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Smithers Crisis
Pregnancy Care Center

🕒 Tuesday 10 -1:00 or
by appt. 250-847-2475

🌐 Website:
smitherspregnancy.com

☎ 24hr Helpline:
1-877-88-WOMAN

🌐 Crisis Website:
www.onlinecare.ca

Free, non-judgmental support:

- Pregnancy Tests
- Pregnancy Choices Lay Counselling
- Post Abortion Lay Counselling
- Sexual Education
- Community Referrals

you don't have to go
through this **alone**

Movie Night

Date: Friday, March 20.
(NOT MARCH 13 ANYMORE)

Time: 7:30 pm

Place: Smithers CRChurch
4035 Walnut Dr.

Cost: \$5.00 per person covers rent

**Great character is some-
times forged
amid great turmoil.**

Sabina: Tortured for Christ, the Nazi Years is the story of how God's love transformed an ambitious, worldly atheist into one of the greatest Christian women of the 20th century. The film opens with Sabina Wurmbrand risking her life to show Christ's love to three Nazi soldiers. Why would a Christian from a Jewish background risk her life to help her enemies — members of the army that killed her entire family? Experience a true story of biblical love and forgiveness that has inspired millions around the world. **PG-13**



Smithers Pro-life AGM and Dessert Auction

Guest Speaker: Elizabeth Sutcliffe

Grace Has a Name – A postabortive testimony of mercy and healing Elizabeth Sutcliffe is a Catholic speaker, author, and pro-life advocate whose testimony has reached thousands across Canada and the United States. She serves as the British Columbia Regional Coordinator for the Silent No More Awareness Campaign, amplifying the voices of post-abortive women and men.

Date: Friday, April 10. Doors open at 6:00, dinner 6:30.

Place: Canadian Reformed Church. **Tickets:** \$25.00 at Cheeky's Consignment or on Tuesday 10:00 to 1:00 at the Care Center



Elizabeth's follow-up talk: *When the Enemy Strikes* –Understanding spiritual warfare in the fight for life Saturday April 11 at 10:00am at the E-Free church with coffee and a time for Q&A (NO COST)

“Erasing birth mothers”

Happy post-surrogacy photos can't disguise what has been taken from the children.

by [Carl R. Trueman](#)

Post Date:

January 29, 2026 WORLD MAGAZINE

Pop star Meghan Trainor and her husband recently announced that they have had a baby via a surrogate mother. They already have two sons, born naturally, but opted for the surrogate option because of Trainor's struggles after pregnancy and natural birth.

Any new birth should be a source of joy.. But awkward questions lurk just below the surface. The photograph of Trainor in what appears to be a hospital bed holding the child who still seems wet with the birth process is strange. Trainor did not give birth to the child, so why pose for a picture as if she had? And who is absent? The birth mother, she who carried the child for nine months. She has been erased.

When a young couple wants to have children, they desire a good thing. **But does the desire justify the use of all the means possible?** Surrogacy denies the importance of the relationship of gestation and renders irrelevant the physical connection between mother and child. But that relationship and that

connection exist in reality, and they cannot be denied with impunity. Perhaps those faked hospital photographs are an acknowledgment of the importance of that physical connection.

One obvious riposte is that adoption does the same thing. But it doesn't. **Adoption provides a substitute for someone—the physical parent—who should be there but is for some reason absent.** It does not at its core offer the same philosophy of parenthood as surrogacy does.

Surrogacy sees children as commodities, as things one can buy to order, and mothers as the machines that deliver the goods. These patterns of thinking are already established in our culture through the impact of no-fault divorce and the legal ramifications of In Vitro Fertilization and same-sex unions. Surrogacy is both consistent with, and an intensification of, these trends.

None of this is intended to derogate from the evident joy of the Trainors, let alone deny that they will love this beautiful child. But it is to make the point that the satisfaction of legitimate personal desires has public, social, and cultural implications. Our therapeutic world sees happiness as an imperative, so long as nobody else is hurt. **I suspect that, in the long run, surrogacy will hurt not just children and mothers. In its dehumanizing impact, it will hurt us all.** Christians need to grasp that point, especially in the area of fertility.

Burying the Babies; How the Media Covers for the Abortion Industry

by Jonathon Van Maren

stream press bent over backward to avoid discussing the details, which include a little boy buried in his mother's backyard. The old media adage "if it bleeds, it leads" is still true – unless we are talking about abortion. The **Guardian reported that she buried "the remains of her pregnancy"** on her property. They noted that the police had "described the fetus as 'developed'" all the while carefully **omitting the police report's actual phraseology – that she "took the medication which resulted in the death of a developed male infant."** *The Guardian buried the little boy's poisoned corpse under a careful cover of camouflaged language.*

Every so often, there is a story that even the press cannot ignore. The story of a 35-year-old Kentucky woman, Melinda Spencer, **who was charged with fetal homicide and abuse of a corpse after killing her pre-born son with abortion pills** and burying his body "in a shallow grave" on her property, is one such story. The fetal homicide charge has since been dropped. Even in this case, the main-

As a step towards closure, any woman whose baby died pre-born, may request a brass plaque from the Care Center that will be engraved and attached to The Memorial in the Smithers Cemetery. wecaretoo@telus.net

This is also available for those who have experienced healing and forgiveness after an abortion.



HELP for postabortive hurt:
heartstorestoredhoperenewed@gmail.com

Legacy Gifts

After you have remembered your loved ones, please consider including Smithers Pro-Life in your will.

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CALENDAR

January

-Sanctity of Human Life Day

February

-Last call for Memberships

March / April

-Movie Night

-March 8: Women's Day

-AGM/dessert fundraiser

May

-March For Life (Ottawa)

-Mother's Day

June

-Euthanasia legal 2016

-Garage Sale

-Planning for next year

July/August

-Fall Fair Parade float?

September

-Walk for Life

October

-Breast Cancer awareness

-Oct 15 Infant Loss Day

November

-Educational movie night

-Membership drive

December

-Fundraiser: Bake Sale

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