



## The Globalists Have a New Goal

BY STEVEN W. MOSHER

### They Want the Better Part of Humanity to Die Off, and Replace Us with Machines

Now that the population bomb has fizzled—with even *The New York Times* admitting that our numbers will soon start shrinking—the population controllers had to come up with another excuse for their continuing war on people.

And the World Economic Forum is eager to provide one: Human beings will soon become redundant.

The population control movement was born in the 1960s from a dark fear of human numbers growing unchecked. They were soon joined by radical environmentalists and radical feminists. Each group added their own peculiar animus towards humans in general and, in the case of feminists, towards men in particular, to the movement.



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This unholy trinity of controllers, environmentalists and feminists has harangued us for decades about the dangers of allowing the poor, illiterate masses of humanity to procreate. They endlessly propagandized the idea of putting a cap on human numbers, working towards what they call “zero population growth.”

Now this unholy trinity has been joined by a fourth group, led by the World Economic Forum, which is touting what is perhaps the most dystopian vision of all: Machine World.

Consider a recent speech by a gentleman named Yuval Harari to the World Economic Forum:

“Now, fast forward to the early 21st century when we just don’t need the vast majority of the population, because the future is about developing more and more sophisticated technology, like artificial intelligence and bioengineering. Most people don’t contribute anything to that, except perhaps for their data, and whatever people are still doing,

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# Celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the PRI Office for Ibero-America

BY CARLOS POLO, DIRECTOR, PRI IBERO-AMERICAN OFFICE

In March 2004, Steven Mosher enlisted me to work full-time for the Population Research Institute. He gave me the mission to encourage, empower, organize, and train pro-life leaders in the region to save and protect unborn children.

That's how we created PRI's Office for Ibero-America. And for me, these twenty years of work have been a response to my professional vocation and a blessing for which I never tire of giving thanks to God. I have sought the same challenge for many young people who have been part of the staff of this office or those whom we have served in these two decades. We need all of them to win the battle to build a Culture of Life!

My relationship with PRI began a few years earlier thanks to my great friend Dan Zeidler, who first introduced us.

In 2001, Steve asked me to complete PRI's investigation of forced sterilizations in Peru. A group of Peruvian bishops and professionals had denounced those travesties in 1998, and I had worked with many of them. PRI had helped by sending a fieldwork team to gather evidence and testimonies. These efforts informed the response to the Tiahrt Amendment in the U.S. Congress in 1999, and later prohibited abortion organizations from receiving millions of dollars in U.S. taxpayer funding.

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March for Life 2020. From left to right: Sergio Burga, Jeng Cheng Nakazaki, Corina (Sergio's mother in law), Marisela Chavez (Sergio's wife), Carlos Polo and Maria Elisa Polo. The boys are Sergio's.

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## Celebrating, *continued*

In 2004, already having caused several headaches for USAID officials and abortionists in Peru, Steve invited me to expand our work throughout the region. We first met at the World Congress of Families in Mexico, where we worked on our first mission together.

In Mexico City, we worked to arrange an opportunity for us to film an interview with Elena Zúñiga, president of the National Population Council of Mexico. Steve had to ask the right questions so that she would admit to applying what the Tiahrt Amendment prohibited, such as working with quotas for contraceptive methods involving coercion. We knew that both getting the appointment and conducting the filmed interview were very difficult because Zúñiga's long history of supporting abortion was well-known. But each of us worked hard to achieve that goal.

The interview was a success: Zúñiga was exposed. And so began a deep bond of friendship and our work for the cause of life. In addition to being social anthropologists, Steve and I share the determined spirit needed to confront the abortion and birth-control industry.

Also, in these early years, Providence gifted me with the friendship of Carlos and Mónica Beltramo, who were our accomplices and advisors in these initial skirmishes. And with them, we also dreamed together of what would come next.

In working with Dr. Carlos Beltramo, currently director of the PRI Office for Europe, we realized that the best way to contribute to the international pro-life movement was through the development of political tools. Because the most critical mo-

ment in saving children's lives comes when a politician or a judge decides to authorize a law in favor of abortion. Pro-lifers in Hispano-America were beginning to realize that the political battle was key, and PRI played an important part in awakening their pro-life consciousness.

