

Partial-Birth Abortion Stands Trial

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Note from Pastor Kevin: This article is not for the faint of heart. It deeply sickened me to read this transcript of abortion Doctors talking about what they do to kill babies in the womb.

In the first murder where Cain killed his brother Abel, God said that the blood of Abel was crying out to Him from the ground (Genesis 4:10). In Numbers 35:33, God says that the shedding of innocent blood "defiles the land." Imagine how loud the blood of millions of babies is crying out to God, also consider the spiritual ecological disaster as we have defiled the land.

This defilement resulted in the judgment of the nation of Israel during the prophet Ezekiel's day:

Ezek 16:20-22 "Moreover you took your sons and your daughters, whom you bore to Me, and these you sacrificed to them (**idols of sexual pleasure**) to be devoured. Were your acts of harlotry a small matter, "that you have slain My children and offered them up to them by causing them to pass through the fire? "And in all your abominations and acts of harlotry you did not remember the days of your youth, when you were naked and bare, struggling in your blood. (NKJ)

The incredible good news is that Jesus came to die for the sins of the world. He can forgive even the vilest offender, including the abortionist who has killed thousands or the mother who gives up her child to the knife of the abortionist. This forgiveness can only come by agreeing with God that it is sin and to repent and turn to Jesus as your savior. Ask Him to forgive you and give your life to Him in humble prayer. If you do, the scars will remain, but the reality of His forgiveness will bring joy to your soul.

I wrote an e-mail to one of these doctors that I have included at the end of this handout.

On November 5, President Bush signed a law banning partial-birth abortion.

Immediately, Planned Parenthood, the National Abortion Federation, and local abortionists filed suit against the law in California, Nebraska and New

York. Federal courts heard testimony in these cases.

The establishment media ignored the truth that emerged: the undeniable humanity of the babies, the brutality of the killings.

Here are telling excerpts from the testimony in these cases.

Seeing the Heart Beat

Question: And when you begin the evacuation, is the fetus ever alive?

Answer: Yes.

Question: How do you know that?

Answer: Because I do many of my procedures especially at 16 weeks under an ultrasound guidance, so I will see a heartbeat.

Question: Do you pay attention to that while you are doing the abortion?

Answer: Not particularly. I just notice sometimes.

*Testimony of Dr. Maureen Paul
Planned Parenthood v. Ashcroft (California)
March 29, 2004*

Babies Born Alive

Answer: . . . And, so, initially we were giving Digoxin two days before D&E.

Question: And did you ever change that procedure, that time schedule?

Answer: We did. What started happening was we had an unfortunate number of women who were spontaneously going into labor and delivering at hospitals sort of all over the Bay Area, and it was distressing to everyone.

*Testimony of Dr. Eleanor Drey
Planned Parenthood v. Ashcroft (California)
March 29, 2004*

Question: And when during induction does fetal demise occur; do you know?

Answer: I don't know. It really depends on gestational age, and sometimes the fetus is born alive.

Testimony of Dr. 'Doe' (a pseudonym)

Planned Parenthood v. Ashcroft (California)
April 1, 2004

Saving Face

Question: Doctor, you testified earlier that sometimes parents want an intact fetus for blessing or burial. Have you ever had the parent express that desire where you had compressed the head of the fetus to complete the delivery?

Answer: Yes.

Question: Was anything done in those instances, doctor, to improve the appearance of the fetus' head after decompression?

Answer: Yes.

Question: What was done?

Answer: The fetus was--just like a newborn--it was dressed and kind of had a little hat placed on it so that only the face was visible. . . .

Question: You have seen the fetus's legs move before crushing the head, haven't you?

Answer: I have seen that before compressing/decompressing the head.

Testimony of Dr. Fredrik Broekhuizen
Planned Parenthood v. Ashcroft (California)
April 5, 2004

Death is the Objective

Question: Because if the fetus were close to 24 weeks, and you were performing a transvaginal surgical abortion you would be concerned about delivering the fetus entirely intact because that might result in a live baby that may survive, correct?

Answer: You said I was performing an abortion, so since the objective of the abortion is to not have a live fetus, then that would be correct.

