

The Catholic Women's League of Canada
Alberta Mackenzie Provincial Council

Christian Family Life ORAL REPORT for Convention (May 2010)

Madam President,

It is wonderful to be among such beautiful Catholic women of Peace and Hope.

I hope that all have visited my table and reviewed the material.

Thank you all for your prayers during the vote on the Euthanasia Bill.

I would like to bring to your attention the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition Newsletter <www.epcc.ca>. A copy of this newsletter is on my table. Each council and Diocese is encouraged to register to receive this newsletter. We need to be informed about this issue. We need to write letters and meet with local members of parliament about sanctity of life to reiterate the crucial importance of the provision of excellent palliative care.

We must be very active in Pro-Life movements. I encourage each council to be members of a Pro-Life group and to actively participating in the March for Life.

A workshop is available through National called "Rainbow and Flowers" <[www.cwl.ca/Programs/Rainbow and Flowers.pdf](http://www.cwl.ca/Programs/Rainbow%20and%20Flowers.pdf)>. It was developed using World Peace: a family recipe. This is a reflection on vocation of marriage and family and the importance of passing peace on to the next generation by being a sign of peace in the family. I have a few copies on my table and the web address for you to download.

I would like to refer you to the website for the Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association <www.chpca.net>. It is a Canadian Government initiative to improve care to our elders.

Christian Family Life Chairpersons are encouraged to offer mentorship to the Catholic Girls' League Councils. This is one way that we can help young girls in our Parishes by providing them with Faith, Formation, Fun and Fulfillment models. They will eventually become valuable CWL members. I challenge each Diocese to establish a committee to mentor councils as they form their CGLs, so that we have as many councils as possible by next year's Convention. Please call me if you need any help, as I am very passionate about this.

In these times, we need to pray more than ever for Vocations. Please refer to the Winter 2010 edition of *The Canadian League* magazine for the article "A Gentle Call" by Ethel Gravelle.

My challenge to each member is to pray for the Elders, Youth, Families, Vocations and especially for our Priests in this the Year for Priests.

This concludes my report.
Yvette F.