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Newsletter of the Right to Life Association Western Australia

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16 page bumper issue!

Babies really are born alive after failed abortions in WA



As if you didn't already know…

Readers may recall prior to the recent Western Australian state election that Labor politicians were quoted as saying that babies were never born alive after a failed abortion, let alone left to die. Sanderson was one such Minister. She argued that there was no such concept as a failed abortion. Admittedly it was difficult to interpret what she was saying. Perhaps she was being deliberately misleading. After all, an election was looming.

Mind you, they have been denying for years and years. This author can recall a WA politician stating – after a query on this topic from Nick Goiran MLC a few years ago: '… the mother wanted a dead baby, we are going to give her a dead baby'.

Federal politicians were also being deliberately misleading, or flatly denying, or not answering, on the topic of children born alive after a failed abortion and being left to die prior to their recent election.

So much for the politicians who govern our lives.

But earlier this year Australian Christians Leader, Maryka Groenewald MLC, put a question on notice to the Labor Government on this topic.

She finally got a response and released a media statement circa 8th August 2025:

● Since December 2021, at least eight babies were born alive during abortion procedures and left to die. Groenewald used the phrase 'at least' because the Government's abortion laws mean these cases are no longer reported to the coroner

● The Government has deliberately stopped collecting data on live births during abortion procedures, meaning when a baby is born alive and left to die, the public will never know. This is not just a bureaucratic oversight; it is a calculated decision to conceal the consequences of WA's radical abortion agenda

- Since 1998, 39 babies have survived abortion attempts, only to be left without life-saving or even palliative care
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Other relevant statistics provided by Maryka include:

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- In 2024 alone, 25 abortions were performed on girls under the age of 15 in WA, and in that same year 781 abortions were performed on girls aged 15 to 19
- Since 1998, 1,149 babies were aborted following a Down syndrome diagnosis, which is an average of 44 babies with Down syndrome killed in the womb every year,

Groenewald stated "Killing babies because they have Down syndrome is eugenics, and it should horrify every decent person in Western Australia

Maryka said she was heartbroken by what these numbers reveal. She said her resolve to speak for the unborn and defend the dignity of every human life has never been stronger

The Right to Life Association of WA could not be more pleased to have such a champion for life in the upper house of WA Parliament. She joins Phil Twiss, Michelle Hoffmann, Nick Goiran and others in that Parliament with the same determination to defend life. May we soon have many more such champions in our government.

New bumper sticker stocks have arrived!

We now have seven varieties of bumper sticker. And the new ones have more UV resistance so should last up to three-years. The seventh one, as promised, is 'Unborn Lives Matter'. Stickers cost us $7 each. Contact the office for yours.





Left: At the Governor's Prayer Breakfast

Right: John cooks for our street programme

Below Left and right:

RTLAWA were guest speakers at two Australian Christians Party (South branch) events





Are you a witness to babies being born alive and then left to die after a so-called 'failed' abortion?

If you are a medical person – perhaps a nurse or a doctor – and you have witnessed a baby being born alive and left to die after a failed abortion in Western Australia, please contact the Right to Life Association of Western Australia.

We need your help in fighting for these children so please consider contacting us so that we can record your story. We need to take your name but your testimony can be anonymous.

The rights of these children are being taken away. In most states they are not given a birth certificate and they are not given a death certificate. In fact their existence is not recorded at all, which is a deliberate attempt to make it hard for pro-life Christian groups to fight for them. These babies are left alone to die, naked and alone and without any medical help, warmth or comfort in a procedure that can take hours. These children can be perfectly healthy and would survive to lead healthy lives if they were given even basic aid.

In most states medical staff who do assist these babies can be prosecuted.

Pro-death advocates argue babies are never born alive after abortions. They say that the children are injected with Potassium Chloride directly into their hearts to make sure they are dead before they are ejected from their mother's body. We know that many late term abortions do happen this way but we know that children can also be born alive.

Will you help us bear witness to this terrible practice? Will you stand up for these children?

Please contact Steve Klomp on 0417184789 or contact the office on 92217117. You can come to us or we can visit you. You can also email steve@righttolifewa.co. Please indicate if you would prefer to speak to a female counsellor. God bless and thank you.

