



LIFE CHAIN
2 – 3:30 p.m.
October 24, 2021



LIFE CHAIN is a time for prayer. During the Life Chain hour, idle chatter, frivolity, and waving or responses to motorists are **strongly discouraged**. In order to provide an orderly and physically lengthy visual statement it is strongly urged that adult participants **space themselves out at intervals of about 25 feet.**

Donations are not necessary, but thank you to anyone who donates funds to help pay for the costs of promoting Life Chain, as well as the general operating expenses of Christian Voices for Life. Contributions may also be sent to Christian Voices for Life, PO Box 18882, Sugar Land, TX 77496. We may be contacted at Marie@ChristianVoicesforLife.org

Church: St. Laurence

PLEASE WEAR RED

You will pick up your sign on: October 23 at the Corpus Christi Room after the 5 pm mass or October 24 at the Corpus Christi Room after all the morning masses.

Assigned section of Hwy 6: NE side, Williams Trace to Settlers Way and SW side 1st Community Credit Union to Settlers Way

Those unable to comfortably stand for 1 ½ hours may bring a lawn chair to use. Please be prepared for exposure to the weather - **Life Chain will be held RAIN or SHINE.** Eating should only be done by young children, drinking water is fine in warm weather. **Parents must be responsible to supervise their children.** Strollers are welcome. Please maintain a spirit of Christian love, being peaceful, prayerful, and polite, in word and deed.

Please **do not block** any movement by vehicles or pedestrians. **Do not BLOCK THE VIEW OF DRIVERS trying to turn onto Hwy 6.** Please **stay at a safe distance from the traffic** and cross ONLY at the crosswalks. Please do not respond to motorists or passersby. Police will deal with (unlikely) disruptions.

Signs should be held FACING traffic, not parallel to the street, not out over the curb.

Parking: Carpools are encouraged to avoid parking problems. **PLEASE do NOT PARK in front of open businesses.** There may be spaces BEHIND buildings. Please cooperate with block captain volunteers in the gold T-shirts. Participants understand that they are responsible for their own safety and that of their children. Neither Christian Voices for Life nor participating churches bear any responsibility for the safety of participants.

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Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. Where do we park?** Participants are encouraged to car pool from their church to minimize parking problems. We do NOT have express permission to park at any particular businesses. **Please do not take up spaces in front of open businesses.** There will be empty lots where businesses are closed, the building is vacant, or even behind the retail strips. Some blocks without stores will only have parking on side streets.
- 2. What should I bring?** Be prepared to stay outdoors for an hour and a half, in weather that may change. That means hats, umbrellas, or ponchos for rain, sun screen, hat or umbrella for sun, water for heat, etc. Food may be brought for young children. If you are unable to comfortably stand for 90 minutes, you may bring a folding chair. Of course, bring your Life Chain sign!
- 3. What about safety?** Please be very aware of the dangers of the traffic. Small children should be closely supervised – little feet can move strollers! Stay well back from the traffic, and do not attempt to cross the road other than at a crosswalk.
- 4. What do I do for 90 minutes?** First, **spread yourselves out across the entire space** assigned to your church. Hold your sign perpendicular to the road, so it is clearly visible to oncoming drivers. The back of the sign contains some song lyrics and prayer topics. During the time of Life Chain, **please pray** that hearts will be touched among those who see the signs. **Pray** that women who are tempted to abort will find the support and grace they need to choose life. **Pray** that women and everyone who has been harmed by past abortions will repent and find forgiveness and healing. **Pray** for conversion for those who perform, sell, and promote abortion. During the time of the Chain, you may be offered a handout containing pro-life information, in case you have not already received it at your church. You will also be asked to fill out a response form, to indicate if you might be interested in getting involved with other pro-life activities.
- 5. What is the Code of Conduct?** Basically, we are simply asking you to act as considerate and loving Christians. Be peaceful, prayerful, and polite. Do not block any cars or pedestrians from going where they want to go. Do not block the visibility of drivers or of signs for businesses. Do not extend the sign out into the roadway. **Do not respond** in any way to any negative responses from motorists. **Life Chain is a time of prayer, not idle conversation or waving at passersby.** Offer your assistance to those around you who may need help with small children, chairs, etc. Pick up any trash around you as you leave.
- 6. Can I keep my sign?** If you wish to use your sign for other pro-life activities, such as praying outside an abortion facility, you may certainly keep your sign. However, we appreciate receiving back the signs each year to minimize the number we must purchase the following year. At 3:30, please give your signs to one of the block volunteers who will be collecting them.
- 7. Why Wear Red?** Red is the color of the blood of the innocents slaughtered by abortion, and of the blood of Jesus which saves us all from our sins. The solidarity of so many people wearing red adds impact to our statement and increases public notice.