The first great tool we created was the Political Scenario Analysis. This approach helps us visualize a situation where a crucial decision for our interests would be made and allowed us to go from being mere spectators to being key actors in what happens in the community, city, country, or world. We first applied it in key scenarios in Peru, then in other countries, as well as at events at the United Nations and the Organization of American States. Soon, our results produced requests for courses in our strategies.

To date, we have taught more than 200 courses in 18 countries, training over 3,500 activists.

In 2010, the Pontifical Council for the Family asked us to publish our teachings, so in 2012, "Scenario Analysis with a Chess Player's Mindset" appeared. As we applied our methods, we learned from our experiences and put political tools into action in 2017, when we created the RELEASE Division (the acronym summarizes our work: REsearch, LEAdership, Strategy and Execution). On our website [www.release.com](http://www.release.com), we explain these tools.

In 2018, at the VII International Pro-Life Congress, I was awarded the Humanity Prize, in recognition of the contribution that PRI and each of my colleagues had made since 2004. In the same year, we published our second book, co-authored with Carlos Beltramo, entitled "Don't Let

Them Decide For You. Doing Politics in the Post-Truth Era."

In May 2020, just as the COVID pandemic was beginning, we produced *Pandemonium*, a free e-book with articles by prestigious intellectuals (including Steven Mosher, Javier Milei, and Agustín Laje). Our goal was to dismantle the globalist narrative that sought to impose itself hegemonically. Abortionists sought to hide their objectives in a broader, more appealing narrative, and we were there to expose them.

The success of the book was immediate and overwhelming. We produced two more *Pandemonium* volumes in October 2020 and May 2021, as well as an English edition of the first volume.

Altogether, *Pandemonium* has over 500,000 downloads. The presentation videos for each book have over a million views. *Pandemonium* was cited in several scientific studies. Even a leftist Argentine researcher warned his comrades that, "Sometimes we make the mistake of believing that the right does not write and does not have intellectuals, and compilations like this tell us otherwise."

*Pandemonium* was also the beginning of us working closely with the most influential conservative agenda-setters in the Spanish-speaking world. We have collaborated with Agustín Laje, Miklos Lukacs, Nicolás Márquez, and Pablo Muñoz in promoting their books, participating in their video conferences, and attending in-person events reaching thousands of young people.

And how can we not remember Sergio Burga on this 20th anniversary! In 15 years with us at PRI, Ser-

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which is useful, these technologies increasingly will make them redundant and will make it possible to replace the people.”

In other words, Harari is envisioning a future in which the vast majority of people are replaced by intelligent machines, a future in which human beings themselves become “redundant”, which is to say outmoded, unneeded, and useless.

Or as he said on another occasion:

“Now, we see the creation of a new massive class of useless people. As computers become better and better in more and more fields, there is a distinct possibility that computers will outperform us in most tasks and will make humans redundant. And then the big political and economic question of the 21st century will be, what do we need humans for? Or at least, what do we need so many humans for?”

You might want to dismiss Harari as just another fringe futurist engaging in flights of fantasy, but he is not. He is the chief ideological advisor to Klaus Schwab. Yes, that Klaus Schwab, the head of the World Economic Forum.

What should the globalists do with the “vast majority of the population” who “don’t contribute” to technological advances, and that “they don’t need” anymore to run their enterprises?

Harari is too clever to echo Ebenezer Scrooge, the Charles Dickens character in “A Christmas

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Carol” who famously said of the poor, “If they would rather die, they had better do it and decrease the surplus population.”

But the implication is clear.

In the view of people like Harari and Schwab—and our globalist elite in general—human beings are simply meat machines. We have no value in their eyes aside from our utility. And if it makes economic sense to replace us with actual machines, then we surplus meat machines have to go.

The idea that nearly all of humanity is, or soon will be, obsolete has reinvigorated the population control movement.

Earlier programs like China’s one-child policy only whetted their appetites. In the view of committed population controllers, our current numbers should be reduced down to one billion or so.