Our account for the Babies Fighting Fund

If you would like to donate towards our Babies Fighting Fund (or if you want to help us with our plans for a storage facility, or if you are keen to help us invest in the media industry) you are welcome to deposit directly into this account:

Bank:	**Bendigo Bank North Perth**
Account name:	**RTLAWA Building and Investment Account**
BSB	**633000**
Account number	**218422558**

Please use the reference line to state the purpose of your donation


RUN/WALK
FOR LIFE
Right to Life Association of WA
Stand up for life
1ST NOVEMBER
9:30AM-4PM, LAKE MONGER
ALL AGES AND ABILITIES
Register at rightolifewa.co
$40ea + sausage sizzle included
T-shirts available for purchase online
Families welcome
Proceeds go to the Right to Life Association
of WA and St Annes Church belmont

Goldfields trip #2 a big success

The Right to Life Association of WA recently made a second trip to the Goldfields. This time we went to Merredin and Kellerberrin and attended all Catholic masses there as well as installing 'Sanctity of Human Life' plaques. The trip was an eye-opener for some parishioners. More trips are planned so that we cover all Christian churches in the region. Our sincere thanks to Father Philip Perreau who facilitated the visit and provided transport between churches.



Clockwise from top right:

Parishioners from Saturday Mass at Merredin

Part of the Merredin 10.30AM congregaton

Some of the Kellerberrin Church crowd





Women's personal hygiene packs always available at the office

Pope Leo says that pro-lifers must be against the death penalty



Pope Leo XIV stated recently that if a person is truly pro-life then he or she must also be against the death penalty. Some pro-lifers don't agree, arguing that the criminal had choices that others, such as children in the womb, do not and in any case the alternative of keeping a prisoner for life costs society a lot of money and does not advantage anyone. However the Right to Life Association of WA believes Pope Leo is right. Defending life should never be about money, choice or convenience to society. Faith itself is usually inconvenient!

RIGHT TO LIFE ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Defending life from conception to its natural end

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2025
6.30PM

All members are invited to the Annual General Meeting of the

Right to Life Association of Western Australia

Venue 138 Bennett Street East Perth

If attending online please call the office to register

RSVP is essential by TUESDAY 18th November!

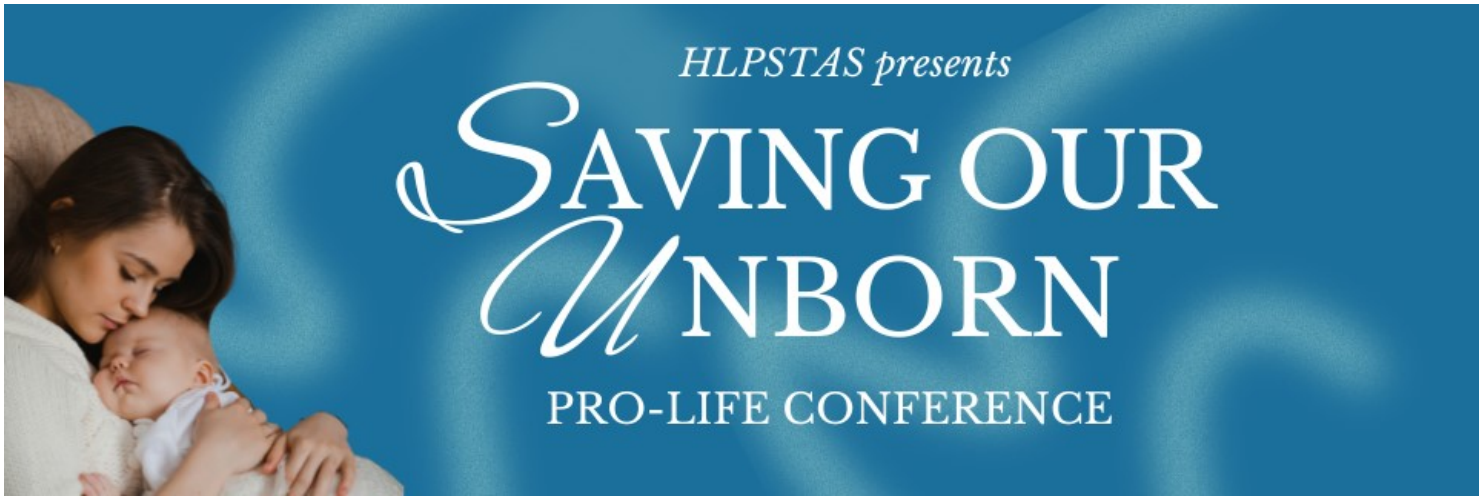
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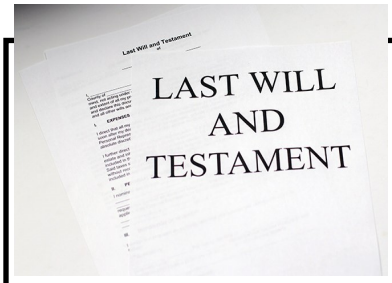
REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED—BUT PLEASE BRING A PLATE!

