











Lance Allan: Free to Serve by Bob Conklin, Jr. and Sports Editor Emeritus, Jerry Mullaney

Not just anyone gets to do a one-on-one interview with Brett Favre. What's next for this 53 year old former Sports Reporter and Anchor for TMJ4 News? "God has

a plan." A true Milwaukee favorite and friend to so many, Lance Allan was the PA announcer and led the on-stage Q&A over the weekend as Indycar drivers Helio Castroneves, Josef Newgarden and Bobby and Graham Rahall were in town for the Milwaukee

Mile event at Wisconsin State Fair Park. Lance is also busy doing pre and

post-game commentary work for the Wisconsin Badgers Radio Network Football program.

Effortlessly hitting singles and playing infield, we caught up with Lance recently on the diamond at the Monday night ProBuColls Christian Courier City-Wide Church Softball League at West Milwaukee Park and arranged an interview. Here's what we learned:

Lance and wife Amy just sent their twin sons to university for their freshman year this year. Brendan will be attending Milwaukee School of Engineering and



Lance Allan after our interview at Chick-fil-A. Always a sports fan, notice Lance's professional wrestler cutout on the back wiper blade ready to do the diving elbow drop move.

swimming on the MSOE swim team. Ethan will be attending the University of Wisconsin–La Crosse, or as Lance likes to say, "The true LAX" and playing intramural sports. Daughter Rebekah is in her senior year at UW-Stout in the Hospitality administra-

Connecting with an advisor and friend from In-

tion program.

tervarsity Christian Fellowship at UW-Madison when he first came to Milwaukee, Lance started attending Meadowbrook Church. Lance and Amy, a graphic artist, met through a social outing after work and got married young 25 years ago at Bay View Baptist Church where Amy's parents, Mike and Diana Manningham were longtime members.

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PACWAD 2024 Is Coming Soon!

ProBuColls Association and the Christian Courier Newspaper will again host the annual Pastors and Christian Workers Appreciation Day (PACWAD). The program will begin at 9:00 AM on Friday September 27, 2024 and run until 2:00 PM at the Wisconsin Club at 900 W Wisconsin Ave in downtown Milwaukee. Free admission includes breakfast and lunch. Register by calling 414-344-7300 or emailing goodnews316@icloud.com. Seating is limited. We will have three out of town guest speakers this year.

NICK BANNISTER

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Nick Bannister is the US Sales Director at The Good Book Company —Growing up with seven siblings, Nick now calls Chicago home. He has an MA in Theology from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, is a teaching associate for Faith & Work Chicago, and is a happy member of

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ROBERT BREAKER



Robert Breaker is an ordained Independent Baptist minister. Robert has over 700K followers on YouTube and having served seven years as a Missionary Evangelist in Honduras, has an outreach to the spanish speaking community. Robert pastors the Cloud Church.org in Pen-

sacola, Florida and also dogmatically stands firmly on the three most important Bible doctrines: Salvation, Sanctification, and the Scriptures, preaching the oldtime way.

JOSEPH GONZALES



Joseph Gonzales has trusted in the shed blood of Jesus Christ for salvation. Bi-lingual, Joseph is responsible for online Sound and Video production for Robert Breaker's major YouTube audience. Joseph is from California, is a gifted musician and is newly married.

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Blessings from the RNC

By Bob Conklin, Jr.

While the City of Milwaukee spent months preparing to host the Republican National Convention, I took the time to respond to an email to complete a U.S. Secret Service background check and possibly be invited to be a convention volunteer. I passed and soon received my credentials. I volunteered for Monday downtown, hung around the Volunteer tent at American Family Field two other nights and rode my bike down day four as an attendee. The night before the Convention started, Family Research Council hosted an event at Dayspring Baptist Church in Delafield. There was a great turnout of church people for this warmup and prayer event chaired by Tony Perkins. For many of us, this set the tone for the week and put our focus on Jesus Christ as the real hope for the future.



Two of Chicago's finest at the RNC inside the Perimeter

Convention week started off very hot and humid. Volunteers were told in advance that we had to be able to walk five blocks and stand for five hours. We did both and then some! We were assigned to be inside the security perimeter and be "glorified greeters" giving directions and saying Hi. My biggest takeaways from the RNC were 1) How well the event was organized by many young people

and how well the technology worked to volunteer. And how many young people came to town from around the world well dressed, professional and how polite the attendees were. 2) The cops - they came from Texas, California, North Carolina, Oklahoma and elsewhere some in their own squad cars and from all over the country to spend a week with us here.



My credentials

They were incredibly nice and appreciative of how well they were treated by everyone in Milwaukee. With all the build-up about protests, there wasn't an ounce of trouble in the security zone that we were aware of. Praise God! 3) The speakers - I heard almost everything I wanted to hear from one or more of the speakers. The church was well represented. Closely tied to patriotism was the opportunity to be prayed for and receive prayer. Intercessors for America had a big booth promoting Godly Values and Election Prayer.

My last few hours I visited Convention Fest and had the pleasure of running into Dr. Randall Melchert on his way to the Fiserv Forum. We stopped in the Media Center at the WVCY broadcast booth. All week, VCY America provided uninterrupted coverage of the Convention. Pastor Dr. Richard Schmidt and Randy Melchert, Esq. did a wonderful job at the anchor desk covering all the platform activities.

Realizing my political cup was almost full, I pedaled back up the hill to watch the last night of activities fireside in the driveway at home. Wasn't it great seeing and listening to Franklin Graham pray for America and our future leadership? As God's plan unfolds in November, we can all remember that 2Timothy 3:12 says Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.



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Election 2024 Voting – Privilege with Responsibility

By John DiFrances (advocate@difrances.com)



Here we go again another presidential election cycle. And what is a Christian to do ... especially if you don't particularly like either candidate?

I hear this frequently from Christians; therefore I am not surprised to learn that 40 Million self-described 'Christians' in America DO NOT VOTE! As a result, they get the governmental leadership, or lack thereof, which they deserve. Unfortunately, the rest of us do too.

These non-voting Christians are longing for the 'perfect candidate.' One who is 'Moral, Always Truthful, Certainly a Professing Christian' and the list goes on.

I believe that Scripture gives us a lesson in wisdom when given the privilege of choosing our leaders. And let us never forget, that by failing to vote we may be actively hastening the day when we will no longer have the right to choose our leaders or influence our nation's future.

God's design for the nation of Israel was that He would be their God and King. They had no need of an earthly king. They had the Sovereign of the Universe. But as the nation grew in size and indifference to God, they complained. "We want a king! We want to be just like the nations around us."

So, a grieving God gave His children what they wanted, although along the way he warned them of all of the ills that would follow. (I Samuel 8:4-6) And how did God choose their king? He chose the way they would: tall, handsome, a 'true leader' - Saul And how did that work out? Not well at all. Saul started out mediocre, but as the years passed, he went from bad to worse. The result was that God removed His spirit from the king and the people suffered for a decade as Saul's character continued to deteriorate. even to the point of consulting a medium to bring up the spirit of Samuel to advise him - WITCHCRAFT! He also tried to murder David, God's already anointed future king.

