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Hi, I'm Jim Schultz, Pastor of Lighthouse Assembly of God.

What's a nice way to say you've been fired? You're spending more time with the family? Or if you're looking old, someone tells you you look very 'distinguished.' We like to use euphemisms to make bad things sound good.

If someone is talking to you about care—what could possibly be wrong with care? Caring is loving and wholesome, right? They may even add health and say health care—health is something we all strive for, isn't it? How about access? That's better than roadblocks. Equal access sounds like a good thing too—better than only the rich being able to afford something.

All of these words are used to say that your money and mine must be used to continue to pay doctors to kill human beings. Abortion is the intentional killing of unborn human persons, usually by suction aspiration, dilation and curettage, dilation and extraction, saline, and other means—most of these methods rip people apart. And there is no euphemism that can cover up that harsh reality or somehow make it good to do that to somebody.

Yet Planned Parenthood uses all those terms and others to try to put lipstick on a pig (<https://www.ppaoregon.org/2018/07/27/no-cuts-care-vote-no-ballot-measure-106/>). **“3,769 abortions were funded by taxpayers** in fiscal year 2015–16 through the Oregon Health Plan (OHP)” (<https://www.oregonlifeunited.org/abortion-facts/>) and Planned Parenthood wants to make sure that funding continues—funding that often goes to them. They are campaigning to stop ballot measure 106, which you can vote on in the next few weeks. A yes vote would prevent our state from using our tax money to commit these atrocities. I was one of over 117,000 Oregonians who petitioned to put this measure on the November ballot. Please join me in voting yes on Measure 106.

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