



# ROLAND WARREN

## PRESIDENT, CEO CARE NET

A graduate of Princeton University and the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania, Roland (pronounced Rah-land, rhymes with Holland) is an inspirational servant leader with a heart for Christ and a mind for business. After 20 years in the corporate world (with IBM, Pepsi and Goldman Sachs), Roland spent 11 years as president of the National Fatherhood Initiative before joining Care Net in 2012 as president and CEO.

His national media appearances include The Oprah Winfrey Show, The Today Show, CNN, C-SPAN, Dateline NBC, Fox News Channel, Family News in Focus, and Black Entertainment Television. He has been interviewed by major radio and newspaper outlets such as *The Wall Street Journal*, *USA Today*, *The Washington Post*, *O Magazine*, *Ebony*, *Sports Illustrated*, *Christianity Today*, *Essence*, The Tavis Smiley Show, and Janet Parshall's America. He writes a column for Patheos.com called "Just Sayin': Musings on Faith, Family, and Freedom," and is the co-host of Care Net's podcast, CareCast: Care Net on Family, Faith and Life.

## CREDENTIALS

- Graduate of Princeton University
- MBA from Wharton School of Business
- Served as President of the National Fatherhood Initiative for 11 years
- Author of multiple books including related titles
  - [\*Raising Sons of Promise\*](#), a guide for single mothers of boys
  - [\*Bad Dads of the Bible\*](#), a book to help fathers avoid the mistakes of the Bible's many bad fathers

## ONLINE (CLICK TO VISIT)



## PODCAST



On his podcast, Care Net's CareCast, Roland Warren, and Vincent DiCaro, Care Net's Chief Outreach Officer, take on today's news, with a Pro Abundant Life spin, and also some humor. [Click here to listen](#)

## EXPERTISE

- Next steps for couples experiencing unplanned pregnancy
- The limitations of a political approach to preventing abortions
- Single parent families
- Fatherhood and marriage

## AVAILABILITY

- Widely available Mondays - Fridays
- Available to travel or via phone, Zoom
- Eastern Time (Washington, DC)

## CARE NET

Founded in 1975, Care Net is a 'Pro Abundant Life' ministry that empowers women and men considering abortion to choose life for their unborn children. Acknowledging that every human life begins at conception and is worthy of protection, Care Net offers compassion, hope, and help to anyone considering abortion by presenting them with realistic alternatives and Christ-centered support through our life-affirming network of pregnancy centers, churches, organizations, and individuals. Learn more and read the [full mission statement here](#).

## MEDIA

Watch Roland discuss issues like fatherhood, marriage and abortion with the likes of Oprah Winfrey, pastor Allen Jackson and Kirk Cameron below.



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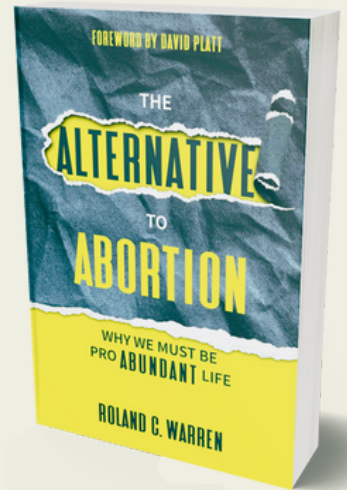
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# ABOUT THE BOOK

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After the overturning of *Roe v. Wade* in June of 2022, many pro-life Americans --- especially Christians – began asking, “Now what?” In the more than two years that have passed since that momentous Supreme Court decision, the pro-life movement has provided a variety of answers. But as these (sometimes conflicting) answers have been tested and debated, Americans, when given the option, have chosen more abortions and more pro-choice laws, not fewer.

Against this backdrop, Roland C. Warren, president and CEO of Care Net—one of the nation’s largest and oldest pro-life ministries—lays out his unique vision for the future of the pro-life movement in this groundbreaking book, *The Alternative to Abortion: Why We Must be Pro Abundant Life*. In it, Warren weaves together his personal story, timeless Biblical truths, American history and the latest social science to make a clear and compelling case for why being pro-life is no longer enough – and how a new pro *abundant* life approach is what has been needed all along to truly vanquish abortion.

Warren's journey towards this paradigm shift began during his Princeton University college years when he and his then-girlfriend, now wife of over four decades, faced the daunting decision of abortion or choosing life for their unborn child. They chose life, and that is when Roland’s 40-year journey to this book began. Upon joining Care Net in 2012, Warren challenged conventional pro-life strategies by recognizing the link between abortion rates and the erosion of marriage, father involvement, and discipleship. He realized, with a “download from God,” that the Bible itself held all of the answers on how the pro-life movement must move forward.

## WHY IS IT RELEVANT?

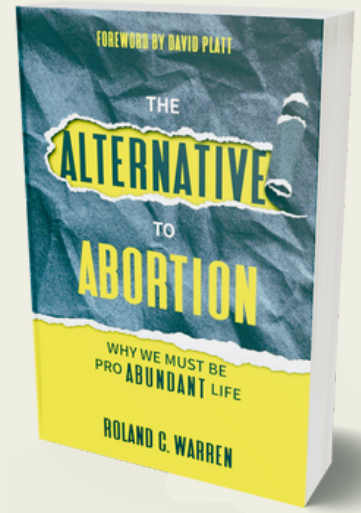
- We’ve seen **the limits of politics**. So, we have to move from being pro-life to being pro *abundant* life. The book outlines how, in order to truly defeat abortion, **we have to stop thinking of abortion as a political issue, but rather as a gospel issue** whose solutions are found in Scripture. Thus, the way forward is to not only save babies from abortion, but to **help women and men form strong families**, and to help them become disciples of Jesus Christ. And only the Church, led by Christians, can do this.
- Despite **Roe v Wade** and the election of **Donald Trump**, many Christians are still wondering what they can do to end abortion. The abortion pill is more available than ever, **Planned Parenthood** is just as strong as ever, and the number of abortions has barely changed. And now, the **Republican party** has watered down its pro-life position in its official platform. We’ve been told that abortion is a political issue and now there isn’t even really a pro-life political party in the U.S. So, what’s next for the pro-life movement? Is it dead? Does it have a future?

## WHO IT’S FOR:

- Those with a desire to remain faithful to the gospel, while also meeting the immediate need of saving babies from abortion.
- **Christians experiencing frustration** that the church has been mostly silent on the abortion issue, and when not silent, has typically been too political.
- Anyone facing confusion about how to make a positive difference on the life issue.

## SUGGESTED QUESTIONS

- How does your own unplanned pregnancy story inform your position on abortion and approach to the issue?
- Why do you believe Christians should stop calling themselves pro-life, but pro *abundant* life instead?
- The Republican party watered down its pro-life position substantially in its platform ahead of November’s election. What does this mean and why does it matter?
- Why do you think the church must take the lead on the abortion issue, and what would that look like?
- What are some practical things that Christians can do immediately to address the abortion issue?
- How is Care Net addressing the abortion issue in light of what your book says?
- The pro-life movement has been accused of hypocrisy because it has prioritized policies that ban abortion rather than policies that increase support for mothers and families. How is a pro *abundant* life stance different?
- What does it mean to “have life and have it abundantly” (John 10:10, ESV)?
- How do your personal spiritual practices inform your work with Care Net?
- What kinds of support helped you and your wife choose to start your family, once you had an unplanned pregnancy?
- How can Christians lead with love on this often divisive issue?



Yvette was a cute freshman, just one year behind me at Princeton. We lived in the same dorm and shared the same cafeteria, where I'd see her now and then. I thought she was cute and wanted to meet her, but I was shy. So when the opportunity to regale her with a corny pickup line presented itself after football practice one day, I took my shot. I had no idea how that brief conversation was about to change everything. Yvette and I were soon inseparable. We ate our meals together, spent all our time together, and fell in love.

We were both Christians. We knew what we were supposed to do. But we found ourselves in love at college with not a lot of supervision. Eventually, we became intimate. I knew well what the risks were with this kind of behavior, but let's just say they weren't front of mind. Until one day, while I was home on a midterm break, I got a call from Yvette. "I think I'm pregnant," she whispered nervously.

These are the only words I remember her saying, because after that everything went into slow motion. This was a life-defining moment. I didn't have a framework for what would happen next. I wouldn't say I panicked, but the weight of an uncertain future felt heavier than ever.

