



Christian Life COMMISSION

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Statement on Supreme Court decision in *Russo v. June Medical Services LLC*.

We are disappointed by the Supreme Court's decision on *Russo v. June Medical Services, LLC* striking down the Louisiana 620 Act that required doctors performing abortions to have admitting privileges at a hospital near the location where the abortion is performed. As we affirmed following a similar Texas-based ruling in 2016, "As we now move forward we need to recognize that abortion is not primarily a legal problem; it is a moral one. No matter what the law says, Scripture clearly conveys the value of each person from the point of conception. Every abortion is a human tragedy. It is tragic that unwanted pregnancies occur and that a woman would choose to end the life of the person she carries. We pray for a day when the value of human life from conception until natural death will be honored by people everywhere."

The New Testament commissions the Church with the care of the vulnerable and marginalized among us. It is vital that Christians continue to provide for mothers in need of support and community. The Christian Life Commission remains committed to holistic efforts that support women and their families not just for nine months of pregnancy, but also in every aspect of life from conception until natural death.

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The Christian Life Commission speaks to, but not for, Texas Baptists, helping them apply their faith to life through ethics, public policy and impact ministries. The Bible serves as the foundation for the transformative work of the CLC. Texas Baptists (Baptist General Convention of Texas), established in 1886, is the largest state denominational convention, with more than 5,300 affiliate churches seeking to live out the Great Commission and the Great Commandment in Texas and beyond.

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