CHESTER COUNTY
ConnectCare

prayer guide

Hablamos Español

SERVING CHESTER COUNTY SINCE 1985

COATESVILLE: 1028 E. LINCOLN HWY.
WEST CHESTER: 139 W. MARKET ST.
KENNETT SQUARE: 203 S. WALNUT ST.

CCCONNECTCAREINFO.ORG 610.383.0930 CCCONNECTCARE

1. Pray for an end to abortion.
Since the Roe v. Wade decision, more than 60 million unborn babies have been aborted in the United States. Although abortion rates have trended downward over the past few years, nearly 600,000 babies are killed in the womb annually. Pray for hearts and minds to change concerning abortion. Pray also that abortion would end not only in America but also in every nation around the world.

Psalm 139:15-16 – "My frame was not hidden from you when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. You saw my unformed substance; in your book were written every one of them, the days that were formed for me when as yet there was none of them."

Jeremiah 1:5 – "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Proverbs 6:16-17 – "There are six things that the Lord hates, seven that are an abomination to him…hands that shed innocent blood."

2. Pray for mothers.
Pray that women facing unexpected or unwanted pregnancies would learn the truth about abortion and receive the resources and encouragement they need to choose life. Pray that their children's fathers wouldn't abandon them. Pray that these women would receive God honoring counsel and support through pregnancy resource centers, churches, and caring families. Pray that those who have lost children to abortion would experience physical, emotional, and spiritual healing.

Acts 3:19 – "Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out."

Isaiah 41:10 – "Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

3. Pray for fathers.
Tragically, many fathers facing unplanned or unwanted pregnancies abandon their families or encourage the mother to abort the child. Pray that men would choose life for their unborn children and take responsibility for them. Pray that men would support their children's mothers. Pray that men would receive good counsel and support and find godly mentors.

Psalm 127:3-5 – "Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. How joyful is the man whose quiver is full of them! He will not be put to shame when he confronts his accusers at the city gates."

Isaiah 40: 31 – "But they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint."

4. Pray for parents of daughters in unexpected pregnancy situations.
Responding graciously to an unexpected pregnancy in the family can be challenging, even in loving families where parents want the best for their children. The fear of being judged or ostracized by family members can contribute to a woman's decision to get an abortion. Pray that parents would navigate these situations wisely and counsel, support, and love their daughters well. Pray that parents would encourage their daughters to choose life. Pray that families facing unplanned pregnancies would be strengthened rather than weakened.

Galatians 6:1-2 – "Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."

1 Thessalonians 5:11 – "Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing."

5. Pray for abortion doctors, nurses, and all those who work at Planned Parenthood and other abortion facilities.
Thousands of people work in the abortion industry. These doctors, nurses, and technicians are not enemies; they are people in need of redemption and prayers. Pray that those working in the abortion industry would have ears to hear the truth about abortion and eyes to see the human dignity of the unborn. Pray for repentance and spiritual healing. Pray that abortion facilities would close and that the lies of the abortion industry would be exposed.

Acts 26:18 – "To open their eyes, so that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me."

Ezekiel 33:11 – "Say to them, As I live, declares the Lord GOD, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?"

6. Pray for those who counsel individuals considering or affected by abortion.
Pray that counselors would have wisdom, compassion, and empathy when speaking with women considering abortion or recovering from the trauma of having an abortion. Pray that they would have opportunities to share the gospel with their clients and be filled with the Holy Spirit. Pray that their clients would hunger to know God and be receptive to the gospel. Pray for the safety of sidewalk counselors who stand outside abortion clinics to pray and talk with women.

1 Thessalonians 5:14 – "And we urge you, brothers, admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with them all."

Colossians 4:5-6 – "Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person."

7. Pray for pro-life organizations & ministries.
Many are actively working to end abortion and help those affected by it. Some of these groups advance pro-life legislation, others provide services to expectant mothers, and still others work to elect pro-life leaders. There are also student groups seeking to counter the lies peddled by the abortion industry on their campuses. Pray that all of these organizations would have wisdom as they seek to create a culture of life and work toward the day when abortion is morally unthinkable. Pray that their efforts would be successful.

Galatians 6:9 – "And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we don't give up."

Ephesians 5:11 – "Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them."

8. Pray for our federal, state, and local government leaders.
Pray that there would be more pro-life individuals in positions of leadership in our government and that leaders would lead with integrity as they legislate and work toward creating a more just society.

Proverbs 10:9 – "Whoever walks in integrity walks securely, but he who makes his ways crooked will be found out."

Psalm 75:6-7 – "For not from the east or from the west and not from the wilderness comes lifting up, but it is God who executes judgment, putting down one and lifting up another."

9. Pray for our nation.
Many Americans are ignorant of the horrific nature of abortion and the morally harmful effect it has on our nation, while others suppress the truth about abortion. Pray that our nation would come to recognize its complicity in this sin and repent. Pray that God would be great in mercy and forgive us.

Psalm 34:14 – "Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it."

1 John 1:9 – "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

10. Pray for the church.
Pray that pastors would equip their congregations to think biblically about abortion and it being a sin, and that redemption is possible for those who have had an abortion or have participated in the abortion industry. Pray that that Christians would stand courageously for the unborn. Pray that churches would consider partnering with crisis pregnancy centers and other pro-life organizations in their communities.

Proverbs 31:8-9 – "Open your mouth for the mute, for the rights of all who are destitute. Open your mouth, judge righteously, defend the rights of the poor and needy."

James 4:17 – "So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin."

TEXT FROM: CENTER FOR BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW