



Hebron Baptist Church

Sanctity of Human Life Month



“The values and freedoms we cherish as Americans rest on our fundamental commitment to the sanctity of human life. The first of the ‘unalienable rights’ affirmed by our Declaration of Independence is the right to life itself, a right the Declaration states has been endowed by our Creator on all human

beings – whether young or old, weak or strong, healthy or handicapped.”

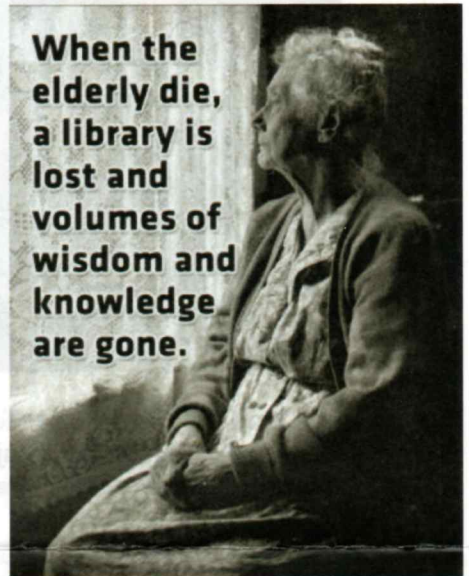
“Now, Therefore, I, Ronald Reagan, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Sunday, January 22, 1984, as National Sanctity of Human Life Day.”

“Our same culture which legalized, then normalized, and now – God have mercy – actually celebrates the killing of unborn children...this same culture of death is now entertaining similar arguments to justify the mistreatment and murder of other people-groups in our society: the elderly, disabled or chronically ill, and those with mental illness.” (Joni Eareckson Tada, January 17, 2020)

“The one common experience we will all share if we live long enough is that we will grow old. While conception is the beginning of life, old age is the twilight of life. Sanctity of human life, at least, means we respect the dignity of life from beginning to end.” (Rudy Gray, editor, *The Courier*, South Carolina Baptists)

“All men bear the image of God. They have value not because they are redeemed, but because they are God’s creation in God’s image.” (Francis Schaeffer, 1912-1984)

For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother’s womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well. Psalm 139:13-14



When the elderly die, a library is lost and volumes of wisdom and knowledge are gone.

“Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding.” (Prov. 4:7 NKJV)

“Wisdom is with aged men, and with length of days, understanding.” (Job 12:12 NKJV)

“Older women are to...train the young women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled.” (Titus 2:3-5 ESV)

Joni & Nick



Joni Eareckson Tada, an advocate for people with disabilities, and evangelist Nick Vujicic believe that life is sacred from conception to death.

There is a pervasive mentality today that people are “better off dead than disabled,” says Tada, but abilities “don’t determine our value.”

Joni, the founder of the charity Joni and Friends, has been a quadriplegic since 1967, when a diving accident fractured her neck. In the aftermath, she suffered deep depression and lost the will to live. But she gradually came back to a deeper relationship with God.

Nick Vujicic is an Australian-American evangelist. He was born without arms or legs, due to tetra-amelia syndrome, a rare disorder characterized by the absence of all four limbs.

Nick is the founder of Life Without Limbs. Since 2005, Nick’s ministry has shared the Gospel with more than 733 million people.

“If God can use a man without arms and legs to be His hands and feet, then He will certainly use any willing heart!” - Nick Vujicic -

2021 Annual Report

The HBC Senior Ministry had an active year, and we look forward to what God will do in 2022. Thanks to everyone who made it a successful year.

The Senior Team met monthly to review, discuss, and plan the following ministries:

- **Card Ministry** – Mailed 70 Birthday, 33 Get Well & Thinking of You, and 7 Sympathy cards.
- **Visitation** – 25 visits were made to *Seniors and Shut-ins who needed a* loving, caring visit from one who empathizes with their pain or need.
- **Newsletter** – Distributed monthly, the focus was on church history and local & national events important to Seniors.
- **Senior Recognition** – 15 Seniors were recognized in the Newsletters, highlighting the important contributions they have made to the church, community, and nation.
- **Senior Events**
 - Mother’s Day carnations and poem – May 9
 - Senior Summer Celebration to honor Father’s Day – June 19
 - Ark Encounter Gospel Music Festival – Aug 3
 - Gary Griesser – Sep 25
 - Tony Doane, Rabon & Sherry Hensley – Oct 23
 - Veterans Day – poppies, poem, commemorative coins – Nov 11
 - Christmas Gift Bags delivered to 29 Shut-ins