Question: In your opinion, if you were performing a surgical abortion at 23 or 24 weeks and the cervix was so dilated that the head could pass without compression, you would do whatever you needed to do in order to make sure that the live baby was not delivered, wouldn't you?

Answer: Whatever I needed, meaning whatever surgical procedures I needed to do as part of the procedure? Yes. Then, the answer would be: Yes.

Question: And one step you would take to avoid delivery of a live baby would be to deliver or hold the fetus's head on the internal side of the cervical "os" in order to collapse the skull; is that right?

Answer: Yes, because the objective of my procedure is to perform an abortion.

Question: And that would ensure that you did not deliver a live baby?

Answer: Correct.

*Testimony of Dr. Mitchell Creinin
Planned Parenthood v. Ashcroft (California)
April 6, 2004*

Small Coffins

Answer: Because it is the back of the skull that collapsed, since this is not disfiguring, and the face, for instance, is intact. Several of my patients have wished to hold the fetus after the procedure and have expressed gratitude that they were able to do so. . . . We have arrangements to permit burial of the fetus if the patients want. . . . Because the hospital also has small coffins present, both for stillbirths or for fetuses after a termination, and in the case of our D&E patients we actually have little hats available so we could in fact cover the back of the head where the incision had been made.

*Testimony of Dr. Carolyn Westhoff
National Abortion Federation, et. al. v. Ashcroft (New York)
April 2, 2004*

Warmers, Wraps and Mothers' Arms

Question: What do you do under those circumstances when you have delivered a fetus that is alive in the course of an induction termination?

Answer: The very first thing we do is to assess the viability of the fetus. By that, we perform a very rapid assessment of whether we think this fetus is of the gestational age where resuscitation is appropriate. If there is any question of in our minds we have a full--excuse me--a 24-hour in-house [neonatologist] whom we contact who does an immediate assessment and then would perform whatever resuscitative measures are necessary on behalf of the baby. Assuming, since we usually have very, very good data about gestational age and know that these are nonviable fetuses, assuming that that is not the case, we would then provide comfort and care to the baby. By that, we would place the baby under a radiant warmer to keep the baby warm. We might wrap the baby. Then depending on what the mother wishes to do, allow the mother to hold the baby at this point and simply [wait] for nature

to take its course

Answer: I'm sorry, can I just--you said after induction abortion in the second trimester? Am I correct?

Question: Yes. Doctor.

Answer: Yes, I have.

Question: And you have observed signs of life in the fetus, didn't you?

Answer: That is correct.

Question: You have seen spontaneous respiratory activity, right?

Answer: Yes.

Question: Heartbeat?

Answer: Yes.

Question: Spontaneous movements?

Answer: Yes.

*Testimony of Dr. Cassing Hammond
National Abortion Federation, et. al. v. Ashcroft (New York)
April 2, 2004*

Details Not Relevant

Question: Do you tell her [the mother] that you are going to then, ultimately, suck the brain out of the skull?

Answer: In all of our D&Es the head is collapsed or crushed and the brains are definitely out of the skull but those are--

Question: Do you tell them that?

Answer: Those are details that would be distressing to my patients and would not--information about that is not directly relevant to their safety.

*Testimony of Dr. Carolyn Westhoff
National Abortion Federation, et. al. v. Ashcroft (New York)
April 2, 2004*

Pastor Kevin's e-mail to Dr. Carolyn Westhoff:

----- Original Message -----

From: [kevin Lea](#)

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Cc: [Kevin Lea](#)

Sent: Thursday, May 27, 2004 2:49 PM

Subject: from Kevin Lea

Dear Dr Carolyn,

I just read some of your testimony about the abortions you perform and felt compelled to plead with you to seek the mercy and grace of God by repenting of your murders and asking God's forgiveness through Jesus Christ.

God's love is an amazing thing. It CAN be extended even to a mass murderer like you (if you ask for it on His terms).

Rom 5:7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. [if you repent and believe in Jesus as your savior]

Equally amazing is His justice that will be meted out to those who refuse to repent.

Rev 21:8 "But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

Rev 22:14 Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.
15 But outside are dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and whoever loves and practices a lie.

Please ponder these verses and ask yourself whether the money you get in killing people's babies for them is worth the eternal damnation of your soul.

Sincerely,

Kevin Lea