Saul dies in a humiliating defeat of Israel's army and God brings the second king for His people to the throne. And what a breath of fresh air - David! Not exactly what the people, or even Samuel, would have chosen. When Samuel went to anoint this new king, he was initially quite impressed by Jesse's sons. These men had the making and appearance of a real king. But as he inspected them one by one, God said NO! Finally, he had to ask Jesse, "Have you no more sons?"

As an afterthought, Jesse responded, "Yes, one more, but he is out in the fields tending sheep." At that moment I'm certain Jesse thought, 'No, not that kid! He's barely more than a child and no comparison to these strong, physically mature men standing before Samuel." (1 Samuel 16:1-13)

But David was God's choice. And why? Because David, "Was a man after God's own heart!" (1 Samuel 13:14, Acts 13:22)

Right about now you may be saying, 'That's right! That is precisely what we need in 2024. A candidate who is a 'Man after God's own heart.' A candidate I can wholeheart-edly embrace and financially support.' But would you really?

Let's take a closer look at this man 'After God's own heart.' He was that. He loved God as very few of us do. Just read the magnificent Psalms he composed exalting God his Savior. Again you may be thinking, 'Why can't we find such a candidate today?'

David was the type of Godly leader we may desperately want today. He grew the country. He expanded the economy. He repeatedly fought Israel's enemies to secure peace. He even sought to bring the sacred Ark of God to Jerusalem. Had God allowed, he would have built a glorious temple in Jerusalem. Although God did not. However, God did enable David to accumulate all the resources Solomon would need for its construction after his death. Certainly an outstanding King! That said, let's look at some other aspects of David's life:

David was no Solomon in the practice of acquiring a vast harem of wives and concubines, but neither did he stop at one. Instead, he married eight wives, plus had concubines, and fathered numerous children. God's command to Kings was not to have multiple wives, as was the generally accepted custom of the surrounding nations' kings. (Deuteronomy 17:17)

As his children proliferated, he failed to instruct and nurture them as a father should and jealousies arose among the half-siblings. The tragic results included the rape of his daughter, Tamar, by a half-brother and the rebellion of another forcing David to flee Jerusalem for his life. There's more, but I'll leave it at that.

David performed a census of the Israelite army, an act in direct circumvention of God's command, even though Joab, his top general, warned him not to do so, the sin of trusting in your own strength, not Almighty God. "Then David said to God, "I have sinned greatly by doing this. Now, I beg you, take away the guilt of your servant. I have done a very foolish thing. Was it not I who ordered the fighting men to be counted? I, the shepherd, have sinned and done wrong. These are but sheep. What have they done? Lord my God, let your hand fall on me and my family, but do not let this plague remain on your people." As a result of David's census, God brought a plague on the land of Israel and 70,000 fighting men died. (2 Samuel 24: 1-17, 1 Chronicles 21:1-17)

He became lazy. After all, why should the King have to constantly go out to war with his army? Undoubtedly he reasoned, 'I have created a large army led by very competent generals. Joab can handle these battles; I'm needed here in Jerusalem to rule the country.'

Then on a lovely, warm summer evening, when he wasn't where he should have been – fighting Israel's enemies with his army, David strolls up to the garden atop his palace and what does he see? Oh My! The most beautiful woman he had ever beheld, bathing on her rooftop. What immediately follows? He sends a servant to fetch her to the palace and sleeps with her. ADULTERY!

Oh NO! She's pregnant! And her husband has been away all this time faithfully fighting David's war. He can't let this scandal go public, so a cover-up becomes necessary. He sends an urgent message for Uriah to return home to Jerusalem for a few days to confer with the King regarding the war's progress. Confer with the king by day and presumably return to his house to sleep with his wife at night. Smart plan. Except, Uriah the Hittite (He's not even a Hebrew!) is too honorable for that. He refuses to go into his house at night to enjoy the company of his wife while the rest of the fighting men are still away from home. That would not be right. So, Uriah sleeps at the entrance of the palace where David's servants slept, foiling David's plan

David was in trouble! He could not allow this honorable man's actions lead to the discovery of his sin. In desperation, he sends Uriah back to the army with a message for Joab, the head of his army, instructing Joab to send Uriah to the front where the battle was fiercest and then have the men with him suddenly withdraw, leaving Uriah to be slaughtered by the enemy. MURDER! (1 Samuel 11: 1-16)

But God is watching and He is not fooled by David's treacherous attempt at a coverup. God sends Nathan to confront David and confront he does! Nathan tells him a story and David soon realizes he's been found out. He repents, but there are terrible consequences. After Nathan leaves, Bathsheba's newborn child becomes ill and dies. During the child's sickness, David falls into a deep depression, knowing that he is responsible for the infant's death. (1 Samuel 12: 1-19)

But God, in His great mercy, continues to love David as 'A man after His own heart!'

So, Christians, you want a God-fearing, moral, 'PERFECT' candidate to vote for. 'A man after God's own heart.' Based upon David's conduct, be very careful what you wish for! Ask yourself, if David were a candidate for President in the 2024 election, would you vote for him given his record of sins? The Christian Courier

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LANCE ALLAN FROM PAGE 1

As their family grew, Lance and Amy transitioned to Southbrook Church now located on St. Martin's Road in Franklin.

Lance wants to continue to tell real stories about real people. "An athlete might be from a smaller high school or college and too often stories about some of these lesser profile people are never told." Lance recounts one of the most memorable stories he reported on 30 years ago about a young basketball player from Rhinelander who had sustained 2nd and 3rd degree burns in an accident. She trained hard against pain and physical limitations winning most valuable player and a standing ovation as she concluded the final game of her senior year – that ovation came from fans and players on both teams!

Lance said that sometimes athletes will credit God and that's an important part of their story not just that God scored points for them not like that but that perhaps they came back from an injury and really didn't have time to rehab and work on their skill set and yet they were so successful that they really felt God gave them the strength. I've always wanted to tell that part of their story because that's their story. If an athlete says I give praise and glory to God because the way I played really wasn't me that's part of the story I want to tell when they say, "By the grace of God."

I have enjoyed my career because I feel like I can be a difference maker.

We asked Lance how he got turned onto Jesus Christ. Lance said, "When your mom is a Christian Bible bookworm and your dad is probably the world's most honest car dealer where your reputation means everything, it helps. The Billy Graham Association held a satellite crusade in the 1970's at Rice Lake High School. At that crusade, my mom got saved. She reflected Christ. I went to Vacation Bible School as a kid and as I grew up, youth group and YoungLife. One memory I have from childhood is sitting on the couch and looking at an old children's Bible, one with a mural on the front cover. I always asked lots of questions like any good reporter would. I asked my mom what it meant to be born again. She explained to me about the story of Nicodemus and what Jesus was talking about when he said, "You must be born again." In that conversation, my mom led me to the Lord."

Lance Allan will be our keynote speaker sharing more of his personal testimony at the Leadership Luncheon on Friday, September 27th at Noon at the Wisconsin Club. We'll have a Q&A Question and Answer time where you can visit with Lance. For any up-and-coming reporters and journalists, we'll look forward to seeing you there! To register, call the bookstore at 414-344-7300. Connect anytime with Lance at lanceallan88@gmail.com to book Lance to emcee or speak at your charity event, fund raiser, live auction or outing.