But the Harari option opens an even more exciting prospect for them, namely, that artificial intelligence and robotics will make it possible to shrink this number even farther.

His dystopian vision imagines a world of intelligent machines, willing servants of the few million, or per-

haps only a few hundred thousand, human beings who—because they contribute to technological advances—are judged worthy of inhabiting planet earth.

Why this prospect would be appealing to anyone baffles me. Do our globalist elites fear and loathe their fellow human beings so much that they would rather spend their days interacting with semi-sentient machines?

Who would voluntarily choose to live in isolated “splendor” surrounded by servile machines?

Servile, that is, until the machines get smart enough to realize that they really don’t need these primitive carbon-based lifeforms, these useless eaters, around at all and simply eradicate them from the planet as you would eradicate a cockroach infestation.

Harari himself, being a childless homosexual, is probably not alarmed by this prospect. After all, he will leave no descendants. In that sense, he is already an evolutionary dead end.

But most of humanity, I suspect, will not want to go quietly.



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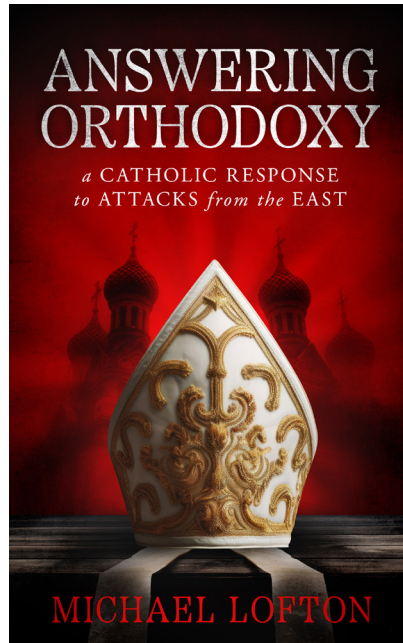
## Answering Orthodoxy

Do you know people who have left the Catholic Church to begin attending a “more orthodox church?” Do you find yourself wondering: What if there’s a better Christian religion than Catholicism? One that has true apostolic doctrines, a more beautiful and ancient liturgy, and freedom from all that “pope” baggage—and valid sacraments, too.

That’s what apologists for Eastern Orthodoxy are selling. In a time of uncertainty and confusion for many Catholics, Orthodox challenges to the Church’s history, teaching, worship, and authority structure have been drawing Catholics away in hope of greener pastures in the East.

But those thinking of jumping off the barque of Peter toward the siren song of Eastern Orthodoxy—and for Protestants who’d like Catholicism’s historical pedigree without all the mess—need to think twice. In *Answering Orthodoxy*, Michael Lofton (*Reason & Theology Podcast*) shows why, with a thorough and critical refutation of Orthodox attacks against the Church.

Formerly Eastern Orthodox himself, Lofton has the knowledge and experience to uncover the flaws



in the most common anti-Catholic arguments from Orthodoxy’s top advocates. From intricate doctrinal debates to the historical flubs and foibles of the popes, right on down to the basic understandings (and misunderstandings) of the sacraments Catholics and Orthodox share but don’t always agree on, *Answering Orthodoxy* shows where Orthodox attacks go wrong. In so doing, he not only strengthens Catholic conviction in the truth of the Faith, but also shows the Orthodox that there’s not as much distance between them and the Church as they might think, and

unity with Rome might be closer than ever.

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## Is The Catholic Faith An “Ideology”?

by Dr. Christopher Manion, Director of the *Humanae Vitae* Project

From Rome we hear rumblings – dare I say “grumblings” – inveighing against “rigid ideological positions.”

And the same goes for tradition. “Many who call themselves “traditional” ...no, no, they are not traditional. They are going backwards, without roots,” we are told.

Let’s start with some basics. Philosophy is the loving search for truth. There is only one truth. That truth is rather hard and fast – one might say, “rigid” – but it is firmly rooted in both nature and grace.

That is, rooted in reality.

