

Josh Brahm

Director of Education & P.R., Right to Life of Central CA

Josh started with RLCC in January 2008. While previously at *Georgia Right to Life*, he founded both *Georgia Teens for Life* and *Mission: Life*, a network of prolife teen organizations.

Josh contends that the pro-life message can compete in the marketplace of ideas if properly understood and properly articulated. He's publicly debated leaders from *Planned Parenthood*, the *National Abortion Rights Action League* (NARAL), *Georgians for Choice*, and one of the leading abortion facilities in Atlanta.

A gifted speaker, Josh frequently travels across the country as well as conducting occasional international speaking tours. Josh has created over 10 different speeches and multimedia presentations on abortion, stem cell research, human cloning, and euthanasia.



Josh has been a regular guest on both TV and radio and is a frequent presenter in many churches of all sizes and denominations.

By producing YouTube videos and hosting RLCC's weekly podcast "*Life Report: Pro-Life Talk. Real World Answers*," he brings the pro-life message to hundreds of thousands across the country and around the world in a culturally relevant way. He also directed the 2008 Fresno 40 Days For Life Campaign, resulting in up to 60 lives saved.

Josh is also a professional musician who has worked with some of the top Christian artists in Georgia, and he married Hannah, the love of his life, in February 2006. They had their first child, Noah David, in the Fall of 2008, and are now expecting William David at the end of the year.

Scott Klusendorf, founder and president of Life Training Institute and author of "*The Case for Life*," sums up Josh's expertise in one sentence: "*Josh is an excellent communicator, a rising star, and one of the most talented young pro-life apologists I know.*"

For additional information on Mr. Brahm, visit Right to Life's website at www.FresnoProLife.org. Office: 559-229-BABY (2229)

Expertise

If you would like to have Josh give a talk at your event, here is a list of topics he is prepared to cover.

The Devil's Advocate

What would Jesus say to a pro-choicer? Have Josh come in to your group pretending to be a pro-choice advocate! Watch him use the best arguments the pro-choice side has to offer, debating your group to see what they have to say back. Are they ready to defend their views in a 1 Peter 3:15 kind of way? It's time to find out! Halfway through the presentation, you'll stand up and explain to the audience that this is actually a pro-life advocate, and then we'll coach your group on how to properly respond to people they disagree with. Your group won't forget this!

Making Abortion Unthinkable

Whether you are new to the pro-life world, or if you're an expert on the issue of abortion, you are sure to learn something in this presentation that is designed to challenge, educate and equip you on the abortion issue. Learn how to defend the pro-life position with air-tight scientific and philosophic arguments.

6 Faulty Pro-Life Arguments & Tactics

Want to be the most effective pro-life ambassador possible? This presentation will certainly help you do that! While surprising to some audiences, pro-lifers occasionally make arguments that are easily refutable. They also sometimes use tactics during abortion debates that are counter-productive. Josh carefully analyzes six examples in this presentation.

Responding to the Hard Cases for Abortion: Rape

There is no pro-choice argument that has more emotional weight than the question, "what if she was raped?" No stone will be left unturned as Josh trains his audience to respond appropriately to both the relational and intellectual challenges in this argument. You will also have the chance to role play and practice responding to this argument for abortion rights.

Responding to the Hard Cases for Abortion: Fetal Deformity & Life Threatening Situations

“What if the baby has a severe deformity that will cause her to die within hours of birth? Would you force the parents to go through the trauma of giving birth only to watch their child die the same day?” “What is the most appropriate way to respond to an ectopic pregnancy?” (There are 5 possible responses!) Josh will carefully discuss both of these difficult challenges.

Bodily Rights: The Toughest Abortion Argument

Properly understood, a refined version of Judith Jarvis-Thompson’s famous “Violinist Argument” is the most advanced and difficult argument for abortion choice to respond to. Don’t be caught with nothing to say! In this presentation, Josh trains his audience how to properly understand this argument, and how to respond.

