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Please accept my financial support \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donations to the Right to Life League are Tax-Deductible to the full extent of the law.

PLEASE ENSURE NAME AND ADDRESS ABOVE ARE THE SAME AS ON CREDIT CARD STATEMENT

You are cordially invited to  
*The Right to Life League's*  
2013 Annual Benefit Gala  
**THE DEFENDERS:**  
Be a Hero for Life

TUESDAY  
**29**  
OCTOBER  
2013  
Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels  
The Center at Cathedral Plaza  
555 W. Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012  
6:00 pm Cocktails/VIP Reception  
7:00 pm Sit Down Dinner & Program

THE EVENT IS BEING UNDERWRITTEN SO THERE IS NO CHARGE TO ATTEND AS OUR MOST IMPORTANT FUNDRAISER OF THE YEAR. A FINANCIAL APPEAL WILL BE MADE.

RSVP no later than October 21st by either mailing selection to the left or online at www.rtlsc.org

Reservations Required & Taken on First-Come, First-Serve Basis.  
(Please specify all guest names on the enclosed response card)

So Send Your RSVP Early!

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## Center Locations

- Covina
- Duarte
- Ojai
- Palmdale
- Ridgecrest
- Riverside
- Temple City
- Yucca Valley

## Join "The Defenders" and Be a Hero for Life

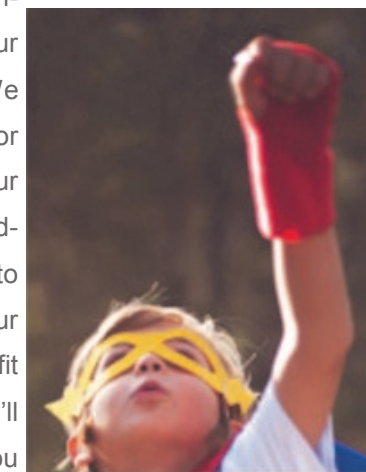


Today's culture is obsessed with superheroes. Whether it's through media or imagination, superheroes run wild throughout popular culture's consciousness.

No matter who someone is or where they come from, they are fascinated with those who choose to sacrifice and fight for the lives of those incapable of defending themselves. It has struck us here at the Right to Life League that this is exactly what being pro-life is all about – sacrificing and rising up to defend life.

In 2012, Marvel's *The Avengers* was a major hit in theaters. All over the world, people gathered to watch a group of extraordinary individuals come together to

defend the weak. That's what our gala is about – gathering together in the defense of life. However, it's never the goal of someone who is pro-life to avenge. So we've decided on the title *The Defenders*. We are incredibly excited to gather together this year to defend the dignity of all human life from the moment of conception until natural death. We seek to fight as one against the lies, manipulation, despair, and pain that abortion has inflicted upon our country. We thank you for being part of our team of defenders and hope to see you at our annual benefit gala, where we'll share with you what new we're doing in the defense of life.



## Right to Life League



Changing the world,  
one life at a time.

## Become a Prayer Warrior for Life



The most precious resource we possess in our fight to protect life is prayer. Through our prayers, the light and power of God reaches into the dark places of our society and “makes all things new.” That is why we at the Right to Life League have our Prayer Warriors program.

Each month, we send out a list of special intentions to the participants of this program, and they storm heaven, begging God to help the League fulfill its mission. In return, we offer up our prayers for our Warriors’ intentions.

The best part is that anyone, and we mean ANYONE, can be an effective prayer warrior. When asking for grace from God, age or social status are irrelevant.

SO WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?

Please sign up to be a prayer warrior today. Email us at [media@rtlsc.org](mailto:media@rtlsc.org), ask to be put on the list, and we’ll sign you right up. Include your own intentions, and we will put them in our prayer basket.



## Our Motivation: Loving them Both

By Sue Poland, Director of Life Choices of Ojai Valley

She came through our doors with her mom, dragging a big bag of clothing to donate to Life Choices. These were clothes that she’d outgrown, and this smiling toddler was happy to be sharing them with others who might need them. Of course, this little gal was just plain happy about life, as some toddlers are. However, it wasn’t so long ago that this little girl wasn’t headed for life... Our team of sonographers and volunteers invested a lot of time and energy into her mom a couple years back and we’re very happy to see that a choice for life prevailed. Please keep this little gal’s birthmom in your prayers, however... for her, life is still a struggle.