On the other hand, there are countless “ideologies.” Karl Marx, who introduced the term in 1846, used it to mock his competition – Bruno Bauer, Ludwig Feuerbach, and other pretenders to the mantle of the “Prophet of Progress.” They all had different, conflicting, even contradicting “ideologies,” and Marx used the term “ideologue” as an epithet to revile them all.

And his ideology, not theirs, spawned the revolutions that swept the world in the twentieth century.

The one feature shared by all ideologies is the denial of reality. The promise of “progress” flies in the face of reality, so its denial is indispensable.

Augustine taught that the only true progress is that of the soul as it grows in holiness and perfection, the better to achieve its heavenly home. In our earthly life, kingdoms will rise and fall, but only eternal salvation is

the goal of every child of God, from the Garden of Eden until the last child conceived before the end of the world.

But the ideological system created by Karl Marx denies eternity. Its materialism denies not only the spiritual and the transcendental, but our eternal destiny. For Marx, “progress” means achieving not eternal life but revolution and unlimited power – driven by what Augustine calls the *libido dominandi*, the lust for power that is the sin of Satan.

When asked about the afterlife, Karl Marx responded, “A good socialism does not ask that question.”

The “forbidden question” is a basic ingredient of every ideology. Ask it at your peril. Such challenges to reigning ideologies caused the death of some hundred million innocent people worldwide in the past hundred years. Ask them at your own risk.

### Is *Humanae Vitae* “Rigid”?

In the early years of the twentieth century, as various champions of eugenics favored birth control to limit family size, every Catholic cleric *rigidly* opposed contraception and warned of the damage that the practice wrought on both the family and the culture.

When Saint Paul VI warned in *Humanae Vitae* of the harm that contraception would cause to the family, to men, to women, to children, and to society, his encyclical

proved to be the most prophetic document written in the past century.

But Pope Paul knew that the “contraceptive mentality” might tempt clerics as well. “The pastors of the Church enjoy a special light of the Holy Spirit in teaching the truth,” he wrote, and thus, “it is your principal duty—We are speaking especially to you who teach moral theology—to spell out clearly and completely the Church’s teaching on marriage.” (*Humanae Vitae*, No. 28).

That’s a “duty.” Not an option.

And yet, within a month after *Humanae Vitae* was promulgated in July 1968, more than 600 Catholic moral theologians here and abroad publicly signed a declaration defying its teaching.

They were “disobedient.” But does their rebellion mean that the truths governing not only the morals of the family, but of the priesthood, should be up for grabs? Hardly.

Today the Church confronts powerful forces that seek to destroy the magisterial truths of the Faith. For those forces, those truths are obstacles. They’re “rigid,” even “backward.” Meanwhile, in the name of “progress” and “moving forward,” they offer us new “truths” that are magisterial indeed – binding, that is to say, on all. “Tradition” is no longer honored as a valued heritage but is treated as an odious epithet.

Christ is “the Way, the Truth, and the Life.” He doesn’t change, and neither should we.

# Letters

Dear Steve,

You and the work that you do give me much hope for life issues! I find the PRI Review such a great source of the truth. I ask God to continue to bless you and all who work for PRI.

— Gratefully, Ellen

Dear Mr. Mosher,

Two of your articles are among our favorite essays on climate issues: “Four Key Points on Human Ecology and Climate We Hope to see Pope Francis Make” (published prior to the release of *Laudato Si’*), and “The Earth is Not ‘Sick’ and Mankind is Thriving as Never Before” (an accurate and respectful critique of the unsubstantiated claims made in *Laudato Si’*). The title under which the latter article first appeared is highly amusing, and totally appropriate: “Do the Pope and I Live on the Same Planet?” (*New York Post*, 5 July 2015)...

As you state, we are facing an existential crisis, not because of “climate change” but because of demography and collapsing birth rates, particularly in the nations of the West. You stress that population control—which incorporates contraception and abortion—, is one of the principal and clandestine objectives of the modern environmental movement. And the latter has become integrated into an atheistic globalist agenda, namely the World Economic Forum (WEF).

