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## ***Friday Five*** ***January 20, 2023***

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### **I-LEAD Academy – Sign up Course 101 is a five-week course offered to All RTLACO Member Organizations.**

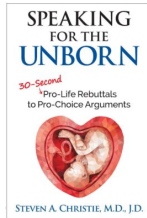
I-LEAD Academy for 2023 will now be broken into three separate courses. I-LEAD 101 will start on Wednesday, February 1st, and conclude Wednesday, March 1, 2023. This five-week course will focus on prolife apologetics and Christian Worldview and why it matters. I-LEAD 101 is now just \$30, which includes the Life is Best DVD and the pro-life apologetics best-selling book 'Speaking for the Unborn'. The [registration](#) deadline is January 31, 2023 and will be limited to just seven participants.

Later this year, we will offer I-LEAD 201, which will cover four weeks. This course will cover why the Right to Life Action Coalition of Ohio was formed, why our governance model, what we offer our member organizations, and why our grassroots model is essential to ensure lasting change. The registration fee for 201 is \$15.

Finally, I-LEAD 301 will focus on leadership at the local member organization level. This last segment will span four weeks. In this course, we will do a deep dive into ways to ensure continuity of leadership, fundraising, and discuss ways to be more impactful in your local community. The registration fee for 301 is \$10.

Each course is stand-alone. You need not complete 101 to take 201 or 201 to take 301. Currently, we are only taking registrations for I-LEAD 101.

**[REGISTER TODAY!](#)**



**Click the button below to print off flyers to hand out and promote I-LEAD 2023!**

**[I-LEAD FLYER HERE](#)**

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## TIME TO GET INVOLVED!

Greetings Members!! It is that time of year again---the Coalition needs your voice! Nominations for RTLACO board positions are open until February 4. See more below.

- Open Nominations for RTLACO Officers (Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary) and District Vice Presidents (for all Districts: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) remain open until February 4, 2023. Send the names of your nominees to the Nominating Committee: Walter Moss email: [walt11111@aol.com](mailto:walt11111@aol.com) or Linda Theis email: [ljtheis@yahoo.com](mailto:ljtheis@yahoo.com) or Gretchen Schellenger email: [gshelleng@yahoo.com](mailto:gshelleng@yahoo.com)
- Annual Membership Meeting to be held in conjunction with [Bringing America Back to Life Convention](#) (BABL) on Friday, March 10, 2023 from 3:30pm to 5:30 pm at:  
The Embassy Suites  
5800 Rockside Woods Boulevard,  
Independence, Ohio, 44131.
- You can find info on Members Registration for BABL [here](#).

Please extend this invitation to all of your members!! Our annual meeting and BABL are great opportunities to make more pro-life friends and learn more about the issues affecting our state.

*The Right to Life Action Coalition of Ohio foundational principle is to safeguard the inalienable right to life - with the recognition of personhood, from conception until natural death, with no exceptions. visit the RTLACO [website](#).*

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## 18 State Attorney Generals Sue Biden Admin to Stop Abortions at Veterans Hospitals.

As [previously reported by American ProLifer](#), the Biden administration issued an administrative order late last year announcing that it would begin committing abortion at Veterans Affairs (VA) hospitals in states that have passed laws to protect children in the womb.

Shortly thereafter, a nurse named Stephanie Carter, who is a 23 year VA-employee and Army veteran [filed a case against the VA](#) to stop the abortion mandate as a violation of her religious liberty. In her complaint Ms. Carter stated that she cannot “work in a facility that performs abortion services for reasons other than to save the life of the mother because ... unborn babies are created in the image of God and should be protected.” The case is being argued on Ms. Carter’s behalf by [First Liberty Institute](#), a Christian legal law firm based in Texas.

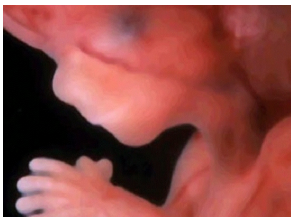
The military has set up a process to provide religious accommodation for conscientious objectors to abortion, but in the case of Ms. Carter, her request was rejected.

On January 17, a group of 18 Attorneys General [filed an amicus curiae, friend of the court brief](#), supporting Ms. Carter’s case calling the actions by the Biden Administration unlawful.

The 18 states are Mississippi, Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, and West Virginia.

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## Ohio City’s Abortion Ban Will Now Save Babies After Pro-Abortion Group Drops Lawsuit.

Pro-life advocates won another victory for unborn babies in court Thursday, Jan 12th, when a federal judge dismissed a lawsuit challenging the abortion ban in the city of Lebanon, Ohio.

Last week, the two sides reached an agreement to dismiss the lawsuit, and a Cincinnati court approved the terms, which include keeping the abortion ban intact, according to the report.

The Sanctuary City for the Unborn ordinance makes it “unlawful for any person to procure or perform an abortion of any type and at any stage of pregnancy” within city limits. Abortionists can face consequences for violating the ordinance, but pregnant mothers are exempt from punishment.

Lebanon does not have an abortion facility, but the ordinance prevents one from opening there.

A growing grassroots movement is working to protect unborn babies at the local level. In the past several years, other cities and counties have passed pro-life resolutions, which are statements of support but not enforceable law, that recognize unborn babies’ right to life.

Full Life News [HERE!](#)

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## WHO Calls for Removal of Any Law Limiting Abortion

WASHINGTON, D.C., January 6 (*C-Fam*) The World Health Organization (WHO) has recommended the removal of any legal or policy standard that might impede access to abortion, at any stage of pregnancy, and for any reason.

The first recommendation is the full decriminalization of abortion. In many countries, abortion is regarded a criminal offense, with exceptions in specific circumstances, such as rape, threats to the health or life of the mother, or fetal complications.

The WHO also discourages “grounds-based approaches” in which abortion is legal under specific circumstances, and instead recommends that abortion “be available on the request of the woman, girl or other pregnant person.” Gestational age limits are also discouraged, as is conscientious objection by health care providers, as they “pose barriers to access to abortion and have negative effects on the exercise of human rights.”

The WHO also recommends against mandatory waiting periods and third-party authorization, or the requirement of approval by a panel of doctors or a judge, parent, or spouse prior to an abortion.

Countries are urged to not restrict “who can provide and manage abortion” in a way “that is inconsistent with WHO guidance.” The UN health agency’s guidance on who can provide abortion has continuously expanded, encompassing doctors, nurses, midwives, pharmacists prescribing abortion pills, and even pregnant women themselves under the name of “self-care.”

[Read FULL Article by C-Fam HERE](#)

