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Council for Life Raises Over \$1.3 Million for Mothers Facing Unplanned Pregnancies

DALLAS, TX - Dallas-based nonprofit Council for Life is proud to announce that over \$1.3 million was raised at their **Celebrating Life Luncheon** on **Wednesday, November 8, 2023,** at the **Hilton Anatole Hotel.** The funds will go directly to Council for Life's 27 Beneficiaries who work joyfully to support LIFE. (See the list of 2023 Council for Life Beneficiaries here.)

The luncheon featured radio talk show host, cultural commentator, international speaker, and bestselling author **Eric Metaxas**. Metaxas is the #1 New York Times author of Bonhoeffer and many other books, including Is Atheism Dead?, Martin Luther, Amazing Grace and his latest book Letter to the American Church.

Metaxas made a compelling argument that Christians, especially the Church, need to boldly fight the battle against evil, despite going against the status quo. "The Lord wants you to be in the battle...He has called you, He has invited you to the greatest adventure in the history of the world; to stand with Him, to walk with Him in the battle of good versus evil."

Metaxas discussed the haunting similarities between today's American Church and the German Church of the 1930s during Hitler's reign. He argued that fighting evil does not politicize Christianity. As German martyr Dietrich Bonhoeffer and other heroes of the faith insisted, the Church has an important role in the culture of America. It is a duty to fight the powers of darkness, especially on behalf of the weak and vulnerable. "Do you think *Roe v. Wade* would have been overturned if some in the Church didn't understand that it is our duty before God to get involved with politics?"

Closing his presentation, Eric stressed the need to answer God's call to defend the unborn. People must overcome fear and enter the battle, armed with the spiritual weapons of prayer, self-sacrifice, and love.

Council for Life was thrilled to recognize **Cindy and Tony Weber** as this year's **Luncheon Honorary Co-Chairs**. Cindy and Tony have been faithful supporters of CFL through the years, with Dr. Cindy Weber serving on the CFL Board of Directors and Tony currently serving on the CFL Advisory Board.

Sandy Ammons and Mary Louise Binning — philanthropic leaders in the Dallas community dedicated to the cause of Life — were CFL's outstanding **Luncheon Co-Chairs**. "We are immensely grateful to both our Honorary and Luncheon Chairs for their generous support and leadership of Council for Life and unwavering, bold stand for Life," stated **CFL Executive Director Lee Anne Morris**.

For information, visit: councilforlife.org

About Council for Life

Council for Life (CFL) exists to empower women, men and youth to make life-affirming choices. Motivated by Christ-like love and responsive compassion, CFL is committed to raising awareness of the complex issues that surround unplanned pregnancies and to providing financial support to agencies that share their mission. Since 2001, Council for Life has raised more than \$12 million to fund 70 agencies in the Dallas/Fort Worth area with life-affirming missions relating to the complex issues surrounding unplanned pregnancies. Learn more at councilforlife.org.

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