One of the greatest frustrations often facing our staff here is not getting to see how the story ends. We try very hard to keep in touch with our clients, but they’re a rather nomadic bunch, sometimes with phone numbers changing from one month to the next. However, it’s a situation we try to prepare for, right from the start of our vol-

unteer training.

A recurring theme of our “LOVE Approach” training is that during each of our client contacts, we are there to plant a seed. Sometimes if the client returns, we have the opportunity to water that seed, and even watch it grow. But often, the pleasure of nurturing or reaping is reserved for someone a little further along on our client’s path through life. Thankfully we know that God is always orchestrating the process, bringing our clients exactly what they need, exactly when they need it, whether they acknowledge Him or not.

But even after a client and her personal crisis have passed, we don’t forget them. Okay, so maybe sometimes we struggle to recall their names, but their faces, their stories, their needs – that, we remember. It’s a blessing to be able to help these women and their little ones – that’s

why we’re here – **because we love them both.**

Speaking in support of **SB 981**, the “**Stop Deceptive Advertising for Women’s Services Act**,” Illyse Hogue, president of NARAL Pro-Choices America said, “*We know these crisis pregnancy centers lie to women in the moment they most need accurate information to decide the future of their pregnancy and their lives. It’s despicable that anyone would take advantage of that decision to drive their own political agenda.*”

It’s clear that Ms. Hogue doesn’t understand us or our motivation. We know that prayer changes things, so consider adding her to your personal prayer list. Or maybe sending her a smiling little visitor dragging a bag of outgrown baby clothes would help? All I know is, if she were to show up on the doorstep at Life Choices, she would be welcomed with open arms, like every woman who comes to us.

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Our Annual Gala Guest Speaker: Fr. Robert Spitzer

Fr. Spitzer is a Catholic priest in the Jesuit order and is currently the President of the Magis Center of Reason and Faith. He served twelve years as the President of Gonzaga University. His extensive scientific and philosophical knowledge is evident in the five books he has authored. Father’s specialties include physics, public accounting, philosophy, and theology.

Father’s first involvement with life issues came when he was in college at the time of the Roe. V. Wade decision.

When he thought about what the result of the law’s passing meant he was “shocked to death.” He realized this was not just a religious issue; it affected everyone. He could not believe people actually wanted this when it made no sense legally or logically.

At the same time, a friend came to him who, with his girlfriend, was thinking of aborting. Father earnestly begged him not to, saying his life would be filled with regret. The child he saved now has children and the friend still thanks Father

every time he sees him for helping him avoid the worst mistake he could ever have made.

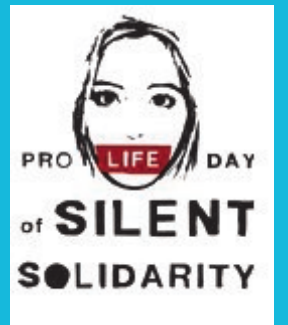
Father Spitzer has made multiple media appearances; published many scholarly journal articles; given hundreds of presentations to universities, government bodies, professional societies and corporations both nationally and internationally; had a rewarding career in teaching; won numerous awards and produced seven television series.

Father is currently working on three new books.

## More Upcoming Events: Respect Life Month

### ProLife Day of Silent Solidarity—Oct 15

People from all over the country will give up their voices for a day in solidarity for the unborn. Red arm bands and duct tape will identify them as taking part, and participants will have fliers explaining why they are silent.



### Sidewalk Counseling Training—Oct 18

Geri Urutia will lead a training in how to be a loving and effective Sidewalk counselor. This is a divine calling, of life and love where women are peacefully guided toward healthy approaches to an unexpected pregnancy, and away from abortion.

For More information call [562-412-0405](tel:562-412-0405).

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