We returned from the break and Yvette went to the clinic on campus to confirm what she already knew to be true. The first thing the nurse asked her, or (more accurately) told her was, "You're going to have an abortion, aren't you?" Yvette said no. She explained to the nurse that she wanted to get married, have her baby, and raise her child.

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The nurse was an older woman—maybe even a mother herself. She could have said, "Ok, let's see how we can make your 'choice' work. Let me help you." Or, she could have asked, "Who's the father? Can he come to your next visit? Let's make sure that he is prepared to support your choice and his child." But she didn't. Instead, the nurse suggested an abortion and cast a negative light on Yvette's life should she decide to give birth....

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But the nurse was wrong about Yvette's future career. She did go on to become a medical doctor. In fact, she was the chief resident of her program (though she's far too humble to ever tell you that). She's been practicing medicine for more than thirty years now.

I am reminded of the adage that anyone can tell you how many seeds are in an apple, but only God can tell you how many apples are in a single seed. That's why it's so dangerous for us to try and control life by deciding who should and should not live based on our limited perception. The baby they wanted us to throw in a trash can, our firstborn son, went on to graduate from Harvard. Also, we have a beautiful granddaughter, a blessing we would have missed if Yvette had followed the nurse's advice.

Unexpectedly, the narrative of my story became tied to my fatherhood story. I earned a master of business administration degree from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business and worked for large corporations including IBM, PepsiCo, and Goldman Sachs. However, I could never shake the nudge that God had work for me to do that would directly connect to the decision Yvette and I made to have the baby, and the decision I made to be a husband and a father. About twenty years after our first son was born, I had the opportunity to lead the National Fatherhood Initiative and work in innovative ways to inspire other men to be the best dads they can be. At the same time, God graciously gave me the perfect space to work through my own issues related to being raised without my dad. In 2012, I came to Care Net, a national Christian ministry that offers compassion, hope, and help to women and men at risk for abortion, ready to learn, grow, and ask questions.

As I look back on my life, I can see how God connected the dots and led me to this place and this work. My passion for the life issue stems from my own story and observations of the challenges addressing this difficult issue. Consequently, with God's leading, I've developed a somewhat novel approach to addressing the abortion issue. I believe this approach, through the power of God's Holy Spirit, has tremendous power to transform hearts and lives on the issue of abortion.

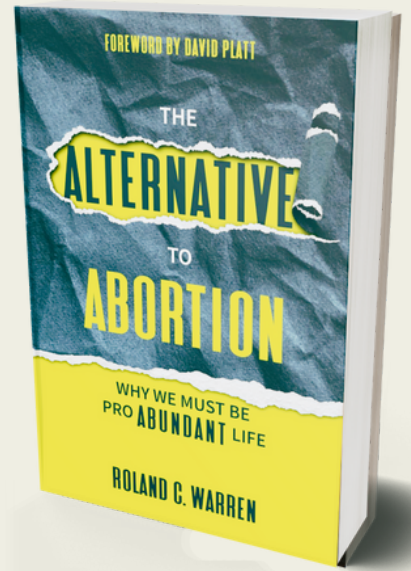
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# ENDORSEMENTS



“This book is a must-read for those who want to obey Christ in fulfilling the Great Commandment and Great Commission for the strengthening of the family and equipping the church in addressing those facing the challenge of an unplanned pregnancy.”

**DR. TONY EVANS**

**Bestselling author; Founding Pastor of Oak Cliff Bible Fellowship and President of the Urban Alternative**

“As a pastor whose purpose is to make disciples for Jesus Christ, I am confident that this book is the breath of fresh air that the pro-life movement needs to direct much-needed attention to the Church as the way to finally win our battle against abortion.”

**REV. SAMUEL RODRIGUEZ**

**Lead Pastor, New Season Church; President, National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference**

“Warren’s call to be pro abundant life restarts and resets the conversation about abortion.”

**WALTER KIM**

**President of the National Association of Evangelicals**

“Roland Warren provides a game plan here, one that holds together truth and love, clear on not only what we must oppose but what we must champion. It’s time to roll up our sleeves and get to work.”

**JOHN STONESTREET**

**President of The Colson Center and Host of Breakpoint**