Proving Pro-Life Points with Pro-Abortion Materials

Learn an effective way to debate the abortion issue: by using pro-abortion materials that contradict several pro-abortion arguments! Planned Parenthood officials are left speechless when they learn that a former president of Planned Parenthood wrote that life begins at conception, or that their own research refutes the claim that birth control access alone can end abortion!

Stem Cell Research 101: A “Brave New World”

As pro-lifers we need to understand stem cell research for the same reason we need to understand abortion: both wrongfully take the lives of innocent human beings. Do your teens understand it? How is stem cell research done? What are the differences between embryonic and adult stem cell research? What are the moral implications? How can I respond to common pro-embryonic stem cell arguments? These questions and more are answered in this presentation.

Stem Cell Research 201: What the Media is Not Telling You

This is the perfect sequel to the first stem cell presentation. Josh updates his audience on the cutting edge areas of stem cell science that has come out in the last two years. He then reviews how the media has handled recent stem cell stories, as well as making his audience examine the logical fallacies in President Obama’s speech when he signed the Executive Order to allow federal funding of destructive embryo research.

Human Cloning: Truth vs. Science Fiction

Is human cloning already going on? Why would people advocate cloning? These questions and more are answered in this presentation that utilizes popular science fiction movies like *The Island*, *Gattaca* and *Jurassic Park*.

Planned Parenthood Unveiled

Many people automatically associate Planned Parenthood with abortion. It's appropriate; they are the nation's leading abortion provider. However, there's a lot more to Planned Parenthood than just abortions. Learn how Planned Parenthood has been caught promoting violence against pro-lifers, protect statutory rapists, and more. Josh will even show documented proof that Planned Parenthood sells body parts of the babies they abort. You'll also learn about some common misconceptions pro-lifers have about Planned Parenthood's agenda in the African-American community.

In His Image

This sermon is meant for Christian audiences. Though critics say the Bible is silent on issues like abortion and cloning, Christians can bring moral clarity to these issues by asking three foundational questions: What does the Bible teach about human value; what does the Bible teach about the unborn, hence what is the unborn? The talk concludes with a discussion about our responsibility as Christians on abortion and embryo research.

Ignorance, Fear and Apathy: 3 Problems the Church Faces in Confronting Abortion

This message is meant for Christian audiences. Josh takes a hard look at the major reasons that many churches don't get involved in pro-life ministry, and why these reasons are flawed. Practical advice is given for Christians to be ready to engage with their sphere of influence on the issues most important to them, as well as instruction in equipping their pastors to be more actively pro-life.

The Professional Pro-Lifer

What will it take for the pro-life message to win in the nationwide battle of ideas? More pro-life professionals as opposed to pro-life "hobbyists." The other side employs thousands of people to advocate for the abortion side, but most pro-lifers are only active when they have time away from work. This talk is meant to reach young people, present them with the idea of becoming a full-time paid pro-lifer, and gives practical tips about how to do it.

Euthanasia: What's Really Going On?

A close look at assisted suicide and euthanasia: its history, its current practice in the Netherlands and Oregon, and its consequences.

What can Homeschoolers do about Abortion?

A challenge is given to homeschooling teachers to use the time with their teenagers well, and to prepare them to defend their beliefs on college campuses. A brief pro-life 101, and then examples of English projects, as well as pro-life projects in the subjects of Science, History, Politics/Law Process, Logic, and field trips.

Endorsements

“Josh Brahm is an **outstanding young talent**. Josh is an **excellent communicator** and a **rising star** in the field of pro-life apologetics. He does both extremely well. Josh is **fun to watch**. He not only **connects** well with his audience, he also demonstrates that the pro-life position is true and reasonable to believe. I highly recommend Josh’s speaking abilities, both for youth and adult audiences. **Josh Brahm is one of the most talented young pro-life apologists I know.**”

~ Scott Klusendorf, President, *Life Training Institute*

“When I think of **excellent pro-life thinkers**, I think of Josh Brahm. This man knows how to articulate the pro-life position in a way that compels you to act. His podcast at ProLifePodcast.net is a must for anyone seeking a **timely and insightful analysis** of current pro-life issues. He is a **model** for other pro-lifers by being **winsome and gracious** on this very sensitive subject. Most importantly, I’m **confident his work will save the lives of many unborn children.**”

~ Alan Shlemon, Speaker/Trainer, *Stand to Reason*

“**Keep an eye on Josh**. He's an up-and-comer in the pro-life movement. Josh is gifted in the areas of **pro-life apologetics and communication**. I’m grateful he is involved in this work full-time.”