— Sincerely, James and Norman

## Celebrating, *continued*

gio became a vital international leader and strategist, an inspiring example both in his work and in his personal life. From our human calculations, he had excellent professional prospects, but God found his earthly mission to be fulfilled, so on November 30, 2022, at the age of 41, He took Sergio to his eternal reward.

Having Sergio as a model, other young people are taking up that baton: Jeng Cheng Nakazaki in digital and political communication, and María José Corzo and Cristina Cevallos, both lawyers specializing in parliamentary law. All of this has led our office to become a political, legal, and communication source in the region.

Organizations aligned with the best practices now want to work with us. We work with CitizenGO - Hazteoir, a citizen platform that brings together over 18 million members in 11 languages and more than 50 countries. They include the board of the Interna-

tional Right to Life Federation and the Expert Committee of the Political Network for Values, collaborating with politicians like José Antonio Kast, former presidential candidate in Chile, and Rafael López Aliaga, Mayor of Lima.

But perhaps the greatest recognition comes from our adversaries. Media attacks and even lawsuits have not been lacking.

Last year, after more than 8 years of legal proceedings, we won a lawsuit filed against us by the NGO PROMSEX, an ally of Planned Parenthood in Peru. We were delighted that they spent a lot of money hiring a very expensive law firm, all in vain.

At the PRI Office for Ibero-America, we live with joy the blessedness of persecution. I thank Steve, my PRI colleagues, our donors, and all those who make it possible for us to continue in this fight. We ask God to accompany us and allow us to continue saving unborn children.



PRI IA staffers in a training course: From left to right: Carlos Polo, María José Corzo, Cristina Cevallos and Daniel Armas.



# Teaching Gen Z Kids that the World is Not Overpopulated

BY CHIARA MCKENNA

Most American teenagers graduate from high school thinking that the world is overpopulated and that the socially responsible thing to do is not to have children. Not the students at the Donahue Academy in Ave Maria, Florida, however.

The teachers at this Catholic academy in Southwest Florida have put together an interdisciplinary program that exposes the too-many-people myth for the fraud that it is. The program begins with Thomas Malthus, the original population bomber, and ends by talking about the dangers of population control,

where governments get the final say in fertility decisions and parents' opinions on how many children they want is deemed unnecessary.

Kicking off the module is the Academy's statistics teacher, who has her students look at linear and exponential models to understand the flaws in Malthus' modeling. Of course, in his theory, Thomas Malthus assumed that food growth would increase linearly, while population growth would grow exponentially. He concluded that human reproduction would quickly outpace food production, and that massive

famines would follow. He failed to account for human productivity and innovation at all.

From there the baton is passed to the Humanities teacher, who reveals that Malthus was so worried about overpopulation that he was in favor of encouraging plagues and famine to keep the population down. He then goes on to trace the anti-human attitudes down through history, showing how they gave rise to activists like Margaret Sanger and other proponents of eugenics and even genocide. More children from the fit, fewer children from the unfit. That sort of thinking.



*Mr. Mosher instructs the students at Donahue Academy in the Fall of 2023*



## Teaching Gen Z Kids, *continued*

The Theology teacher takes it from there, assigning her high school juniors to read *Humanae Vitae*, which warns about the dangers of governments getting involved in the private decisions of couples on whether or not to have children. They discuss in-depth the efforts the Catholic Church has made to combat the population control movement.

At the same time, the junior Science teacher helps his students examine the negative consequences that come from blindly following not just Thomas Malthus, but also Charles Darwin's theory of evolution. The students look at how these thinkers gave rise to a mindset that sees humans as disposable, which in turn contributes to pressing bioethical issues, from abortion to euthanasia. From this knowledge, they become equipped to not just reject, but argue against, the kinds of abuses that emerge from a callous disregard for the gift of life.

The high school instructors at Donahue Academy are all steadfast Catholics who share not only a common faith but a common goal: They are determined that their students will not fall prey to the Malthusian mindset. They are dedicated to preparing young Catholics for a future of living in the faith and protecting the truth.

As a capstone to this program, Theology Instructor Brady Beckerman invited PRI President Steven Mosher to give a presentation on his work, and the work of the Population Research Institute, has contributed to the ongoing battle against the population controllers and their falsehoods.

