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**Concepts of Truth's Staff and Eric Owens from Wynne, AR Attend
The 55th Session Of The United Nations Commission On The Status Of Women
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Wynne, Arkansas – Millie Lace, founder and director of Concepts of Truth, Inc., led a team with staff member Denise Mixson of Miami, FL and Eric Owens of Wynne, AR to visit the United Nations 55th Session on the Status of Women Conference (CSW), New York, NY which began February 22nd and ended March 4th, 2011. The team represented various organizations that deal with abortion recovery, crisis pregnancy counseling, mental health counseling, and life issues. “Gendercide against the girl child through the trauma of abortion, sex trafficking, and violence against women occurs in many nations around the world,” said Lace. “This trauma includes sex-selection abortion of female children, female infanticide, female genital mutilation, and coerced abortion of young girls and women.”

The team of over 30 women, men, and students advocated for protection of unborn children, conducting three workshops focusing on the dangers abortion can bring to the girls and women, brought education to the world on casual sex and sex trafficking, and attended many other workshops sponsored by other NGO's (Non-Governmental Organizations). “Our mission was to empower women and educate them about the benefits of womanhood and motherhood and how to be world changers,” said Lace, who deeply regrets having an abortion. Eric Owens provided Lace with media and technical support.

Lace, along with her husband, Dail, directs a national helpline for abortion recovery. They promote education of the devastation of abortion on families which is virtually ignored by the media and governments. The members of the delegation who have experienced abortion (directly or indirectly) provided expert testimony of the harmful physical, psychological, and spiritual pain and suffering abortion causes. At the workshop entitled, “Reproductive Health Education & A Woman's Right to Choose”, Denise Mixson was able to share her personal story of the devastation of abortion as a college student. A group of young women from Mexico said, “We will take this message back to the young people of our country to educate them on the negative effects of abortion.” They were provided with resources on abortion education, abortion recovery, sex education, and STD facts.

Lace presented a UN parallel event entitled “Sex And The Whole Woman” along with author and speaker Barbara Wilson which provided scientific research and studies educating the attendees on concepts of sexual health, sexual safety, and sexual freedom as they pertain to the five dimensions of the whole person. Lace shared, “Sex is good in the bonds of marriage, and casual sex inhibits healthy bonding in relationships.” Over 20 countries were represented at the standing-room-only event, where a break-out session allowed different countries to come together to find solutions to their particular country's obstacles to safe health for their young girls and women. One representative commented, “I will help girls at the University of Zambia where I teach to understand the impact of casual sex.” Another from Haiti said, “I'll help women in my country to practice this advice.” After each event women committed to taking information back to their countries and educating everyone they know of the harmful effects of abortion and casual sex, and the wonderful blessings of motherhood and womanhood. The team received many invitations to other nations.

The team concludes that the CSW should call upon governments to strengthen their laws and enforcement against sex-selection and coerced abortion, and the sexual exploitation of women and girls. Action must be taken now to stop the global movement of violence and discrimination against girls and women.

The team, sponsored by the Australian-based Endeavor Forum, Inc. a NGO to the UN, each paid their own expenses to NY, proving their dedication to the cause. The team members are all involved in a networking storehouse of national and international organizations that promote womanhood and motherhood, traditional families, and the right to life for all individuals both born and pre-born.