~ Jill Stanek, Speaker, Blogger, Weekly Columnist for *WorldNetDaily.com*

“Josh has **excellent knowledge** of pro-life arguments, the desire to reach our youth, and the courage to be **committed to the truth**. In other words, **he has exactly the tools needed to make a difference in today's cultural climate.**”

~ Dr. Richard Poupard, Blogmaster and Podcast host, *Life Training Institute*

“**I was pro-choice** before Sunday, because I was completely ignorant. I had no clue how abortions happened, no clue about statistics, no clue about anything really. I feel stupid for having such an uneducated opinion before, but I’m glad that’s changed. **I’m definitely pro-life now.**”

~ Rachel, Student, Johnson Ferry Baptist Church, Marietta, GA

“I used to be pro-choice. Today I became pro-life. I used to believe that nobody has the right to tell a woman what they can and cannot do in a medical situation. After your explanation I came to the realization that I was wrong. Your reasoning has helped me better understand the abortion debate. I am happy to say that I am now at peace with my Christian beliefs. Thank you for touching my faith, helping me grow in my belief, and be a good ambassador of Jesus.”

~ Arieana, Student, San Joaquin Memorial High School, Fresno, CA

“I have to say that Josh has done an amazing job framing the abortion issue, and I don’t see how the pro-choice side could ever win a debate against anyone using his arguments. After seeing what abortion is, and hearing the **scientific** and **philosophic** arguments, **what can the pro-choice side say to disprove it?”**

~ Unnamed liberal teacher at *Kennesaw State University*

“I’ve never had so many students come up to me after and tell me how much they loved youth group that night. Josh does a great job of not only testing the students, but of **training** them as well. **Josh has a gift,** and I believe **it is a necessity** to have him come and teach on something that he knows more about than any of us youth pastors. **Students and staff loved it. It challenged everyone! You will not be disappointed.”**

~ Jason Kinzel, Youth Pastor, *Bethany Church*
after Josh did "The Devil's Advocate" at his youth group

“Inviting Josh to speak to our group was one of the best ideas we have had. He brought a **powerful and clear message** to our students that is **causing them to think and react differently** in their world today.”

~ Ron “Pup” Nelson, Youth Pastor, *Northpark Community Church*
after Josh did "The Devil's Advocate" at his youth group

“Thanks so much for your presentation to our kids yesterday. Not only were the students engaged, but the teachers were excited by the stimulating discussion which followed. For middle school students to be captivated, there has to be a combination of **content** and **presentation style...you had both,** and I look forward to following through on our plans to make this a more regular experience next year.

~ Tom Spencer, Principal, *St. Joachim School, Madera, CA*

“When I introduced Josh at the beginning of our discussion, nobody in the group knew how to react. I gathered that they had never had their private space so invaded by someone proclaiming such radically different views than they were taught to believe. That night, **the students learned a lot** about **why they believe what they believe** as well as how to play their role in protecting the lives of unborn children.”

~ Jeff Zimmerman, Youth Pastor, *The Bridge Church*
after Josh did "The Devil's Advocate" at his youth group

“The very first banquet held by Trinity Pregnancy Center was declared a success by all who attended. Josh Brahm spoke with **clarity** and **passion** in how to frame the pro-life debate. Our attendees said they felt Josh effectively educated them, and they were very impressed with his **practical insight**. Josh brings a **powerful argument** in the way he frames the pro-life debate. The youth groups that volunteered to help with the banquet have asked for another presentation from Josh. I would strongly recommend Josh for any opportunity to present his outstanding message.”

