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Florida Pro-Life Group Protests at EPOC Facility, Place of Botched Abortion

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Washington, DC (LifeNews.com) -- A Florida pro-life group is planning protests tomorrow at an Orlando abortion center that it complains is giving discounts for abortions. The EPOC abortion center is also the site of a botched abortion that occurred when abortion center staff tried to get around the ban on partial-birth abortions.

CEC For Life, a ministry of the Charismatic Episcopal Church, will sponsor a prayer vigil at the EPOC Clinic of the Orlando Women's Center on Friday.

Though there are several abortion business that operate in Orlando, the group tells LifeNews.com it doesn't like how EPOC offers discounts for students, military and Medicaid.

The group said it considers the discounts "shameless business tactics."

"I expect a discount when I go to a car wash or to a grocery store or department store," Fr. Terry Gensemer said. "But for someone to offer a discount to end a human life, it not only takes away from the humanity of innocent pre-born children, it cheapens and degrades all life, all humanity."

The vigil will be led and attended by over 100 youth from the CEC, with a street drama from the Brazilian dance group Benei Aor.

To represent the silent victims of abortion, the youth will stand in prayer outside the clinic for one hour with red duct tape over their mouths. By giving up their own voice, these young people hope to demonstrate how their own country has denied a voice to the unborn.

EPOC has also come under fire for misusing a heart medication called Digoxin to do second-trimester abortions now that the Supreme Court has upheld the national ban on partial-birth abortions.

Abortion businesses like the EPOC Clinic have misused Digoxin for years prior to the ruling.

The abortion center [came under fire](#) in April 2005 for failing to assist a woman whose baby was born alive there.

The woman, Angele, was 22 weeks pregnant at the time of the incident. In an

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interview, she told WorldNetDaily workers there had convinced her that her unborn baby would feel no pain during the abortion because they would use digoxin to kill her baby in the initial stages of the abortion.

Angele had chosen the "labor and delivery process" for her abortion as opposed to partial-birth abortion or dismemberment. She thought it would be less harmful for her unborn baby.

"I wanted it to be as humane and painless as possible for my son," Angele told WorldNetDaily. "They told me they would guide a needle directly into his heart and it would put him to sleep, and he wouldn't feel anything."

Following her initial visit to the abortion facility, she could feel the baby still moving within her. The next day she took pills meant to induce labor.

"I waited outside, cramping and crying, for the clinic to open. My contractions were close. I had been having them for hours. I knocked repeatedly at the door," Angele said.

After she obtained access to the abortion facility, she delivered her son.

"In one agonizing push, I felt and heard something come out. Then immediately another push. I was weak. I just held my head in my hands for a moment. Then I decided to stand up. I looked. There was my baby, the whitish cord and what I thought surely must be the placenta," Angele told WorldNetDaily.

Angele added, "I started sobbing and lay down (on) the floor. I stared and stared at my son. I was horrified that I had just had him in a commode."

Angele then screamed for help for her son, whom she called Rowan.

When an abortion facility employee finally arrived, she refused to call 911 for the baby, who was still moving. Angele ended up calling a friend, asking her to call an ambulance. But Rowan died before help arrived.

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