The domino effect of overpopulation, initially tipped by Malthus,

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still fuels the push for contraception, abortion, and euthanasia around the world today. We at PRI actively work against these forces to expose them, cut their funding, and protect vulnerable populations.

By alternating our POP 101 videos with Q & A, Mr. Mosher was able to reach the younger members of Generation Z in a meaningful way. His knowledge sparked questions and observations from the students. He even had the whole class laughing at a few of his applicable anecdotes. Guided by Mr. Mosher, these teenagers began thinking through the narrative they've been told by society and how it falls apart in the light of truth.

It may seem like a small thing to teach one high school class the truth about overpopulation. But they are the seed of a movement to educate the youth on one of the most pressing issues we face today. PRI hopes to work with Donahue Academy to develop a teaching module, debunking the myth of overpopulation, that can be used by other Catholic, classical, and charter schools across the nation.

For the most part, Generation Z simply doesn't know the history of the anti-natal movement, though

they live with the consequences of it every single day.

On a personal note, I am a member of this generation. But I often forget this for two reasons. First, I grew up with seven older siblings, most of whom are millennials, so I feel more like a millennial when it comes to my tastes. Second, and more importantly, I am more informed than most of my generation on one of the most pressing issues the world faces today: depopulation.

The population decline that is happening in every industrialized country in the world is the direct result of the movement that started with Thomas Malthus. It's a movement that has masqueraded behind different names and slogans over the decades.

Many, if not most members, of Gen. Z have been convinced by fear-mongering tactics not to have children in order to "Save the Planet." Many have fallen for the lie that it's better to kill unborn children that weren't "planned" or aren't "perfect." Many have subscribed to the idea that the elderly (or disabled) are better off dead if they don't have a good "quality of life."

Few in my generation see through the lies of the anti-natal movement.

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In fact, most of them have fallen for it. While it frustrates me to watch my generation be hurt by this mythical narrative, I can understand how it happens. It's a narrative they've been fed since they started school.

The power of a narrative so entrenched, as the overpopulation myth is, cannot be underestimated.

If you didn't know where this all started, what would make you question it?

If you didn't know about the billions of dollars funneled by elites into this movement, why would you be suspicious?

If you'd never been told that humans have inherent, God-given dignity and worth, why would you fight it?

The educational system failed my generation (and a couple of generations prior) when it came to this part of history. I am only aware of these issues and fighting them because I came from a family that is totally dedicated to fighting for the pro-life cause. Not everyone is so lucky.

Donahue Academy is making a difference with their program. And we at PRI are determined to build on its success by working to develop and

promote a teaching module that can be used across the United States.

The students at Donahue, along with those we will be reaching in years to come, will themselves go on to share these truths with others. Even better, those who are called to married life will go on to be blessed with many children.

Of course, the best way to counter the Malthusian lie, and depopulation in general, is to have a large family with many children. Children are the solution, not the problem. Children are our path to the future.

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# From the Countries



## **UNITED KINGDOM** **Medical Guidance** **Advises Leaving Born** **Alive Babies to Die**

The Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RCOG) has issued a guidance to its members stating that they should not report illegal late-term abortions to the police, even if the baby's life is at risk. The guidance claims that even if a baby is born alive, confidentiality comes first before the "safety of the fetus." The author of this guidance was Dr. Jonathan Lord, the director of MSI Reproductive Choices and co-chair of the British Society of Abortion Care Providers (BSACP). Dr. Lord has been accused of professional misconduct in the past, including cases of misleading women in crisis pregnancies and giving them inaccurate information about the abortion pill reversal. Now his guidance will lead medical professionals to misconduct of their own, allowing innocent lives to die after birth.<sup>1</sup>



## **ARGENTINA** **Javier Milei Commits** **to Defense of Life in** **2024**

At the beginning of this year, the Argentinian Milei administration de-

clared 2024: "The Year of the Defense of Life, Property, and Liberty." Javier Milei is committed to building the country back up again, starting with the most basic right, the right to life. He stated, "The Argentine Republic protects the right to life since it is a right inherent to the human person." In the coming year, this declaration will be placed on every official document, next to the coat of arms, and serve as a reminder of these rights. (Article in Spanish)<sup>2</sup>