~ Darlene Moles, Board Secretary,
Trinity Pregnancy Resource Center, Chowchilla, CA

“I invited Josh Brahm to Trinidad after listening to several of his podcasts, reading his articles, chatting with him and listening to his talk at the Trinity Pregnancy Resource Center. I felt Josh had just the right combination to **share the pro-life message to a broad cross section of people** from a different culture to his own including non-Christians. Having met Josh and shared the platform with him at several events and radio broadcasts, he certainly bore this out. Josh is **gracious, honest and logical** and he presents the pro life message **unashamedly** with **intelligence, warmth, love and passion**. A rare but much needed combination in the landscape of pro-life speakers. **Josh is an ambassador for the truth** regarding the sanctity of life and I highly recommend him to speak at any pro-life event targeting any audience. **I would invite Josh back to Trinidad in a heartbeat.**”

~ Rebekah Ali-Gouveia, Attorney at Law and Founder/Executive Director,
The Elpis Pregnancy Centre, Freeport, Trinidad & Tobago

“Josh Brahm’s presentation of the sanctity of human life and the reasoning behind the pro-life movement was an **unexpected blend of humor, truth, and reality** to a very mixed audience. To those who understand the sacrificed numbers of human babies through abortion, the link to genocide of the Jews was **very powerful**. Josh did a great job in presenting his reasoning to those he has debated.”

~ Pat Goosev, Executive Director,
Turning Point Pregnancy Care Center of Kerman, CA

“Josh’s presentations are **solid, deep, cutting edge, helpful and honoring to Christ and His Word**. Youth Groups across the state will benefit from the time they prayerfully spend with Josh Brahm and the presentations he delivers.”

~ Dean Conkel, Youth Ministries Coordinator,
Presbyterian Church of America, National Office

“Josh Brahm brings a **fresh** sense to the microphone when he speaks. He gave us some refined tools to help us in talking with those who profess to be pro-choice rather than for life. **Common sense** is what Josh brought to our Rally and many attendees were **abuzz** with what he presented. It’s nice to hear material that can help us in this battle and be able to keep it in our arsenal and use it when the time comes. I would **highly recommend** having Josh share his **insights and experiences** with you. **Josh Brahm is one of the best kept secrets in California!**”

~ Alan Unterreiner, President, *United For Life of Merced County*

“Josh Brahm’s presentations are **exceptional**. He was **engaging** the entire time. Josh has been a **real gift** to our youth group.

~ Marianne Byers, Youth Director, *St. Mary’s Church, Fresno*

“At this time, when the pro-life movement was in the dumps because of the Presidential election, **yours was the voice we needed to hear**. You gave us all a lift and made the rally a memorable event.”

~ Carl Gregory, Merced

Responses to Josh's Podcast

"Life Report is more than another pro-life podcast. Josh Brahm transcends the technology by using Life Report to ask the right questions. The right questions are those that elicit opinions from both sides of the aisle, offers everyone an opportunity to express themselves, captures our attention, challenges the way we think and by way of highly creative conversation, confronts the conclusions we're holding close to the vest. **Life Report is what communication looks like in the future.**"

~Walter Hoye, Founder and President, Issues4Life Foundation

"**I'm actually pro-choice**, but I think you guys are the most intelligent and affable pro-lifers on the air."

~Matt

"**I'm pro-choice**, but the way that this clip portrays your show I think you're doing a very good job. No bashing going on, I think a civil discussion is great. And you can actually be entertaining."

~John

"**Although I'm pro-choice**, I'm a frequent listener of your show, and have listened to about two thirds of your show's archives. On a personal note, compared to most pro-lifers I see in the media, I find you and your radio show to be far more knowledgeable, not to mention cordial."

~Mary

"Hey, I just listened to your podcast for the first time. I was very impressed. The arguments presented were **intelligent, relevant**, and you **didn't make any illogical appeals to emotion.**"

~Mike

"Your approach towards the pro-life argument is exactly what I was looking for: **calm, open and rational.**"

~Paul

"The podcast is **amazing**. It's not even a 101 course, but a 202! At first you think these bunch of friends are sitting around beaming cheetos at one another and the next minute you're sitting up saying, 'Man, I need to be taking notes, here!'"