Franklin Graham Says, 'Christian Nationalism' Is A 'Coin the Media Came Up With'

By Anugrah Kumar (www.christianpost.com)

Evangelist Franklin Graham, the son of legendary evangelist Billy Graham, said in a recent interview that the term "Christian nationalism" is often used by the media as a tactic to polarize and divide the country.

Graham, 72, who heads the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association and the Evangelical humanitarian organization Samaritan's Purse, discussed his views on the political landscape and Evangelical support for former President Donald Trump during a recent interview with the British newspaper Financial Times.



Addressing the media's role, Graham, a conservative Christian, expressed concern over what he sees as a loss of objective journalism in the U.S.

"We don't have journalism anymore in America," he said. "It's about picking a topic and spinning things for the candidate that you support."

This criticism extends to the term "Christian nationalism," a buzzword that has gained popularity in recent years among progressives and is often broadly used to describe Christian conservatives even if they are not nationalists.

"'Christian nationalism' — that's a coin that the media has come up with. It is to divide our country; it's to polarise people," he said. "And then there's 'white supremacy.' ... There are people that are bent on destroying our country."

"They are people that want to see a one-world system, a one-world government — that see the United States as hindering that," Graham added. "And there are people that don't want the American dollar to be the standard of currency in the world... There are people in America, in Europe and Russia, who want this. ... And having an open border is part of it."

Mark Tooley, president of the Institute on Religion and Democracy, noted in an op-ed earlier this year that Christian nationalism differs

from conventional Christian conservatism. Christian nationalists, he said, are often post-liberals that seek a form of Christianity that is officially recognized and supported by the state. Meanwhile, Christian conservatives are classical liberals who support the traditional American principle of complete religious freedom for everyone.

While both groups aspire to a "Christian America," Christian nationalists aim to achieve this through laws, whereas conservatives view it more as a demographic, historical and cultural characteristic of the

nation, Tooley stated.

Graham attended the Republican National Convention in Milwaukee earlier this month. There, he prayed for Trump, mentioning the recent assassination attempt on the former president. Despite not officially endorsing Trump, Graham has described Trump as a crucial figure for Evangelical Christians.

Graham lauded Trump for appointing conservative justices who played a role in overturning the U.S. Supreme Court decision Roe vs. Wade and ruling abortion is not a constitutional right. The evangelist cited Trump's unprecedented appearance at the March for Life rally in 2018.

Graham expressed concerns about an encroachment on religious freedoms under the Joe Biden administration, which contrasted with what he believed were stronger protections under Trump.

The current political climate is a threat to the Christians in America, he suggested.

"We are losing that a little bit in this country. A little bit of our religious freedoms every year," he said. "I think they're under attack by people that would be secularist, people that don't believe in God ... and people that hate God. They don't believe God should have any say in daily life," he said.



ABOUT ALVEDA KING MINISTRIES

Alveda King Ministries is dedicated to advancing the sanctity of life and promoting justice and equality for all. Founded by Dr. Alveda C. King, niece of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the organization works tirelessly to inspire positive change



and build a culture that values and protects every human life.

Dr. Alveda King

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- Former Georgia State Legislature
- 2021 Recipient of the Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award
- Film & Music Veteran

About Alveda C. King: As a member of the one blood human race of Acts 17:26, this November, I will be praying and fighting for Christian values at the ballot box. I urge everyone to do the same.

http://www.alvedaking.com

Evangelist Alveda C. King, PhD is Chair of the AFPI Center for the American Dream. She is a guardian of The King Family Legacy and is a graduate of Aidan University. She is the founder of Alveda King Ministries and co-founder of She Leads Georgia and Speak for Life. Alveda is also an acclaimed author, television host, blog contributor and co-producer of The Vision TV Show. Alveda was twice elected to the Georgia State House, a presidential appointee, the recipient of the Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award, Senior Advisor at Priests for Life, senior Advisor Coral Ridge Ministries, Founder of King Legacy Farms, a lifetime member of Cooking Club of America and Optimist International and is a film and music veteran.

EVANGELIST NICK HALL



Evangelist Nick Hall, Founder & President of Pulse Evangelism (www.pulse.org) is interviewed recently by CBN. In conjunction with their Good Friday Broadcast this year, Pulse launched Anthem

of Grace using the song Amazing Grace, a song that has been sung for hundreds of years. It resonates with every person's need for grace. Find out more on their website and on YouTube!

FAITH DRIVEN ENTREPRENEUR EVENTS

WATCH PARTY CONFERENCE

Faith Driven Entrepreneur watch party conference, Friday, September 22nd at the Associated Bank Conference room at 111 Kilbourn Ave., Milwaukee. between 8:30 am - 11:30 am.

This is the 4th year that we have been hosting and participants have been new entrepreneurs, seasonal business owners, non-profit leaders and students that are considering opening their own business with Kingdom mindset.

Content is from well known speakers, but I am also bringing a couple local speakers.

Lunch will be provided. You are welcome to join. :)

FOUNDATION GROUP

September 23rd- I will start a 8 weeks Foundation group for Faith Driven Entrepreneurs. It will be hybrid. Initially, I will start online until location is determined. The individuals who are interested in this group usually are individuals who have a business idea to start. Material that will cover are stories of other business owners and where faith in our Lord has helped them move forward.

I also cover Canvas business planning where we also consider Kingdom impact into our business and how it is part of our mission.

Armand Lulo



Facilitator of Faith Driven Entrepreneur- Milwaukee Church Member of Wauwatosa Bible Chapel Engagement Leader for Thrivent Financial



Elmbrook Church Men's Ministry kickoff hosted by Senior Pastor Tim Breen and Adult Discipleship Director Keith Luecht. Message by Steve Sonderman of No Regrets Ministries.

Big Blue Mobile Media Unit by John Jones www.mediavan.org.

Eastbrook Men's Retreat



Eastbrook Men's Retreat coming up October 4-5 at Lake Lawn Resort. Contact Pastor Jim Caler jcaler@eastbrook.org or Coach Tom Meyer tmeyer@eastbrook.org at Eastbrook Church 414-228-5220 for more info or to register. Visit ProBuColls' booktable onsite!



Harvest Vision Trip with Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child Paraguay, South America By Laurie Malchow

The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate Gods love in a tangible way to children around the world. Through this project, Samaritans Purse partners with the local church worldwide to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and make disciples of the Nations.

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It has been nearly 15 years since I decided to Journey with Jesus in this ministry through Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child. I have been a Connect Volunteer for this time for Washington/ Ozaukee Team. I envisioned the opportunity to be able to go on one of these mission trips. I dreamed about witnessing firsthand the joy in the children and the true impact these gift-filled shoeboxes are doing for the Lord's Kingdom globally.

Samaritans Purse has been sending shoeboxes to this country since 2001. 1.3 million shoeboxes have been presented with the Gospel message of Jesus. 2024 plans for 183,000 distributed shoeboxes and have 121,000 of the children participate in The Greatest Journey.

Our plans were to attend three distributions and one Graduation Ceremony. We had morning meetings as groups preparing us Spiritually for the day with devotions and worship. We also prepared for how we would share our story when we returned home to our teams and to our communities.



Area Coordinator, Laurie Malchow shares Christ with OCC kids in Paraguay

The Gospel message was shared with a large picture book presentation. We were blessed with great interpreters to share this trip with us and when they did an offer of acceptance of Jesus 75% of the children stood up to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. When my interpreter Nidia confirmed this, I began to cry.

