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**MDRTL Hoping for a Merry Christmas!**

**Our needs are many and our resources are limited.**

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We have had to cut expenses to the bone during the past year, and we are facing even more difficult decisions in the year ahead. Please don't let the little ones down!

**Can't help financially? Get involved!** We need chapters in several areas, and we also need volunteers who can help with events. We have several events in the planning stages — please help us make them a reality! [Email us to share your gifts!](#)



### Cecil County Pro-Lifers Give Dignity to Aborted Children

In response to an [abortion facility raid which yielded thirty-five bodies of aborted children](#), pro-lifers in Cecil County seek to bring dignity to their short lives.

The unborn children were buried in a [funeral ceremony](#) at the Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Cherry Hill, Cecil County.

Reverend Joe Piekarski of Immaculate Conception Parish worked with the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to have the [bodies released to the church for a proper burial](#). Each unborn child was individually named by the church.

Only one of the unborn children's body was claimed by family. The rest were buried. Eleven of the unborn children were issued fetal death certificates by the state medical examiner's office. According to Maryland law, this indicates that these eleven were 20 weeks or older. Initial reports claimed at least one of the children was 36 weeks, or a complete nine months.

Max Hellstern, Sr., of Elkton aptly pointed out, "This is the end result of what our senators and representatives have voted for." The *Cecil Whig* had already interviewed Maryland Right to Life's Director of Legislation about [how Maryland's permissive abortion law has contributed to tragedies](#) like this.

Ed Cole, another Elkton resident and member of the Immaculate Conception Parish, sadly recognized, "Thirty-four children is an entire kindergarten class. And these children come from just a five-week period, just imagine how many untold more there are from the prior six months."

Cecil County Right to Life member Mary De Voe who attended the funeral was moved to tears. She remarked, "The ceremony expressed the dignity of these human beings and the horror that they were taken from us...That is our country being buried."

The funeral was attended by about 30 people, included members of several churches and active members of [Maryland Right to Life's Cecil County Chapter — Cecil County Right to Life](#).

### Thousands of Bodies of Unborn Children Found in Thai Temple

[Thousands of bodies of unborn children have been discovered](#) in a crypt in a Thai Buddhist Temple. They were arranged neatly in rows and devout Buddhists left offerings of milk and bananas according to tradition for honoring the dead as the bodies were brought out of the mortuary.

An inexplicable strong stench drew officials to the Buddhist mortuary, where officials found the bodies, which are believed to have been hidden to cover up illegal abortions.

International organizations like the United Nations have claimed that abortion is legal only in limited instances in Thailand. However, it is unclear to what extent abortion is permissible under Thai law as it depends on how 'mental health' is defined in Thailand. In the United States, the lack of a strongly defined 'mental health' justification has led to abortion on demand through all nine months of pregnancy.

Multiple individuals have been arrested in connection to the discovery, including "two undertakers for hiding bodies to conceal the cause of death and an abortion clinic employee on charges of operating an unlicensed medical clinic and performing abortions." Each could face varying fines and jailtime.

A woman who delivered the bodies of the unborn children to the mortuary considers her work to be valuable to society, though she adopted eight children who did not die during the abortions. "I commit sin every day, so if the kids won't die, there's no need to kill them," she stated.

The media coverage has [provoked much debate](#) over changing abortion law in Thailand to make it even more permissive. Not surprisingly, such a change faces significant opposition.

The temple where the bodies were found [will be dismantled and converted into a meditation center](#).

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In the past several months, without the actions of any legislator, Maryland has seen multiple abortion facilities temporarily or permanently shut down!

First, in Severna Park infamous abortionist Romeo Ferrar had his license suspended for negligently practicing medicine resulting in the death of a patient through an anesthesia overdose. Rather than waiting to apply to have his medical license reinstated, Dr. Ferrar chose to retire. An abortionist hired to replace him chose not to do abortions after witnessing the strength of the pro-life movement in the area. As a result, the office has permanently closed and the [office's lease has been put on the market](#).

Secondly, an abortion facility in Frederick, just minutes from Hood College, stopped performing abortions during the recent *40 Days for Life* campaign. Leaders of Frederick County Right to Life, Maryland Right to Life's local affiliate, were among the participants that saw a blossoming pro-life base of support in the Frederick area.

Thirdly, Elkton saw the closing of its secret late-term abortion facility after a woman nearly died of a perforated uterus and internal damage from a botched abortion. Of the three abortionists involved, two had their Maryland medical licenses suspended and a third, who was practicing without a license, received a "cease and desist order" from the Maryland Board of Physicians.

The owner of the office buildings where the secret abortion facility was located is [relieved to have the abortion facility gone](#) after having unknowingly allowed abortions to occur at her facility. "That was hard for me because I have three granddaughters who are adopted. For me to have any kind of tie to that man was difficult," Elizabeth Maresca, the owner of the Elkton office complex remarked.

With the abortionists involved in the Elkton fiasco unable to practice medicine in Maryland, the other four abortion facilities owned by Dr. Brigham in Maryland are now under greater strain to do as many abortions.

The culture of death in Maryland has lost significant ground this year, but may experience a renewed upswing infamous late-term abortionist LeRoy Carhart, who has announced his intention to open a facility in Maryland in early December.

The abortion lobby in Maryland will do anything to defend its monolithic hold on power in Maryland through politics. Pro-lifers need to unite and keep its momentum going! Maryland Right to Life, the only single-issue pro-life organization with a full-time lobbyist in Annapolis, leads the opposition to the Maryland's pro-abortion juggernaut. [Please join us](#) as we work to defend innocent human life!



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