

### The Pray In Jesus Name Project

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Dear Mississippi Pastor,

In just three weeks, on November 8<sup>th</sup> of 2011, the voters of Mississippi will have a chance to stop abortion and cloning, not only across your entire state, but possibly nationwide by overturning Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court decision that "legalized" abortion.

In a critical ballot measure, Amendment 26, your people can protect unborn children by legally defining the term "person" as life that begins at conception. This ballot initiative would also prohibit cloning experimentation with human embryos, and directly outlaw elective abortions, and stop the murder of thousands of innocent children every year.

\*\*Would you please consider copying the attached three pages, and distributing them to every adult voter in your church this Sunday? And please talk about this from your pulpit.

You can download clean copies of these free handouts at the web-site: yeson26.net and then look for the "Church Resources" section.

Please help us stop the holocaust of abortion, permanently, everywhere, by informing your people about the importance of showing up to vote Yes on 26 on November 8<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

Let's take a stand together, in Jesus' name,

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# **Summary:**

For a year, Personhood advocates across Mississippi gathered over 100,000 certified signatures from registered voters to place the Personhood Amendment on the November, 2011 ballot.

The purpose of Amendment 26 is to protect all life, regardless of age, health, function, physical or mental dependency, or method of reproduction, natural or artificial. In other words, the Personhood Amendment would effectively end abortion and cloning and recognize life as starting at the earliest biological moment, or fertilization, not at birth. The language that will appear on the ballot is as follows:

Be it Enacted by the People of the State of Mississippi: SECTION 1. Article III of the constitution of the state of Mississippi is hereby amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION TO READ: Section 33. Person defined. As used in this Article III of the state constitution, "The term 'person' or 'persons' shall include every human being from the moment of fertilization, cloning or the functional equivalent thereof." This initiative shall not require any additional revenue for implementation.

Defeating Roe v. Wade and the death sentence it has imposed on 53 million Americans since 1973 will only occur when we reinvest the unborn with legal relevance and the end the court-mandated marginalization of their lives. Furthermore, perverse medical research that destroys human embryos such as cloning would also be stopped once personhood rights are established.

Mississippians have the unique opportunity to be the first of more than a dozen states to establish personhood rights for the unborn. While our state is very pro-life, we cannot treat this victory in November as a given. Planned Parenthood and the forces of evil will do all in their power to defeat truth. Churches and Christians across our state must ENGAGE, EDUCATE and DONATE to help make Amendment 26 a reality.

Please review the church resource tab at www.yeson26.net to learn how your congregation can help lead the fight for the unborn and Biblical truth in our state and nation on Election Day November 8.



# What can your church do to help make Amendment 26 a reality in Mississippi?

- Post a roadway sign on your church grounds near the roadside;
- Purchase a commercial billboard on a major roadway (we have billboard art ready);
- Post a digital image of the Yeson26 logo EVERY Sunday;
- Order roadway signs, yard signs, bumper stickers, bulletin inserts and T-Shirts from our webstore;
- Participate in and/or help plan a "Personhood Prayer Rally" in your town with fellow pastors;
- Emphasize "It's Possible Sunday" on November 6 starting now and plan to preach a pro-life, pro-personhood message that day;
- Make use of MS Church Leader Videos for Personhood, located on our Church Resources page at YesOn26.net;
- Wear the Yes on 26 lapel sticker on Sunday's and Wednesday's during worship or fellowship.
- Have church youth and other members spearhead community neighborhood canvassing prior to election day;
- Donate to Yes on 26 by logging onto YesOn26.net;
- Get your church to participate in the national premiere of pro-life studio film October Baby, (more details to follow);
- Schedule a "Festival for Life" with the Yes on 26 pastoral team;
- And most importantly: Put Yes on 26 on your daily prayer list, church emails, and in bulletin lists of reminders.



# **REAL ANSWERS** TO THE SCARE-TATCTICS BEING SPREAD BY THE PRO-ABORTION MINORITY

## ABOUT THE PERSONHOOD AMENDMENT:

### When Proposition 26, the Mississippi Personhood Amendment, passes in November...

"Will Personhood outlaw contraceptives?"

NO! The Personhood Amendment will not ban the use of hormonal contraceptives, including most forms of the "Pill." However, drugs such as RU486 which allow a baby to be conceived and then expelled will be banned. [Note: The Yes on 26 Campaign does not advocate for the use of contraceptives but unequivocally states that Personhood will not outlaw the "Pill."]

- "Will Personhood end in-vitro fertilization, which helps couples who want to become pregnant?"
- NO! Personhood would not ban in vitro fertilization. However Personhood would not allow unused embryos to be destroved.
- "Will Personhood prevent a doctor from saving the life of a mother with a problem pregnancy?"

NO! Under Personhood, the doctor would be required to save both lives if possible; but in the hard cases where the baby is unviable, the doctor would save the life of the mother.

• "Will Personhood result in the criminal prosecution of a woman who suffers a miscarriage?"

NO! This rumor is both silly and cruel. Women were not prosecuted for miscarriages before Roe v. Wadeand Personhood will not make having a miscarriage a crime.

"Will Personhood end abortion and cloning in Mississippi?"

YESI Personhood will stop the abortion industry in Mississippi. That is why Planned Parenthood and the ACLU are fighting Proposition 26. Planned Parenthood makes millions of dollars every year by killing babies. Beyond stopping abortion, Personhood will stop the economic incentive behind cloning - unethical, life-destroying medical research.

"What about rape or incest?"

Personhood will prevent a baby conceived through rape or incest from being executed for the crime. Women who have borne a child conceived in rape testify that the baby is a blessing rather than a continuation of the assault, and placing the child for adoption remains an option.

"Will Personhood increase health care costs in Mississippi?"

This question calls for another question: "Are Mississippi children a blessing and asset to the State or just an expense?" The fact is there are families waiting to adopt every child if their natural parents are unable to raise them.

"Doesn't the Personhood ballot language leave unanswered questions?"

Personhood is a constitutional definition that establishes a principle. It does not attempt set policy and procedure for every situation. Personhood establishes that both the mother and baby must be protected. Mississippi law dealt effectively with most of the questions raised by Personhood long before Roe v. Wade told courts to ignore the baby.

"Will the Mississippi Personhood Amendment overturn Roe v. Wade?"

Not directly. In November, Mississippi will be the first state in the nation to enact a Personhood Amendment to protect unborn babies. That will create positive momentum in Florida, South Dakota, and Ohio where Personhood will be on the ballot in 2012. Mississippi has an opportunity to lead the nation in saying, "the legal rights of Personhood begin at conception."

Will Personhood take away a woman's "Right to Choose"?

Millions of post-abortive women know that they were misled to think that they were disposing of a blob of tissue, rather than ending a life. Personhood will require the rights of both the mother and the baby to be considered.

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One simple mark on your ballot at the polls on November 8th to end abortion in Mississippi:

#### Statewide

Initiative Measure No. 26

Should the term 'person' be defined to include every human being from the moment of fertilization, cloning, or the equivalent thereof?

Yes

VOTE (MANUEL VES on 26)

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