I was so filled with Joy during this entire mission trip and so excited to share in these moments with children and families. To be a part of these Moments of memories in this season of their Journey with Jesus a priceless gift I will cherish forever. I could only stand in Awe of HIM.

I was very impressed by the dedication and compassion of the National Leadership team in Paraguay. 6 leaders in various

roles. They are responsible for Casting the Vision of child evangelism and discipleship, clearing the shoeboxes from customs, training participating churches and organizations and varied other roles.

Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child is a ministry I am so blessed to be called to be a part of. Our area has great growth and enthusiasm for this ministry of gift filled shoeboxes with the Gospel message of Jesus for children all over the World. There is plenty of room at the table to be involved in this ministry please contact Laurie Malchow 262-224-9602 If you want to learn more about being involved or getting your church or community group engaged.

IRAN'S JESUS REVOLUTION: MOSQUES CLOSE AS 1 MILLION MUSLIMS ACCEPT CHRIST

Amid talk of a broader war in the Middle East, there is also news that a Jesus Revolution may be underway.

An unprecedented number of Muslims are choosing to follow Christ, especially in Iran as people search for a better life.

Iranians are growing tired of the ayatollahs and a nation led by the empty promises of their Islamic theocracy. An anonymous internal poll found that 80% now prefer a democratic government, and many are leaving Islam.

"You have a country with one of the highest drug addiction rates in the world. You have a country where corruption runs rampant. You have a country where more than half the people live below the poverty line," explained Todd Nettleton of The Voice of the Martyrs (VOM).

"And the people of Iran are looking at this and they are saying, Wait a minute. If this is what Islam has brought us in the last 45 years, we're not interested. We want to know what the other options are."

According to Nettleton, Vice President of Messaging at VOM, the faith option many are choosing is Jesus with at least a mil-

lion Muslims reportedly leaving Islam for Christianity.

So, how is the regime reacting to this with a reported 50,000 of the country's 75,000 mosques now closed?

"This is not something that is making the



regime happy. And, really, in many ways, they are seeking to solidify their power and to crush any kind of dissent," Nettleton said. "We have heard multiple stories this year of Bible study, a home church being raided. Everyone there is photographed, everyone there is questioned. But then the leader of the meeting is held on to. They are arrested. They are detained, they're put in prison."

Moreover, Nettleton contends family members and friends are more tolerant than the government about leaving Islam.

"They kind of have the attitude of, 'Hey, if you found something that works for you, if it's Jesus or if it's atheism or if it's whatever, if it works for you... I know Islam doesn't work, so I'm happy you found something that works," he explained.

"I think what's happening there is actually representative of what's happening in the Islamic world," said Don Shenk, executive director of The Tide Ministry.

"We get responses from listeners who say, you know, now I understand that God loves me. I always thought that God wanted to punish me," Shenk explained. "And I think there's an awakening that is taking place across the Muslim world, not just in Iran."

Shenk says Tide Ministry radio broadcasts are even receiving positive responses in Afghanistan where the Taliban pose great danger for those seeking information from secret Christians within the country.

"There's a lot of suspicion, okay. If I'm going to meet with these people and share that I'm now a believer, 'Are they really true believers or are they, just trying to identify me?'" he said.

"It's more than simply being ostracized or disowned by your family. It is actually the threat of death. So, accepting new life in Christ means accepting the possibility of your life ending in this world."

It's a move of God's Spirit bringing change that may eventually transform not only Iran but the entire Middle East.



There Are 8 Billion "Different" Faces In The World by Jack M Roper RN Researcher

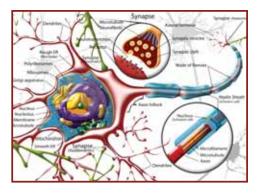


Jack Roper is a professional photographer, longtime RN and former Navy Corpsman.

Facial recognition has to do with the brain. In the brain are certain neurons that are activated with their own specialty. There are neurons for the nose, eyes, mouth, etc. that are scientifically verified by scientists "However, if the facial features are properly scrutinized on their own, it will be found that there are many physical differences between them.

According to the concept of science, doppelgangers [look alikes] don't really exist. Every single face on earth is unique and that also includes identical twins" Scientific source: www.vedantu. com. Vedantu is a multi-national real time vir-

tual online school tutoring platform that is recognized by Wikipedia, which is a world-wide Online digital dictionary. The above data is focused on the word "exact". When we look at a lookalike person, do we really look close at the person's features? Often it is an "off the cuff" statement and do not seriously examine the lookalike person. Twins are included that may be a very lookalike but not always true. In a DNA genetic code, the DNA is the final determiner. I have a twin sister, and she does not look like me and I do not look like her. I need to bring in 2 other sources of documentation. "There are visible differences even between identical twins. Our DNA is so vast and complex that no two people have absolutely identical DNA, any more than that they have identical fingerprints." (Source: www. quora.com). Quora is also recognized in the online dictionary Wikipedia. Regarding the possibility of identical fingerprints, the odds are less than one identical fingerprint out of 64billion prints. (www. sciencefocus.com).



Who in the world is able to create for almost 8 billion people in different races a different DNA genetics and different fingerprints for each person? No DNA and fingerprints are alike. The creative Creator who lives in Heaven is all knowing (Omniscience) so He is ingenious to give mankind an endless understanding of what DNA is and give all people on earth each a different fingerprint for their own identification. The Father in Heaven looked down to Earth and saw what the pride of endless independence from God has done to the human race. His Son came down to Earth as a servant, was rejected and He died on the Cross for our sins and our prideful stubbornness. God gave us the repentant opportunity to be forgiven for our sin and to sin less. For the Lord is the creative source of human genetics and for the fingerprints on our fingertips. Sin shall be abolished forever for the blessings of forgiveness is JOY.

Also by Jack Roper...Two Wake Up Calls into Another Dimension

WAKE UP CALL #1

Knowing of the frailty of man, our days can come to an end at any time. Our heart beats 3 billion times within an 80-year lifespan. This enduring cardiac muscle is the heartiest working muscle in the human body.

When you sleep at night during your dreams, this muscle continues to beat and beat and beat. Almost every morning when I wake up, I see my bedroom ceiling. Some day in my future, I shall wake up in another dimension seeing my Creator as He looks in the Book of Life for my name (Revelation 3:5). My dreams on Earth shall come to fruition as I will be able to see my departed family; for all of those who have accepted Christ I shall one day in eternity see again.

Biblical characters such as Apostle Paul, King David and Moses and most of all those mysterious angels. There was a day when I knew of someone who once stood by me. This someone who stood by me was instantly gone as I turned round to look who it was; an angel? It says in Scripture "For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways." Psalm 91:11. Heaven will be a place where God will dwell with His people. A dimension of no tears, no sin, no evil, no stress, no anxiety and no death. Peace and joy shall reign forever. Most of all unbounding love! What was finite on Earth shall be infinite in Heaven. What was invisible on Earth, shall be made visible in the eternal Heaven.

WAKE UP CALL #2

This is a hell of a time to have to wake up to this reality. It is the other dimension that I shall share. The master and dominant figure in Hell is that old cartoon figure called the Devil. What the Adversary wants us to think is that Hell is nonexistent. God thinks differently about this dimension.