AGENDA ITEMS INVITED BY 5PM TUESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

Off to Tasmania

The Human Life Protection Society is hosting their Saving the Unborn conference in Hobart on Saturday October 25th. Steve Klomp and Anouska Firth are both guest speakers for the event. Thanks to two very generous members we will be able to learn, network and influence at this wonderful gathering. Other speakers include Michelle Pearse from Australian Christian Lobby and Paul Hanrahan from Family Life International.





Have you made your will?

It is certainly sobering to contemplate our own death. And it is very easy to delay making any arrangements ahead of time! But a will is a very important document and should be attended to as soon as possible. You need to get these sort of things done so you can spend your last days close to God.

We have made arrangements with a lawyer to provide our members with a will at **half the usual rate.** Brilliant—so don't delay! Contact the office as soon as you can.

And when making your will we ask that, after providing for your family, you consider bequeathing something to the Right to Life Association of WA

International Right to Life Federation meeting

Would you like to join us in the next virtual meeting of the International Right to Life Federation?

It's scheduled for **Thursday 23rd October 2025 at 8PM** (Perth time). Give the office a call!

The Right to Life Association of WA holds a position on the board of the International Right to Life Federation. It is all part of our efforts to unite the Christian pro-life movement. You can read more about the work of the IRTLF at https://www.internationalrighttolife.org/.

INTERNATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE FEDERATION



The Right to Life Association of WA

invites all members and guests to our

ANNUAL DINNER

Saturday 18th October 2025

(a week earlier than last year!)

6PM for 6.30 start

Tickets are $85 per person for a three-course meal, entertainment & free entry in our door prize

Guest speaker and guest musician will feature on the night!

Dinner will be served at the Royal Australian Air Force Association *Cirrus Club*



Two dinner options
Two dessert options
Wine on the table
Bar available
Tea and Coffee

Air Force Memorial Estate Bull Creek Drive BULLCREEK

All members welcome – but places are limited so bookings are absolutely essential!

- RSVP admin@righttolifewa.co or 92217117

- Pay Using our website: www.righttolifewa.co

or via the email address, or mail your cheque to PO BOX 6087 East Perth WA 6892

In light of the current debate in WA Parliament on Surrogacy…

It seems timely to remind readers of our policy on Surrogacy. Members can find an expanded version of this policy, along with some background information, in the members section of our website:

The Right to Life Association of Western Australia defends life from conception to its natural end. There are no exceptions to this rule, even if there are difficult circumstances involved.

Because of this, the Right to Life Association of Western Australia is opposed to the use of surrogacy, particularly commercial surrogacy. In the process of surrogacy the life of at least one child may be terminated (in an abortion procedure similar way to that used in the IVF process) with the parties involved being aware of this possibility yet still deliberately proceeding.

The Right to Life Association of WA is also opposed to surrogacy because it cheapens the relationship between mother and father and child, because it breaks the bond between the birth mother and the child and because it may cause children to be commoditised and deliberately placed outside the normal married relationship between a heterosexual couple.

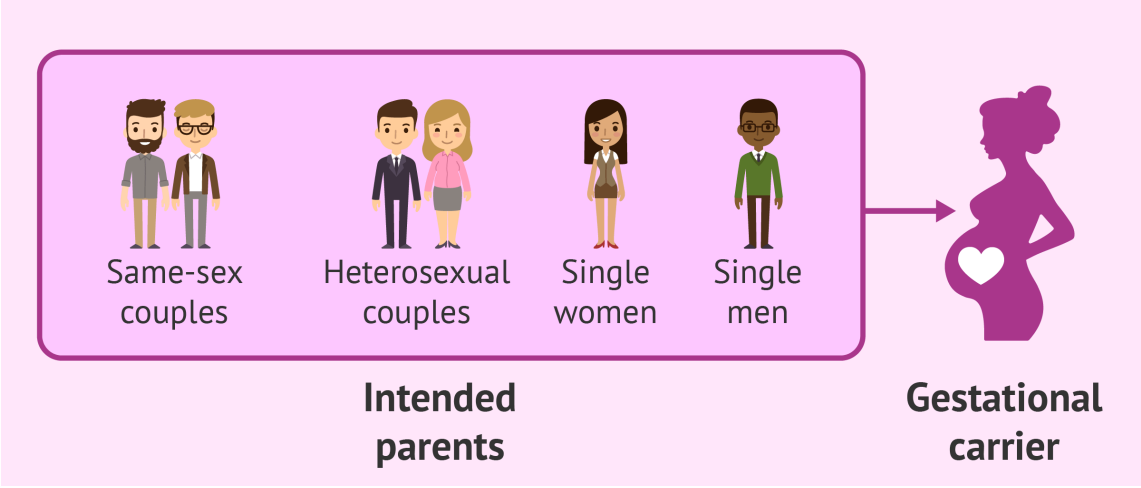
Surrogacy also allows the deliberate creation of motherless and fatherless children.

