WHY CELEBRATE LIFE?

From the first pages of the Bible to the last, a call to life goes forth.

God spoke and the sky, sea, and land burst with an astounding variety of life -- plants, birds, flowers, sea creatures, animals, and insects -- providing an endless source of fascination and delight for His crowning creation, Mankind. God then made a diverse array of nations from one blood. "LIFE IS VERY GOOD!"

When sin and death entered the world, God did not abandon His call to life. He chose a people through whom He would bring eternal life to the world. He offered them a choice between life and death. He asked, "Why will you die?" Choosing death makes no sense. In life there is hope. "CHOOSE LIFE!"

God exchanged His Son's life for ours so that we may live. Jesus' death on the cross paid the penalty of our sin and purchased new life for us. In Him alone we have everlasting life. Choose Jesus. "CHOOSE ETERNAL LIFE!"

Many people wonder when life begins, but it might be more enlightening to consider where it begins -- in God Himself! The Great I Am is eternally living, the Source and Sustainer of all life. "THIS IS WHY WE CELEBRATE LIFE!"

God has a call on our lives, too. As bearers of His image, we ought to reflect His care and concern for all people. We can offer our lives in the service of preserving life. "PROTECT LIFE!"

Scripture references:

2. Deuteronomy 30:19. Also Romans 5:12; Ezekiel 33:11; Ecclesiastes 9:4.
4. John 5:26. Also Gen. 2:7; Rev. 22:1; John 1:4, 6:63; 1 Corinthians 8:6, 15:45; Matthew 4:4; Acts 17:25, 28; Is. 42:5; Nehemiah 9:6; Job 12:10; Jeremiah 10:10; Ps. 36:6, 9, 104:29; Colossians 1:17; Hebrews 1:3.