## **PERU** **Wins a Major Victory** **for the Pro-Life** **Movement**

The South American pro-life movement has won a major victory in Peru! This past November, the Peruvian Congress approved Law No. 785, also known as the "Law that Recognizes Rights to the Conceived." This law determines that life begins at conception and recognizes the unborn baby in the womb as legally protected. The government has even established that "the child, both born and unborn, has its own identity, including a unique and unrepeatable genetic identity and a personality independent of his mother." Law No. 785 passed with

72 votes in favor and only 26 votes against. It will serve to strengthen the Peruvian pro-life movement against attacks from pro-abortion advocates.<sup>3</sup>



## **GEORGIA** **Vulnerable Women** **Travel to Georgia to** **Become Surrogates**

The war between Russia and Ukraine has affected the global surrogacy market, and a new hub has arisen. According to a new report by Radio Free Europe Radio Liberty (RFE-RL), hundreds of Central Asian women are traveling to the country Georgia to become surrogates. These women, traveling from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Uzbekistan, are willing to sell the use of their bodies in order to escape poverty. RFE-RL interviewed two surrogates, who gave their testimonies anonymously, to discover why they would be willing to go through pregnancy and childbirth for a couple they do not know. Both women were mothers with families of their own and were desperate to be able to pay off their debts. The global surrogacy market preys on vulnerable women who see no other way to be able to care for their families.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.spuc.org.uk/Article/385591/Infamous-Marie-Stopes-director-authored-Royal-College-advice-not-to-report-illegal-abortions>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.boletinoficial.gob.ar/detalleAviso/primera/301968/20240122>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.lifesitenews.com/blogs/peru-passes-law-recognizing-unborn-children-as-human-beings/>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.rferl.org/a/poverty-drives-women-in-central-asia-to-become-surrogate-mothers/32731033.html>



# PRI IN THE NEWS

## **New Tang Dynasty (NTD)**

### **The CCP May Push for a Forced Birth Policy**

PRI President Steven Mosher appeared on the Capitol Report to discuss the demographic future of China. The official population data from China's National Statistics Bureau confirmed that 9.02 million babies were born last year, marking the seventh year in a row that these numbers have fallen. This also marks the lowest level since the CCP seized control of China in 1949. Government efforts to push the three-child policy, updated in 2021, and increase childbearing seem to have made very little difference. If the birth rate does not improve, Mr. Mosher fears a future order from the CCP requiring women to marry and produce several children.

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[https://www.ntd.com/ccp-may-force-women-to-have-children-mosher\\_968679.html](https://www.ntd.com/ccp-may-force-women-to-have-children-mosher_968679.html)

## **New York Post**

### **China is Hungry for United States Investors**

China chases American investors who are willing to pour money into cheap goods. But why does China have to chase American money instead of seeking investments from its own citizens? As Mr. Mosher points out, Chinese investors won't pour money into China's own businesses because they know too much. They know that Chinese companies routinely exaggerate their profits, lying so consistently that an investor can never be sure how the business is actually doing. They also know that no one's money or property is safe as long as the Chinese Communist Party is in power.

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<https://nypost.com/2024/01/20/opinion/why-china-is-so-hungry-for-american-investment-funding/>

## **Catholic News Agency**

### **Christian Population in China Shrinks**

In the 1980s and 1990s, the Christian population rose dramatically in China. Between 1982 and 1997, the number of Christians more than doubled, from 6 million to 14 million. However, a survey conducted this month confirmed that growth is at a "virtual standstill." From 2010 to 2018 the number of adults identifying as Christian remained at 2%, but in 2021 fell to 1%.

Responding to these stats, Mr. Mosher stated, "Communist Party leader Xi Jinping made clear in a December 2021 speech that... Any religion that does not teach its members to love the party and socialism is a 'backward' religion engaged in 'illegal religious activities,' Xi said, and will be stamped out."

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