The Right to Life Association of WA is particularly opposed to commercial surrogacy because it commoditises women and children and because of the clear exploitation of women – sometimes as slaves – in the process. Surrogacy contributes to the assignment of price or value on a child and that is clearly not acceptable.

The Right to Life Association of WA has great sympathy for married, heterosexual couples who cannot have their own children for biological reasons but at the same time we do not sanction the use of surrogacy as a solution.

Here are some examples of those who could be involved in the Surrogacy process (if the law passes)

Examples of 'Commissioning' parents

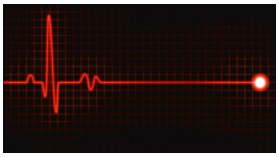


Donations are also always needed!

We always seem to be experiencing high cost times. Please consider offering us a donation or renewing your membership. It is one positive way you can fight for life. You can donate through the website www.righttolifewa.co (click on the 'donate' tab) or you can post a cheque or, well, any way you like really!

We also accept donations of food, children's clothing, baby furniture and other items. Call the office if you have any of these to give away.

Note: Donations online may be disrupted in late July / early August as we change from the Commonwealth Bank 'Simplify' system to the new 'BPoint' system. If you encounter difficulties please call the office.



Volunteers

are always needed. Give the office a call on 92217117 if you can help.

We need a carpenter, painter, cleaner, electrician and artist right now. (James 2:26).

Thank you in advance!

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If you have refundable drink containers please consider donating the ten cents to us. Use our code (above) or ask the attendant to find us on their fund recipient list. There are receiving stations in lots of places now.

Catenian Society (Fremantle circle) talk and dinner



The Right to Life Association of WA had the privilege of dinner with the Members and Wives of the Fremantle Circle of the Catenian Society on August 21st. They are a wonderful bunch of people and very supportive of each other. They also actively support students in need. This group also know how to have a great dinner! It is fair to say the group found our presentation hard hitting, but such is the nature of the attacks on life today. That said, the Catenians were keen to understand the current situation.

Our thanks to Richard Finucane who arranged this event.

The Catenians are looking for members! It is a very supportive Catholic Men's Group.

●If your organization would like the Right to Life Association of WA to present at your function please contact the office.

CATENIANS
FRIENDSHIP IN FAITH

Special screening of the movie The 1916 Project



The Right to Life Association of WA is proud to present a special screening of the movie ***The 1916 Project.*** It is a look at how we got here - from Margaret Sanger's illegal abortion clinic in 1916 to the craziness and evil of our present day wholesale abortion industry worldwide. The movie is a call to arms: It asks: if not now, when? If not you, who? Tickets to the movie and a special introduction by Anouska Firth on Friday 6th December are just $5.

at **The Disciples of Jesus**

67 Howe Street Osborne Park

Bookings: **www.righttolifewa.co** (click on the 'Calendar' tab).

Timetable of coming events

Saturday 11th October	3AM – 7AM	Festival of the Word Bible reading
Saturday 18th October	6PM	Right to Life Association WA annual dinner
Saturday 25th October		Pro Life conference in Tasmania
Saturday 1st November	9.30 –4 PM	Pro Life gathering at Lake Monger
Tuesday 2nd December	6PM	Right to Life Association of WA AGM
Friday 6th December:	6PM	Screening of THE 1916 PROJECT movie

Miracle Prayer Healing Services are held in Osborne Park every second Wednesday of the month and in Wanneroo on every 4th Wednesday. Always at 7.30PM. Also livestreamed on youtube.

www.facebook.com/miracleprayersperth



News Flash! The Babies Fighting Fund account balance now stands at $26415.98.

