



COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (CPC) RESOLUTION ON ABORTIFACIENTS

The following resolution was adopted on August 18, 2020 following a season of prayer and repentance:

Whereas the sixth commandment of the Lord our God forbids murder (Exodus 20:13), and

Whereas Exodus 21:22-25 reprobates even the negligent allowing for hazardous conditions in the presence of a pregnant woman, and levies a penalty against the perpetrators on the untimely birth of the child, and

Whereas Scripture levies serious civil penalties on those who needlessly and recklessly risk the lives of others resulting in death (Exodus 21:28-31), and

Whereas the confessional statement of the Covenant Presbyterian Church denomination requires “all lawful endeavors to preserve our own life and the lives of others,” and “avoiding all occasions, temptations, and practices, which tend to the unjust taking away the life of any” (WLC Q135), and

Whereas the Stanford Study (Mechanisms of Action of Intrauterine Devices) indicated that an average of 0.8 post-fertilization babies were lost per woman by use of the IUD per annum on five different IUD’s tested, and 14% of American women 15-44 years of age use the IUD, resulting in the deaths of 6,750,000 babies per annum (an increase from 960,000 babies in 2000), and

Whereas other forms of conception control such as the “birth control pill” exhibit abortifacient qualities according to multiple studies and medical advisements, and

Whereas studies have found the Plan B pill acts as an abortifacient, 80-92% of the time, and

Whereas, 32% of sexually active evangelical women are in use of these high efficiency forms of conception control, compared to the national average of 36%, and

Whereas, according to credible scientific studies, the majority of babies killed in this country each year are not killed by surgical abortion, but by the use of these chemical methods, and

Whereas, the Christian church should at the very least be marked by a commitment to preserve human life, and

Whereas, of all the prevalent cultural sins of the nation, this is among the most heinous and most grievous to God, especially as it is common among the churches that align themselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, the Prince of life,

Therefore be it resolved, that the Covenant Presbyterian Church repents of our silence to date on this abominable sin and seeks God for His mercy upon us and His Church,

Be it further resolved that the Covenant Presbyterian Church encourages all persons, including professing Christians to stop the killing of children in the womb, by either abortion or the use of abortifacients, and

Be it further resolved, that the Covenant Presbyterian Church denomination will issue a statement on the denominational website indicating its opposition to the use of abortifacient conception control methods, in which there are published, reputable scientific studies indicating abortifacient risk in the method; and

Be it further resolved, that the Covenant Presbyterian Church denomination will encourage all other evangelical and reformed denominations to join in making a consistent stand to preserve life in the womb, and

Be it further resolved, that the Covenant Presbyterian Church denomination will encourage all its pastors to warn its members, married couples, and soon to be married couples, of the risks of abortifacient forms of conception control; and assuring all of the mercies of Christ to forgive and cleanse of all unrighteousness.

Sincerely,



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