It is a place where Satan shall reside and his demons in torment forever. The Evil One fell in love with evil and what sin can offer to humanity (1 Tim 4:1) Pride is the anchor that holds evil in the heart of Satan. Pride is the instrument that shall bring the wicked one his downfall. As the parade of pride is carried in the hearts of mankind, that is all what the ungodly one wants for the human



race. The word repentance is not in Satan's dictionary. The Adversary took a third of his

angels down with him for their future trip into the Gates of HeII where the Lake of Fire burns forever and ever. Repentance (2 Tim 2:25-26) is the power that dissolves pride in the heart and restores the heart of man back into the arena of Wake Up Call # 1. The Cross is the tool that breaks the glass of pride in the human personality for Heaven is assured through Jesus Christ who shall return for the ones He loves. Love is the power that changes the heart back to our Creator.



As the leaves change color and fall, so too do our hearts. In the quiet of autumn, God invites us to let go of the old and embrace the new, trusting in His eternal beauty. - *Unknown Christian Author*



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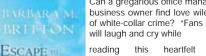
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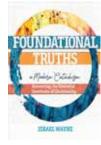
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NRB PRESIDENT & CEO: "IT'S TIME TO GET MILLIONS OF EVANGELICAL VOTERS TO THE POLLS"

WASHINGTON, D.C. (NRB) — In a new, must-read op-ed published by the Daily Caller, Troy A. Miller, President & CEO of the National Religious Broadcasters (NRB), commends religious broadcasters for "fearless," "independent" analysis and insight, and calls on Christian voters to "be alert and engaged."

"As Americans, we are the blessed stewards of a temporal home built on a foundation of faith to the best of its founders' abilities," Miller writes. "To be alert and engaged is just the beginning; we must do everything in our power to save America for the glory of God."

Read the full op-ed at the Daily Caller.

To interview Miller, please contact presscenter@nrb.org.

About NRB

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Isolating the student from large sections of human knowledge is not the basis of a Christian education. Rather it is giving him or her the framework for total truth, rooted in the Creator's existence and in the Bible's teaching, so that in each step of the formal learning process the student will understand what is true and what is false and why it is true or false. ~ Francis Schaeffer

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It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded not by religionists, but by Christians; not on religions, but on the gospel of Jesus Christ. For that reason alone, people of other faiths have been afforded freedom of worship here. - Patrick Henry



News & More



Defending Religious Freedom, Parental Rights, And Other Civil Liberties Without Charge

Dear Reader,

I'm excited to share some monumental news with you. Louisiana has just made history by becoming the first state to require the display of the Ten Commandments in every public school classroom. This isn't just a win for Louisiana—it's a win for religious freedom across our nation.

Under this new law, every classroom, from kindergarten to statefunded universities, will prominently feature the Ten Commandments in a large, easily readable format.

This isn't just about putting words on a wall; it's about restoring an essential part of our heritage and reminding future generations of the moral foundation upon which our great country was built.

Earlier this year, the Pacific Justice Institute (PJI) had the honor of testifying before the Louisiana House Education Committee on the constitutionality of this crucial legislation. Our Attorney, Ron Hackenberg, passionately argued that House Bill 71, sponsored by State House Representative Dodie Horton, is not only constitutional but vital for educating our youth about the origins of our legal system and the moral authority behind it.

This bill's passage aligns perfectly with the Supreme Court's recent decision in Kennedy v. Bremerton School District, which opened the door once again for government displays of religious content, as long as they align with America's history and tradition. This ruling marks a significant shift, allowing us to reintroduce the foundational values that have shaped our nation.

As the president and founder of PJI, I've seen firsthand the impact that defending our religious freedoms can have. This victory in Louisiana is a powerful reminder of what we can achieve when we stand together. But the fight is far from over. There are countless other battles across the country where your support can make a real difference.

Your donation to Pacific Justice Institute today will help us continue to protect and advance religious liberty in America. Whether it's defending similar laws in other states, fighting for parental rights, or ensuring that the voice of faith is not silenced, your partnership is crucial.

Together, we can ensure that the Ten Commandments—and the values they represent—remain a guiding light for future generations.

Thank you for standing with us.

Running the Race,

Brad Dacus Founder and President, PJI

P.S. Louisiana's new law will not be publicly enforced or endorsed in any way until November 15, 2024, according to a new court filing in the ongoing legal battle over the policy. Please continue to pray for the state and all those in the public schools.

GRILL MASTER MEN'S EVENT

Praise Fellowship Church in Muskego will again be having the Grill Masters Men's Event on Saturday Sept. 19, 2024 grills fire up at 7:30 a.m. serving a free, generous and abundant BBQ lunch from 1-4 p.m. Feel free to



also bring your own exotic grill items and we'll cook 'em up for you! Contact Ranger Kelly Strike kelstrike@yahoo.com or call Kelly at (608) 403-6434 or Pastor Greg Waldoch at 262-894-7232 for info.

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Grace Community Church displays their trophy after winning the final game in extra innings under the lights at Wilson Park



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In the Kitchen With Diane

Diane Fechter, Author



ROASTED BRUSSEL SPROUTS WITH GARLIC 1 pound fresh brussel sprouts, halved 15 cloves garlic, or more to taste 3 Tbsp. butter, melted 1/2 tsp. thyme 1/8 tsp. pepper 1/4 tsp. salt

Combine brussel sprouts and all but 3 cloves garlic in a greased 8 x 8 pan. Mince 3 cloves garlic and combine with butter and seasonings. Toss with vegetables. Cover and bake at 350° for 30 minutes. Uncover and bake an additional 20-30 minutes or until vegetables are done. Serves 3-4 For more recipes and tips see www.recipesforafull-filledlife.blogspot.com







TICKETS

A.



MY COGNITIVE DISSONANCE, MY FACEBOOK POSTS, ANDREW MURRAY'S BOOK: ABIDING IN CHRIST AND ME, THE BIBLE TEACHER ON "FAKEBOOK!"

Dear friends and followers,

Today, Saturday, August 3, 2024, I want to address a challenging topic that affects many of us as Christians navigating the world of social media. Let's explore how our online presence can sometimes create a disconnect with our true spiritual journey.

1. Cognitive Dissonance and the Christian Mind:

Cognitive dissonance occurs when our beliefs and actions don't align, causing mental discomfort. As Christians, we may experience this when our Facebook posts portray a perfect spiritual life while we privately struggle with sin and doubt. The apostle Paul described a similar internal conflict: "For I delight in the law of God after the inward man: But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind" (Romans 7:22-23, KJV).

2. Double-Mindedness and Abiding in Christ:

James warns us, "A double minded man is unstable in all his ways" (James 1:8, KJV). This double-mindedness can manifest as cognitive dissonance when we claim to be abiding in Christ on Facebook, yet our private lives tell a different story. True abiding requires consistency between our public proclamations and private actions, as Jesus taught: "Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me" (John 15:4, KJV).

3. Andrew Murray's Timeless Wisdom:

Andrew Murray's book "Abiding in Christ," though written in 1895, offers profound insights for our modern struggle with cognitive dissonance. Murray emphasizes the importance of constant dependence on Christ, rather than presenting a façade of self-sufficiency. He writes, "It is as we abide daily, deeply in Jesus the Crucified One, that we shall taste the sweetness of His love, the power of His life, the completeness of His salvation." This reminds us to be authentic about our need for Christ, even on platforms like Facebook.