~Karen

Curriculum Vitae / Resume

CONFERENCES

- ❖ Georgia Students for Life Conference, Atlanta, GA
- ❖ Pro-Life Youth Alliance 2006, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Pro-Life Youth Alliance 2007, Fresno, CA
- ❖ CA-Life Summer Camp 2008, Oakhurst, CA
- ❖ Turn Your Campus 2009, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Abortion: From Debate to Dialogue, Woodstock, GA
- ❖ Abortion: From Debate to Dialogue, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Abortion: From Debate to Dialogue, Visalia, CA
- ❖ Abortion: From Debate to Dialogue, Pasadena, CA
- ❖ Monthly Training Series: "Defending Life," Fresno, CA

RALLIES

- ❖ Keynote at Merced United for Life Rally, Merced Courthouse, Merced, GA
- ❖ Keynote at White County GOP Meeting, GA
- ❖ Fresno 40 Days for Life '08 "Day 1" Rally, Fresno City Hall, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Fresno 40 Days for Life '08 "Day 20" Rally, The Bridge Church, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Fresno 40 Days for Life '08 Victory Rally, Peoples Church, Fresno, CA
- ❖ National Day of Prayer, Selma, CA
- ❖ Fresno 40 Days for Life '09 "Day 1" Rally, Fresno City Hall, Fresno, CA

PREGNANCY CARE CENTERS

- ❖ Walton Pregnancy Care Center, Walton, GA
- ❖ Women's Enrichment Center, Dalton, GA
- ❖ Turning Point Pregnancy Care Center, Kerman, CA
- ❖ Pregnancy Care Center, Fayette, GA
- ❖ Trinity Pregnancy Resource Center, Chowchilla, CA
- ❖ The Elpis Centre, Trinidad

DEBATES

- ❖ Debate on abortion against representative from *Atlanta Feminist Women's Health Center* (Abortion Facility), Emory University, Atlanta, GA
- ❖ Debate on abortion against Paris Hatcher, Program Coordinator, *Georgians For Choice*, Clark Atlanta University, Atlanta, GA
- ❖ Debate on abortion against Kay Scott, Executive Director, *Planned Parenthood Georgia*, Decatur High School, Decatur, GA
- ❖ Live Radio Debate with Becky Rafter, Executive Director, *National Abortion Rights Action League (NARAL) GA*; Air America Radio

SCHOOLS

- ❖ Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, GA
- ❖ White County Christian Learning Center, Cleveland, GA
- ❖ Our Lady of Mercy High School, Fairburn, GA
- ❖ Blessed Trinity High School, Roswell, GA
- ❖ St. Jude's Catholic School, Atlanta, GA
- ❖ Pinecrest Academy, Cumming, GA
- ❖ Arlington Christian School, Atlanta, GA
- ❖ Boys and Girls Club, Conyers, GA
- ❖ Parkwood Christian Academy, Lilburn, GA
- ❖ Hoover High School, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Washington Union High School, Easton, CA
- ❖ San Joaquin Memorial High School, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Yosemite High School, Oakhurst, CA
- ❖ St. Joachim School, Madera, CA
- ❖ Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, Fresno, CA
- ❖ St. Anthony of Padua School, Fresno, CA

MEDIA APPEARANCES (Partial Listing Only)

- ❖ Interviewed by *Focus on the Family's* radio show, *Family News in Focus*, nationally syndicated show reaching roughly two million listeners
- ❖ Interviewed by *Catholic Answers Live*, nationally syndicated radio show
- ❖ Interviewed by *Ignite the Fight*, nationally syndicated radio show
- ❖ 4 appearances on *Atlanta Live*, WATC
- ❖ 7 appearances on *Yesterday, Today and Forever*, KNXT
- ❖ 4 interviews on *Point of View*, WGTJ
- ❖ Appearance on *Time for Truth*, TVS Cable 12, Channel 24, KY
- ❖ Appearance on *Talk City 91.1 FM - Port of Spain*, Trinidad
- ❖ Appearance on *ISAAC 98.1 FM - Port of Spain*, Trinidad

