



"Please work toward the passage of the [Down Syndrome Protection Act](#)...We want a society which safeguards its most vulnerable populations; a society that truly cares about those who are weak."

- Joni Eareckson Tada

Today, the sad truth is the majority of unborn babies diagnosed with Down syndrome are **aborted**. With many medical professionals pressuring families to have an abortion and prenatal testing for Down syndrome steadily increasing, many of these unborn children continue to be selectively targeted for extinction.

Pennsylvania is trying to do something about this - and there is only a short window to do it this year. The State Senate will be back in Harrisburg starting September 24th for a handful of days to complete this current two-year legislative session. The Down Syndrome Protection Act (House Bill 2050), which would ban an abortion solely on the basis of a diagnosis of Down syndrome, passed the PA House with a 71% bipartisan majority and now must await action by the PA Senate. Without a Senate vote this session, the process will have to start back at the beginning next year and Pennsylvania will continue to see the majority of babies diagnosed with Down syndrome selectively targeted for abortion.

Here are **two things** we're asking churches and Christians across Pennsylvania to do:

1. Pray on Sunday - Take opportunities to address the Down Syndrome Protection Act in prayer and discussion with your church family. Pray for God to move in protecting those diagnosed with Down syndrome here in Pennsylvania and across this nation. For more about the Down Syndrome Protection Act, go to pafamily.org/downsyndrome.

2. Call on Monday - Since the Down Syndrome Protection Act must be voted on by your State Senator in this short window, we urge you to call your State Senator ASAP. **Please ask your State Senator to do all they can to pass the Down Syndrome Protection Act this year.** If you do not have contact information, call the PA Family Council at 717-545-0600 and members of their staff will be happy to find it for you.

Please pray and call by Monday, September 24th. Thank you.