to either ACCL office.

-- a report on the national office staff of the two State Senators will be prepared for any group of people in the state who have at least twenty-five ACCL "shares" (\$250.00 worth), and who send a completed ACCL Congressional Office Report request form to either ACCL office



N.B. The Congressional Office Reports will be completed within sixty days of receipt of the application form.

-- the report will contain the names and functions of the members of the member's national office staff (and special telephone numbers), information about the member's position (and the aide's position) on prolife issues - plus constructive suggestions on how local people can increase their influence with the member and his staff.



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CONGRESSIONAL OFFICE REPORT
REQUEST FORM

(Please fill out a separate form for each Representative or Senator)

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I. Name of Congressman or Senator:

II. Person who is to receive report:

Name _____

Address _____

Telephone (o) _____ (h) _____

III. Name of Group or names of individuals for whom above person is receiving report:

IV. Number of "shares" owned: _____

V. Name (s) of staff people already contacted in office:



VI. Summary of previous known relationship of prolife people with member's national staff: _____

VII. The present position of member, as understood by back-home prolife people:

VIII. How do you know this is the member's position?

IX. Attach copy of significant letters or articles from the member or about the member and his/her abortion stand.

X. What you most want accomplished by this contact by the ACCL representative: _____





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ACCL "PYRAMID PLAN" OF LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
(Preliminary Sketch)

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Background: There are many different philosophies on how to win a Constitutional amendment. These cause confusion and ineffectiveness in the national prolife movement.

Purpose of the ACCL "Pyramid Plan" of Leadership Development: To develop uniform, consistent, high quality national prolife leadership committed to a widely accepted plan and methodology.

Preliminary notes on the Plan:

- There probably always will be different ideas about how to enact a Constitutional Amendment; however, the whole movement will benefit from the participation of many leaders in a disciplined plan development project, and organized preparation and training to make that plan work.
- The "curriculum" will involve both "theoretics" (what we are trying to do and why we do them our way) and "practics" (how we do things).
- The "curriculum" will include borrowing from the discipline of Organization Development (Beckhard, Bennis and others), and from Community Organization (Alinsby and others); from the experience of some of the best prolife state groups; from the original analysis and planning of many excellent Washington, D.C. sources, and from the comments and criticisms of the ACCL Advisory Committee, et cetera.
- The "curriculum" will be taught by correspondence with "students", and by a series of graduated training sessions (hence the name "Pyramid Plan").
- "Students" will participate in the preparation of the "curriculum" at the same time as they are learning, and thus will be able to leave something of themselves in the course to benefit those who follow.



- The "curriculum" will be compatible with the ACCL Comprehensive "Overall Plan", the ACCL "Axioms of Effective Political Action" and the ACCL "Specifications for an Ultimate State Pro-life Organization" which are being designed by the ACCL Board with the advice of its Advisory Committee.
- the "Overall Plan" sets out the conditions which, in our opinion, must be met by the prolife movement before a Constitutional Amendment will be passed by Congress and ratified.
- the "Axioms" of political action delineate the most effective ways the prolife movement can work in the public sphere.
- the "Specifications" set out the characteristics of state organizations which are able to succeed in their legislatures, hold their own with the media, and gain the support of the public in their states.

