

These Powerful Images May Be Key in Destroying Roe v. Wade

As a trained sonographer, Maria Christopoulos is passionate about the unborn.

"I talk to them. That is my life calling," Christopoulos told CBN News. "That is my passion. That is my job."

"Their hearing is amazing; vision maybe not so good but not only do we talk to them, they respond," Christopoulos said.

After years as a vice president in the banking industry, Christopoulos developed a desire to help pregnant women and their unborn children. It grew so strong that she quit her job to become an ultrasound technician.

"About 17 years ago—and 3D, 4D was introduced, and I can remember an 'aha moment' for me at that time where I felt, *Oh wow, the preborn now have a voice to speak for themselves*," she said. "And that was powerful enough for me to change my career path and go on that way with confidence."

As head of PregnantSee, a company in Fairfax, Virginia that offers 3, 4 and 5-D ultrasounds, Christopoulos provides a unique experience for moms to see their growing baby in astonishing detail.

"They blink. You can tell if they're lefties or righties. They have reflexes. They hiccup. They open their eyes. You see their lashes. You see hair. You see dimples when they smile. You see them frowning. There is nothing they cannot do," explained Christopoulos.

She said many are amazed by what they see on the screen.

"The initial thing is shock," she said. "They cannot believe that what they're seeing is real. That it's within them."

Ultrasounds have also made a powerful difference in the fight for life. Ninety-three percent of women who have ultrasounds choose to keep their babies.

“At 40 Days for Life, we see so many women who choose life after seeing their baby on an ultrasound, particularly when there’s more than one baby—twins,” said 40 Days for Life president Shawn Carney. “We just had a set of triplets saved during this last fall campaign.”

The Crisis Pregnancy Center of Tidewater performs hundreds of ultrasounds each year. While they are not HD, the 2D sonograms they offer still make a difference.

“A lot of times our patients come in and they’re not really sure how they’re feeling about being pregnant so, the ultrasound really just makes it more real to them,” Paige Coulter, director of medical services at CPC, said in an interview with CBN News. “A lot of times they’re just uninformed. They’re just told the pregnancy is a blob of tissue, a clump of cells.”

Such scientific advancements come at a time when the legality of abortion is being challenged.

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