

United for Life of Merced County

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Dear Pastor,

Life Chain is a prayerful witness to the sanctity of all human life. This peaceful and silent demonstration brings awareness to the ongoing injustice of abortion and the harm it inflicts on mothers, fathers, and the community at large. It is a simple but powerful reminder to our fellow citizens of our duty to defend the weakest members of our society.

You and your congregation are invited to be important pro-life witnesses on Sunday, October 2nd by standing from 2:00-3:00pm on the sidewalks of Commerce Avenue at the Target/Walmart Shopping Center in Atwater at 1000 Commerce Avenue. At this location and hundreds of others across North America, we will form a "Life Chain," bearing signs with messages like "Abortion kills children" and "Adoption, the loving option" and praying silently for the hour. Everyone is welcome to peacefully, publicly, and safely call upon our community to protect human life from conception to natural death. Let's advocate for the innocent; as Christ Himself reminds us, "Whatever you do to the least of these, you do to me" (Mt 25:40.)

We will stand for one hour, 2:00-3:00pm. We ask for children to be attended, as we are close to a busy street. We ask for prayer, not talking. We urge that those with signs do not address the opposition, but refer them to the tables where signs were distributed. God's blessings be with you!

Yours in Christ,

Esteban and Mary Ortiz, Life Chain Co-Chairpersons

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