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// SLOW AND STOP

More than 30 years after the HIV&AIDS pandemic began, millions continue to be infected with the deadly virus. A tremendous effort has been made to find strategies to SLOW the pandemic. We are not content to slow the pandemic. We want to STOP it, and this will require a different strategy.

SLOW

S - Support Correct and Consistent Condom Use Every Time

The correct and consistent use of condoms can prevent the transmission of HIV.

L – Limit Number of Sexual Partners

Limiting sexual partners reduces potential exposure to HIV. While not fool-proof, fewer partners decrease the likelihood of HIV transmission.

O – Offer Needle Exchange

From a public health standpoint, a clean needle prevents people from contracting HIV through contaminated needle sharing.

W - Wait for Sexual Debut

Research shows that pushing back the age of sexual debut reduces the risk of HIV transmission.

STOP

S – Save Sex for Marriage

Abstinence before marriage, while a difficult ideal that goes against culture, IS a viable and proven method of stopping HIV transmission.

T – Teach Men and Boys to Respect Women and Children

By teaching men and boys to view women and children as respected equals created in the image of God, the church is working to reduce gender violence, sexual abuse, and the spread of HIV.

O – Offer Treatment through Churches

The Church offers more than clean needles and condoms—it offers freedom from addiction and care for the addict.

P – Partner with One Person for Life

When two HIV negative people partner together faithfully in marriage for life, the risk of sexual transmission of HIV is virtually non-existent.