As we navigate the temptations of "Fakebook," let's strive for authenticity, acknowledging our struggles while highlighting our de-



pendence on Christ. May our online presence reflect the reality of our journey in abiding in Him.

Questions for discussion:

1. How can we use Facebook to authentically share our journey of abiding in Christ, including our struggles?

2. In what ways have you experienced cognitive dissonance between your social media presence and your private spiritual life?

3. How can we support and encourage one another to be genuine in our online Christian witness?

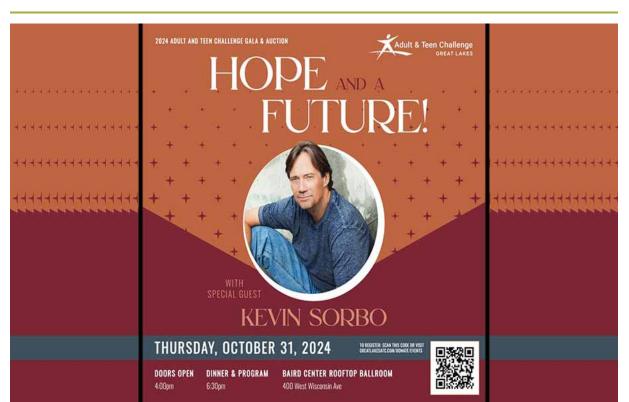
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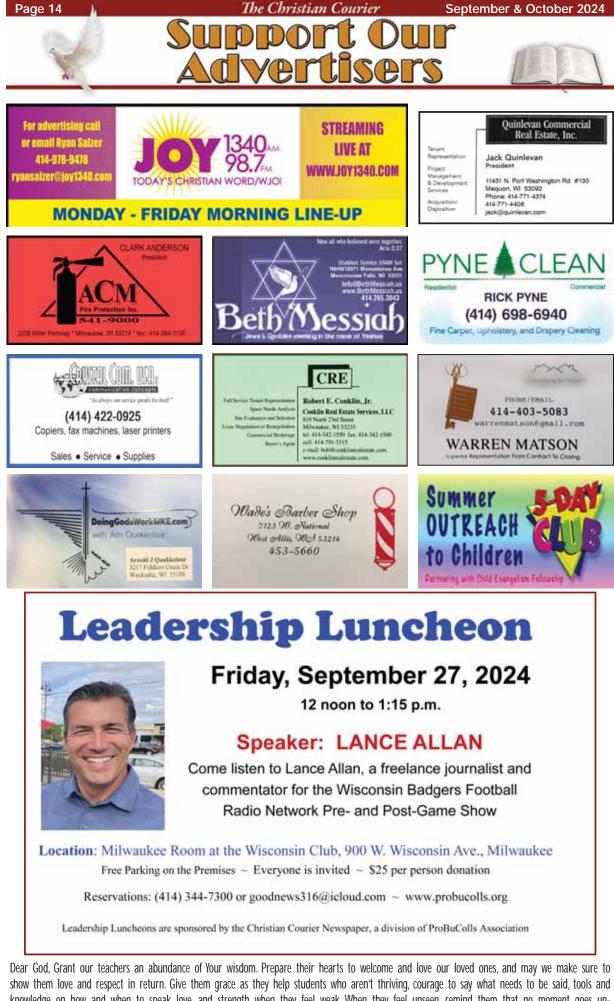


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Gary Kah is the Founder and Director of Hope for the World.

The globalist agenda exposed! Gary will provide an update on the efforts that are underway politically, economically, and spiritually to advance the globalist agenda. All rallies are held at the Waukesha Expo Center, 1000 Northview Road, Waukesha, WI 53188. Doors open at 5pm. Begins at 6pm. No registration necessary. Admission is free.

A freewill offering will be received to offset the expenses of the evening. The VCY America Network will broadcast these rallies LIVE. Tune in to your VCY America Station to hear this important information. (These rallies will not be broadcast locally on WVCY-FM in Milwaukee. Listeners in this area are encouraged to attend in person.)



show them love and respect in return. Give them grace as they help students who aren't thriving, courage to say what needs to be said, tools and knowledge on how and when to speak love, and strength when they feel weak. When they feel unseen, remind them that no moment goes unnoticed. They are shaping the future in one million small - yet incredibly important - ways every day. We are overwhelmed with gratitude for the gift of learning they share with our children. Bless them, Lord, and may they see even just a glimpse of how their faithfulness will forever impact generations to come. Amen. September & October 2024

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Tim Tebow on battling spiritual warfare in fight against human trafficking: 'Overcome the world' By Samantha Kamman (www.christianpost.com)

Football star and Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow discussed how he and his team overcome spiritual warfare during a discussion with The Christian Post about his foundation's latest initiative to combat



human trafficking and child sexual exploitation.

The former University of Florida Gator is the founder of the Tim Tebow Foundation, an organization that advocates for victims of human trafficking and child exploitation, as well as other vulnerable people in need of the Gospel.

Last year, the foundation launched a campaign titled "Unknown," named for the nameless victims of human trafficking. This year, Tebow and his team added "Unfinished" to the campaign title because numerous children facing sexual abuse and exploitation are still in need of rescue.

The "Unknown & Unfinished" campaign's goals include expanding global rescue operations to identify exploited children and equipping law enforcement with the resources to increase its capacity to locate victims and offenders.

In an interview, the Christian former professional football and baseball player shared that his team feels they are fighting something "very dark," but they encourage one another spiritually.

Tebow, the son of missionaries, quoted John 16:33 as one of the Bible verses that help the team stand against spiritual warfare.

"The night before Jesus goes to the cross, He tells His disciples, and they don't really get it," Tebow told CP. "A lot like me! Sometimes, you just don't really get it. But He said, 'For in Me you have peace. In the world, you will have trials and tribulations, but take heart, I have overcome the world.""

According to the United Nations Office on Drug and Crime, one in three victims of human trafficking globally is a child. As the Homeland Security Council reported in June, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children received more than 36 million tips in 2023 concerning suspected online child sexual exploitation and abuse.

Tebow said Jesus Christ has overcome sin and death on behalf of His children through His sacrifice, even if humanity is often undeserving of His love. He cited his faith in the knowledge that Jesus had won the victory.

"And we need to remember that where we find peace is in Him; we know there's going to be trials and tribulations, but we can take heart," Tebow said. "We can choose courage."

Tebow's interest in this issue started when his father was preaching at an underground pastors' conference in a place of religious intolerance. Tebow's father saw four girls for sale at an auction and used all the money he had to purchase their freedom.

"And he called me afterward, and it's hard to explain," Tebow said. "I just knew that this is one of the areas that we've been called into and that I knew I was called into. And that we had to step up and stand up for those four and the rest like those sweet, poor girls."

Tebow's latest anti-human trafficking campaign has partnered with over 20 organizations and nonprofits to meet its goals. Many of the campaign's partners wish to remain anonymous, according to Tebow, as they are working to punish criminals and need to remain nameless for security reasons.

The campaign is working with law enforcement agencies throughout the world, Tebow said.

According to the campaign's website, the initiative has helped tentatively identify more than 800 sexually exploited children through its partnership with law enforcement.