See page 6 of this newsletter for account details if you would like to contribute

Dwight Randall

Man of God. Accidental leader. Pro Life. Minister. Father

By Steve Klomp

If you have any experience at all in the Christian Pro-Life movement in Perth then you know of a man called Dwight Randall. He is one of the giants of the fight, sitting comfortably alongside others like Helen Sawyer, Brian Peachey, Alan Lansdown, Trevor Boardman, John Barich and of course Peter O'Meara.



Dwight is an inspiration of his generation, known for his faith and fearless appetite for the battle to defend life from conception to its natural end. He could have fought that battle anywhere – and indeed this South African born Australian who still holds American citizenship could well have been part of the movement in the USA – but the Lord decided he should be here in Western Australia.

Dwight arrived in Australia in 1977. He was just 25 years old and a recent graduate from Lincoln Christian College in Illinois. Apart from the Lord, Dwight had nothing much to sustain himself save for his wife Sheila and the first two of his four children. He spent the next four years as the Minister of the Church of Christ in Morawa before becoming a part of the Ministry team for Life Ministries in Perth.

It is sometimes hard to understand why the Lord chooses particular people for particular tasks. Their leadership almost seems accidental but He certainly got it right when He chose Dwight and the Randall family.

Dwight was inspired to fight for life following the Labor Party's declaration in 1983 that it intended to legalise abortion (ironically abortion became legal under a Liberal government in 1998 – ed.).

Despite this declaration, it was clear that abortions were already being routinely performed in hospitals and clinics throughout Perth so Dwight set about changing the hearts and minds of people by his writing, his preaching, his prayer vigils and his example.

He was also instrumental in the commencement of Pregnancy Problem House, the Coalition for the Defence of Human Life, 40 Days for Life in Perth and the Christian Democratic Party (now known as the Australian Christians Party).

Dwight is a big, quiet man. He speaks with conviction and he has the wisdom that faith, family, knowledge and experience brings. He has great affection and patience with people and I cannot recall a time when his anger got the better of him despite his pro-life passion. Having said that, I do recall a story about a certain abortionist copping a Dwight Randall serve, but I suspect that was righteous anger. **Continued overleaf**

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Now in his seventies Dwight continues to serve God through his Church and his mentoring of others and he is still active in various areas including the Australian Christians Party. He still urges us all to pray for life.

Former Federal Senator Joseph (Joe) Bullock was right when he said it was sad that Life Ministries was closing (2021) and people like Dwight Randall were retiring.

But Dwight was the right leader for the time. He is one of the greats that set the foundation for the eventual success of the Christian pro-life movement in Western Australia. It is on their backs that we newcomers ride. It is on their shoulders that we perch and can see our future success.

I pray that Dwight Randall will be honoured with the Von Galen Bonhoeffer award in 2026.

The Right to Life Association of WA supports Care Bags!

Our support of children, mothers and parents is well known. We are not content just to say we believe in the sanctity of human life. We are not content just to campaign for the protection of all human life —we want to offer practical help too.

Some of you may be aware of our street packs, our women's care packs and our street feeding programme. These programmes are going from strength to strength but we haven't previously considered the needs of children entering foster care. Perhaps two children enter foster care every day in WA., often without notice. It can be a traumatic time for them and we want to help by supporting the charity 'Care Bags'. Their mission is to support children in care and at risk in Western Australia, so that they feel valued and know they matter. They provide care bags with essentials to help children through the first days, and transient teenager toiletry bags to help teens and young adults maintain hygiene and dignity (refer carebags.com.au). If you would like to help these children with a bag or individual items or a donation of money contact the charity directly or contact our office. If you are unsure what is appropriate you are welcome to provide multiple items and our office can sort through them and supply Care Bags or use them for our own programmes, as appropriate.





Most American Jews believe abortion is legal in Judaism – and a Jewish right

Cecily Routman is the founder of the Jewish Pro-Life Foundation, based in Pennsylvania, USA. She started the movement in 2005 after hearing a Jewish woman screaming on public radio* that she had a right to a partial birth abortion. The Foundation's belief in the sanctity of human life mirrors that of the Right to Life Association of Western Australia.

It is clear that Cecily is very dedicated to the cause. Her motivation was sparked by life experiences such as her university days where she witnessed the revolving door of female students going from university to the health clinic, then to planned parenthood for their abortions, and back again.