CHURCHES (Partial Listing Only)

- ❖ McEachurn Methodist Church, Powder Springs, GA
- ❖ St. John Neuman Church, Lilburn, GA
- ❖ Grace Community Church, Marietta, GA
- ❖ Woodstock First Baptist, Woodstock, GA
- ❖ St. Philip Benizi, Jonesboro, GA
- ❖ First Presbyterian Church, Macon, GA
- ❖ Rocky Ford Baptist Church, Rocky Ford, GA
- ❖ Bethany Christian Center, GA
- ❖ Davis Chapel Baptist, GA
- ❖ Ephesus Baptist, Villa Rica, GA
- ❖ First Baptist of Fairburn, Fairburn, GA
- ❖ Congregation Beth Hallel, Roswell, GA
- ❖ Trinity Chapel, Powder Springs, GA
- ❖ North Point Baptist Church, Carrolton, GA
- ❖ St. James Catholic Church, Mcdonough, GA

- ❖ Passion Church, Covington, GA
- ❖ St. Brigid's Catholic Church, Alpharetta, GA
- ❖ Faith Christian Fellowship, Blackshear, GA
- ❖ Johnson Ferry Baptist, Marietta, GA
- ❖ Hebron Baptist Church, Dacula, GA
- ❖ Summit Baptist Church, Loganville, GA
- ❖ Holy Spirit Catholic, Atlanta, GA
- ❖ Mt. Vernon Baptist, Atlanta, GA
- ❖ St. John Neumann Catholic Church, Lilburn, GA
- ❖ Transfiguration Catholic Church, Atlanta, GA
- ❖ St. Pius X Catholic Church, Conyers, GA
- ❖ Mt. Olive Baptist, Pearson, GA
- ❖ Holy Trinity, Decatur, GA
- ❖ Midway Community Church, Alpharetta, GA
- ❖ Gray United Methodist Church, Gray, GA
- ❖ Little River Church of God, Blackshear, GA
- ❖ St. Augustine Catholic Church, Thomasville, GA
- ❖ Fayette County Library, Fayette, GA
- ❖ Prince of Peace Catholic Church, Flowery Branch, GA
- ❖ Selma Ministerial Association, Selma, CA
- ❖ Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Warner Robins, GA
- ❖ Ironworks Men's Group, Fresno, CA
- ❖ First Christian Church, Visalia, CA
- ❖ St. Mary's Catholic Church, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Clovis EV Free, Fresno, CA
- ❖ People's Church, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Cornerstone Bible Church, Lilburn, GA
- ❖ Corinth Baptist Church, Jonesboro, GA
- ❖ Southern Crescent Church of Christ, Tyrone, GA
- ❖ St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Reedley, CA
- ❖ St. Mary's Catholic Church, Sanger, CA
- ❖ Grace Community Church, Visalia, CA
- ❖ The Branch Community Church, Sugar Hill, GA
- ❖ The Bridge Church, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Northpark Community Church, Fresno, CA
- ❖ St. Josephs Catholic Church, Selma, CA
- ❖ St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Bethany Church, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Clovis, CA
- ❖ Secular Franciscans at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Deacon Preparatory Seminar, Fresno Diocese, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Hilmar, CA
- ❖ Covenant Reformed Evangelical Church, Upper Carapichaima, Trinidad
- ❖ Faith Assembly International, Arouca, Trinidad
- ❖ St. Anthony Mary Claret Catholic Church, Fresno, CA
- ❖ Fresno Diocese High School Student Leadership Training Seminar, Fresno, CA

MINISTRY POSITIONS

- ❖ (2008-present) Director of Education & Public Relations, *Right to Life of Central CA, Fresno/Madera Office*
- ❖ (2008-present) Host, *Life Report: Pro-Life Talk. Real World Answers* podcast
- ❖ (2005-2007) Director of Education & Public Relations, *Georgia Right to Life*
- ❖ (2003-2005) Founder & President, *Georgia Teens for Life*