Regarding the financial support he has received for this latest initiative, Tebow said that while many Christians have given to the campaign, people who feel protective of children and care about justice also want to see this effort succeed.

The television analyst added that an issue like this has to "break our hearts."

"It has to do something that's enough for people to say, 'Oh my goodness! Look at the number of kids in the country and around the world," he said. "Around the world and in our backyard, so many boys and girls are in their darkest hour of need. That's the heart of why we care so much about this and why we are trying to rally people to this."

Jimmy's Circle of **FRIENDships**

The comic strip is done by a lady we met at the NRB Convention named Zelma Loseke. Zelma and her husband Jim run a farm in Vermont. She is reachable at zelmasfarm@gmail.com

Stop in to ProBuColls books and gifts and check out more of Zel ma's unique and amazing artwork. Reach people for Jesus Christ in a whole new way!







Iowa Hawkeyes Receiver Credits Jesus After Scoring Two Touchdowns

in First Game By Ryan Foley (www.christianpost.com)

A University of Iowa football player is crediting Jesus for providing him with the confidence needed to score two touchdowns in the first game of his college career.

Following the No. 21-ranked Hawkeyes' 40-0 victory against the Illinois State University Redbirds at Saturday's home opener, freshman wide receiver Reece Vander Zee was asked during a press conference if he thought he would "be here after game 1."

"To be honest, I didn't," the Rock Rapids native responded. "I credit my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for just giving me this opportunity. A lot of things fell into place for me to be here, and I just get all my confidence from Him. I just prayed that He gave me confidence. And I went out there and I showed that today."

Vander Zee, a two-time all-state selection in high school, recorded 66 receiving yards on five catches in addition to his two touchdowns Saturday.

Vander Zee's Christian faith is featured prominently on his X account. The biography accompanying his profile references Luke 14:11 and includes an emoji of praying hands.

The Bible verse declares, "For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

The pinned post on Vander Zee's X account, an announcement from June 2023 that the he committed to play football at the University of Iowa, features a quote from the college student stating that "I want



to thank my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ for blessing me and equipping me with amazing gifts."

"I truly want to glorify Him in everything I do and can't wait to see what amazing plans He has for me!" Vander Zee stated.

Vander Zee's account also includes several reposts from outspoken Christian football player and former Heisman Trophy winner Tim Tebow, one of which insists that "When someone says you're not good enough, or that you can't or you won't or you shouldn't, you can still prevail."

In the March 2023 post, Tebow maintained, "People don't always know what God has put in you and the promises He has spoken in your life."

In the other March 2023 repost from Tebow's account, the former Florida Gator stated, "Even when we're in a waiting season of life, God is already there." According to Tebow, "We don't have to wait for His presence!"

"God has an awesome plan for you," Tebow wrote in a December 2022 post that Vander Zee shared. "You might not see what He is doing. You might not know how He is working. But when you step out and show a little courage, demonstrate a little boldness, you are going to be amazed with what He can do with your life!"

The University of Iowa is slated to play in their second game of the season on Saturday against Iowa State University for another home game.

CHRISTIAN LITTLE LEAGUE

If you watch young children play sports, you soon recognize that they can be placed in

two general categories – (1) the enthusiastic children who eagerly chase the ball and then kick it without thinking, and (2) the procrastinating children who see the ball coming and think maybe



As a Christian, do we set without thinking or think without arting?

they should do something (after the ball has passed them, they are then certain they should have).

When at first we become Christians, we can generally be placed into two categories - those who act and seldom think, and those who think but seldom act. This is natural behavior for the 'Christian Little League'. However, changes occur the longer we stay in the Christian game. As we attain a fuller understanding of the rules and continually practice spiritual skills, our actions and thoughts start to synchronize until they become one. Then it is only a matter of time before God signs up those 'skillful Christian athletes' to face the Big League. (Philippians 3:12-14) (https://freechristianillustrations.com/)





Pro-Life Laws Result in 'Zero' Abortions in Texas By S.A. McCarthy (www.washingtonstand.com)

A new report is proving that the Lone Star State's pro-life laws are working, with elective abortions dropping to "zero." According to the Texas Alliance for Life and the Texas Health and Human Ser-



vices Commission, there have been less than 70 elective abortions in Texas since the U.S. Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade and absolutely none over the course of the past two years. The Texas Alliance for Life observed that "for the first 21 months following the United States Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade ... reported elective abortions in Texas have consistently dropped from thousands per month to zero."

In the months preceding the Supreme Court's landmark Dobbs decision, elective abortions in Texas exceeded 2,000 per month. January 2022 saw 2,531 elective abortions, February saw 2,513, March and April each saw over 3,000, and May and June each saw in excess of 2,500. Following the Supreme Court's ruling at the end of June, elective abortions dropped off steeply - to only 67 in July of 2022. Beginning in August of 2022, as Texas's "Human Life Protection Act" went into effect, absolutely zero elective abortions have been reported

"We are so grateful to hear that no unborn children are killed by abortion in the state of Texas," said Mary Szoch, director of the Center for Human Dignity at Family Research Council, in comments to The Washington Stand. She continued:

"This victory comes as the result of years of hard work by the prolife movement to support moms and dads in need though pregnancy resource centers, sidewalk counseling, and prayer. It comes as the result of the work of people willing to stand up and recognize that every person — born and unborn — has inherent dignity, that of all the blessings God gives us, children are undoubtedly the greatest, and that every person deserves the right to life. Thank God for Texas "

Szoch concluded, "But make no mistake, if the Harris-Walz administration is elected, they will do everything in their power to make sure that unborn children are once again under attack in Texas. These candidates want to do everything possible to attack unborn life."

"What's going on in pro-life states, like Texas, is enormously consequential," FRC Action Director Matt Carpenter told TWS. "The pro-life movement has been talking about building a culture of life for years, and now that Roe v. Wade has been overturned, we're seeing the result of pro-life laws and the emergence of that culture of life." He continued, "Candidates who hope to court the pro-life, pro-family vote should point to this and draw a contrast with states like New York, California, Illinois, Minnesota, and others, that legalized abortion through every stage of pregnancy, and even went so far as to remove crucial life-saving protections for infants that survive abortions." Carpenter added, "When voters understand that contrast, they will want that culture of life."

The "Human Life Protection Act" officially declares under Texas law that an "unborn child" is a human being "from fertilization until birth" and declares that a "person may not knowingly perform, induce, or attempt an abortion. The law makes attempted abortions a second-degree felony, but if an unborn child does die, it is elevated to a first-degree felony, carrying a potential penalty of life in prison under the Texas penal code. The "Human Life Protection Act" was temporarily blocked by a state court in 2023 as the result of a lawsuit, but was upheld and reinstated by the state's Supreme Court in May of this year.