Cecily agreed to an online interview during August this year. The interview was enlightening to say the least. We discussed the typical attitude of Jewish people to abortion and her work in the Foundation https://jewishprolifefoundation.org/

Cecily what is the Foundation's mission?

The mission of the Jewish Pro-Life Foundation is Torah based pro-life education (for our non-Jewish readers the Torah is the first five books of the Old Testament, starting with Genesis. These five books are also known as the Pentateuch – Ed.).

We want to educate our own people but we also want non-Jewish people to know that Judaism is the original pro-life religion. To that end we help sponsor and attend conservative events but most of our work is internet-based.

We also refer to Jewish friendly pregnancy help. We want to save parents from the torture and regret of an abortion. We want to give them pause before they decide to go to Planned Parenthood.

And we have an online healing programme to help Jewish women and men who have experienced abortion.

What is your greatest challenge?

Money is always a problem although I did start with a nest egg and that helped a lot. Most of the Jewish philanthropy in this area goes to abortion rights organizations. We have a small donor base and we are a charity so that means donors can get tax relief. But the biggest challenge is to get people to pay attention to the message. It is next to impossible to get our teaching into synagogues for example.

Why is that?

Jews are supposed to be pro-life because children are made in the image of God and must be born to live out their lives and advance God's Kingdom on Earth.

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But many, many Rabbis do not teach that for two reasons. One is that Rabbinic education focuses on strictly legal matters, lacking clear moral guidelines, the dangers and harms that abortion causes, and broader abortion industry practices that violate Jewish law.

The other reason is fear of losing their job. Rabbis are appointed by a board of elders who in turn are elected by the members of each synagogue. So this means that whilst Rabbis are not subject to the popular vote they might as well be.

The inference then being that the members of each synagogue believe in abortion?

Yes. Before I explain that I need to give you a little background on the Talmud. While the Torah is the foundational divine text (God's teachings), the Talmud is record of rabbinic opinion on how Jews understand and apply that divine text to life. Over the centuries Talmud laws have been gradually disengaged from the original Torah law in some areas. Now, most Rabbis believe in and teach Talmud law rather than the Torah.

In other words, whilst the Torah says a person must not kill 'the man within the man,' the Talmud considers the baby differently. Not all rabbinic opinions in the Talmud support abortion, but many do allow it in most circumstances. These permissive opinions are now normative in many Jewish communities. So that's the message the members of the synagogue get.

So how many Jewish people believe abortion is OK?

Perhaps 90% of all Jewish people in America, particularly Reform and Conservative denominations, but also Modern Orthodox Jews, believe that abortion is actually a Jewish right. Sadly, some of the most fervent pro-abortion campaigners in America were and are, Jewish people. Ours is the only dedicated Jewish pro-life voice challenging that belief.

We estimate that one Jewish baby dies from abortion every 14 minutes in the USA. Our Torah promises us that we will repent for this and that God's mercy will redeem us. May that day come soon.





*public radio is known as community radio in Australia

Cecily Routman

Right to Life Association of WA Membership Application and Donation form



Please complete this form and return it to:
Right to Life Association, PO Box 6087, East Perth WA 6892.
You could also scan and email to admin@righttolifewa.co

My name _____

My address _____

My email address _____

Home number _____ Mobile _____

I would prefer to receive information from the Right to Life Association of WA by (please tick):

☐ Email ☐ Post ☐ Phone

● Please accept my membership fee for 2025 (please tick)

☐ $10 (pensioners) ☐ $20 (individuals) ☐ $30 (married couples)

● Please accept my donation of (please tick):

☐ $5 ☐ $20 ☐ $100 ☐ $500 Other donation _____

☐ I would like to donate this amount monthly

This money is to be used for (please tick):

☐ General expenses ☐ Babies Born Alive Fighting Fund

☐ Contribution towards the storage solution ☐ Shares in Australian media

● I would like to pay by: ☐ Cheque (pay to Right to Life Association WA) ☐ Credit card

(Visacard and Mastercard accepted)

Credit card number _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ Expiry Date ___/ ___ CVV ____

Name on card _____

● Actually, I want to pay by ☐ Direct Deposit

Bank: Commonwealth Account name: Right to Life Association Western Australia

BSB 066110 Account number 00902168

● I can help the Right to Life Association in lots of practical ways too! Please call me for help with

☐ Maintenance /cleaning ☐ Prayer Intercession ☐ Counselling ☐ Admin

☐ Quiz Night ☐ Raffle ☐ Annual Dinner ☐ Lifehouse Other _____