

## **The Dead End Road That Leads To The Heart Land Of America**

**Family Planning Association of Maine, the site of the Augusta prayer vigil is located on the outskirts of the city on a dead end road. The end of the road brings you to a large trucking company. In 2009, when we held our first 40 Days for Life campaign, I told everyone, “One of the reasons we are here when Family Planning is closed is to give a public witness to the people who drive by us.” The only vehicles that drive by us are 18 Wheelers. For the past three years we have been out there praying during four 40 Days for Life campaigns and two days a week in between campaigns. They see people of all ages praying in the snow, rain, wind, and sun. Every time a tractor trailer passes we wave.**

**One morning during this prayer vigil (Spring 2011), an 18 Wheeler driver stopped with a message. He told Scott the following, “I hear you are telling people that you’re praying on a dead end road. This dead end road leads to the heart land of America. Truck drivers come here from all across America. Some even come as far away as California. Across the country truckers are talking about you. They are talking about you in truck stops. They are talking about you with their families. At first most of them didn’t like you, but now they do. Keep waving, because that’s made the difference.”**

**The truck drivers see our signs, “Men Regret Loss Fatherhood”, “Women Do Regret Abortion”, “30 Studies Link Abortion and Breast Cancer”, and “Pregnancy Support – 1-800-395-HELP”.**

**None of us ever considered that our tiny prayer vigil would bring the pro-life message to the truck driver population across the United States. We will never know how many lives are being saved because truck drivers are seeing us and our signs and have conversations with other truck drivers across the United States (and in Canada).**

**Our God is amazing!**

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