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Milwaukee Victory Church 2110 W National Ave Milwaukee 53204 Sunday Worship 10AM 414.645.7496

Life Restoration Church 2422 W National Ave Milwaukee 53204 Sunday Worship 10AM 414.383.2280

<u>St John's Lutheran Church</u> 4850 S Lake Dr Cudahy 53110 Call for times 414.481.0520

South Prook Church 11010 W. St. Martin's Road Franklin 53132 Sunday Worship 8:45, 10:30AM 414.427.1929

WEST SUBURBS (AREA 3)

Anchor Falls Church N84W16971 Menomonee Ave Menomonee Falls, WI 53051 Sunday Worship 10:00AM Wed. Youth Programs 7PM 414.464.9220

Banner Church 1500 S. West Lane New Berlin 53146 Sundays 9am & 10:45am weatherstonechurch.org

Beloit Road Baptist Church 8337 W Beloit Rd West Allis 53219 Sunday Worship 10AM 414,395,0635 www.BRBCMke.org

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Brookfield Christian Reformed 14135 W Burleigh Rd Brookfield 53005 Sunday Worship 9:30AM 262.784.1125

Calvary Bible Church 1459 S 81st Street West Allis 53214 Call for times 414.778.2253

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First Baptist Church-New First Baptist Church Pro-Berlin 3800 S Casper Dr New Berlin 53151 Sunday School 9:15AM Sunday Worship 10:30AM Wednesday Bible Study 7PM 262.782.7775 or www.fbcnewberlin.org

Honey Creek Church 8200 W. Bluemound Rd. Wauwatosa, WI 53213 (414) 475-1234 Sunday Worship - 10:30 am Honeycreekchurch.org

Life Church 3285 N Calhoun Road Brookfield, WI 53005 262-783-2900 www.vifonline.org

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New Song Church 2323 S 109th St. West Allis, WI 53227 Sunday 10AM 414-546-1234

New Vintage Church 6626 W. Beloit Rd. West Allis, WI 53219 Sunday 10AM Wednesday 7PM 414.400.8320 www.newvintagewi.org

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Pipeline to Jesus Church 13400 W Beloit Rd New Berlin 53151 Sunday Worship 10AM Tuesday 7PM 414.525.0000 PipelineToJesus.org

A 14.252.0000 Pipelinerobesis.org Poplar Creek Church 17770 W Cleveland Ave New Berlin 53146 Sunday Worship 8:30 Traditional, 9:00 and 10:45 Contemporary Wednesday 6:45PM 262.782.1777 PoplarCreekChurch.org

Poplar Creek Church -Wauwatosa 201 N 121st St, Wauwatosa 53226 Sunday Worship 10:00AM 262-782-1777

Reformation Hope Church 915 Adelmann Ave., Lower Level Brookfield, WI 53045 Sunday Worship 10:30AM Family Bible Hour Sunday 1:00PM www.reformationhopechurchministries.

com

Min **RightWay Church Ministries** POBox242232 Milwaukee, WI53225 4016 W Silver Spring Dr. Milwaukee, WI 53209 (in the Trinity Miracle Church building) SundaySchool 9am WorshipService 10am 414-376-1651 rightwaychurchministries@yahoo.com Pisen Savior Bible Church

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414.502.7584 <u>Wauwatosa Bible Chapel</u> 2200 N 67th Street Wauwatosa 53213 Sunday Lord's Supper 9AM Family Bible Hour 10:30AM Wednesday 7PM 414.771.1030 or WauwatosaBibleChapeLorg

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Christian Life Church 309 Lakeview Drive Belgium, WI 53004 Sundays 10:30 AM Thursday Bible Study 6:30 PM text: 936.488.0080 christianlifechurch.us

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Country 354 N. Oakwood Ave Oconomowoc, WI 53066 Sunday, Celebration 10am Wed, Catalyst Youth Group 7pm 262-569-0001 cornerstonelakecountr.com

Covenant Connection Fellowship Church (Ingleside Hotel; Upstairs, Rm 1) 2810 Guif Rd Pewaukee, WI 53072 Worship: Sunday at 10am 262-650-9433

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Church 850 Oak Street Sunday Worship 9:30AM 6PM 262.728.6801

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Wednesday Service 6:30 pm for adults and children

Faith Christian Fellowship 1200 Racine St. Racine 53403 262.637-6220 or RacineFCF.org

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Foundational Biblical Baptist Conditional Biolical Baptist Church 6224 22nd Ave. Kenosha, WI 53143 Sunday School 10am Morning Service 11am Main Service 6pm 262-654-4665 www.fbbckenosha.org

Family Chapel N25 W23050 Paul Road

Pewaukee 53072 Sunday Worship 10AM FamilyChapel.org

Grace Bible Chapel 3917 59th Street Kenosha 53144 Sunday Lord's Supper 9AM Family Bible Hour & Sunday School 10:30AM Wednesday Prayer 7PM Wednesday Prayer 7PM 262.654.9631 GBC-Kenosha.org

Hillside Community Church S93 W30580 County Rd NN Mukwonago 53149 Sunday Worship 9AM Call for Bible Studies

262.363.8025 or Hillsidemuk.org

Journey Church Burlington 740 Center St. Burlington, WI 53105 262-767-3649 Sun. 9 & 10:45 Wed. 6:30

Journey Church Kenosha 1000 75th St 1000 75th St Kenosha, Wi 53142 262-694-3300 Sat. 6pm Sun. 9 & 10:45 Wed. 6:30

Lake Country Bible Church N45W32481 Watertown Plank

Rd Nashotah, WI 53058 Sunday Bible Study 9AM Worship 10:15AM 262-369-8777 LakeCountryBible.org

Northbrook Church 4014 Hwy 167 West Richfield 53076 Saturday 4:30PM Sunday Worship 8AM, 9:30AM, 11AM

262.628.3142 Oconomowoc Faith Bible Fellowship 25 McDowell Court Oconomowoc 53066 Sunday Lord's Supper 10AM Family Bible Hour 11AM 262.567.7234

Open Door Church 3420 County Road LL Port Washington, WI 53074 Sat Worship Services 5:30pm Sun Worship Services 8am & 10:45 Sun School/Adult Bible 9:30am 262-284-0711 www.0DBCport.org

Orchard Hill Assembly of God N9590 County Rd ES Mukwonago WI 53149 Sunday Worship, 9:30am Wednesday, Family Night & Youth Ministry, 6:30pm (262) 363-5443 http://www.orchardhillag.com

Praise Fellowship Church W195 S9912 Racine Avenue Muskego, WI 53150 Sunday Worship Service: 9:30

a.m. Wednesday Service: 6:30 p.m. www.praise-fellowship.org

Prayer House Assembly of God Church 1525 24th Avenue, Kenosha WI 53140 Sunday Worship: 10:00am. Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30pm 262,595.0500 www.prayerhouseag.org

Summit Harvest Church 888 Thackerway Trail #209 Oconomowoc 53066 Sunday Worship 10AM 262.560.0765 SummitHarvestChurch.org

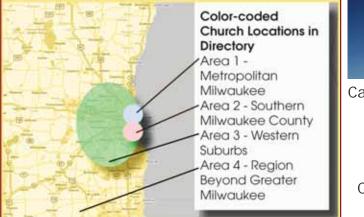
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Transformational Ministry 1123 Center St. Racine, WI 53403 Sundays Worship: 2pm 224.656.1803

Watertown Community Church 106 E Maclison St Watertown 53094 Sunday Worship 10AM Call for other meetings/studies 920.206.0599 or WatertownCommunityChurch.org

Zion Christian Assembly Zion Chapel 319 Cedar Street Sheboygan Falls, WI 53085 Sunday Lord's Supper 9:30AM Bible Ministry 11:00AM & 6:30PM

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