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UPDATE LETTER**

Dear Friends,

At 8:46 AM on September 11, 2001, Rick Rescorla watched from an office window as smoke and flames billowed from the North Tower of the World Trade Center. He was situated on the forty-fourth floor of the South Tower. In less than 90 minutes, Rick's life would be cut short in one of the most horrific terrorist attacks in modern history. However, during those few minutes Rick Rescorla managed to save the lives of at least 2,687 men and women.

Even though he is one of the better known heroes of 9/11, many people have never heard of Rick Rescorla. He was born in England and served in the British Army before moving to America and enlisting in the U.S. military in 1963. He was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant. In Vietnam, Rescorla fought in the Ia Drang Valley under the command of then-Lt. Colonel Hal Moore whom Mel Gibson famously portrayed in the 2002 film *We Were Soldiers*.

After serving in the military, Rescorla returned to the U.S. and took a job working in corporate security. By the late 1990s he was the director of security for Morgan Stanley at the company's offices occupying twenty-two floors of the World Trade Center's South Tower. Those who have written about Rescorla have said he was deeply concerned about the World Trade Center's lax security and that he was committed to teaching employees at Morgan Stanley how to evacuate the building in the event of an emergency. On multiple occasions he worked with security experts to identify risks and determine how to protect Morgan Stanley's personnel.

A 2002 article in *The New Yorker* outlined how Rescorla spent his final moments after the 9/11 attacks began, "Rescorla [could be heard issuing] orders through a bullhorn. He was calm and collected, never raising his voice." Authorities were asking people not to evacuate the towers and to remain at their desks. Rescorla disregarded those instructions and began systematically evacuating all 2,687 of Morgan Stanley's employees from the South Tower. During the evacuation, he briefly phoned a friend, saying he believed the North Tower would collapse and that everyone needed to get out. He continued overseeing the evacuation after a second hijacked airliner struck 38 floors above him.

All told, Rescorla evacuated some 3,700 people from Tower 2 and from neighboring 5 World Trade Center. At some point he used his cell phone to report that all Morgan Stanley employees were out and that he planned to exit the building after a final sweep. Rescorla was last seen by a colleague on the tenth floor of the South Tower, heading upstairs just minutes before the building collapsed.

Rescorla has been posthumously honored with awards and recognition. In 2019 President Trump honored him with the Presidential Citizens Medal. Today, thousands of people owe their lives to Rick Rescorla for his foresight and leadership in a time of crisis.

Foresight and leadership are two traits we work hard to cultivate at our office. I often tell our team that it's important for us to anticipate threats and understand which major issues are likely to come up in the future. It is critical that we be able to think ahead and prepare to lead others if the need arises.

And now let me tell you a little more about how we have been doing that—and how you can help us do that in the coming months.



Family Council in America
President Jerry Cox

MY THOUGHTS: THE ONLY THING NECESSARY FOR EVIL TO TRIUMPH

There's a famous quote attributed to Edmund Burke that goes, "The only thing necessary for evil to triumph is for good men to do nothing." Evil will advance as far as we will let it.

As Christians, we understand that Evil doesn't triumph in the long run, but what about the short run? Do any of us want Evil to triumph in the here and now? Do you want to see Evil gain any ground at all in your lifetime or the lifetimes of your children or grandchildren? Of course not.

In the 2006 film *Amazing Grace* a prominent member of the British Parliament invites a group of wealthy London socialites and aristocrats on a dinner cruise. During the evening the party steers near a docked slave ship: *The Madagascar*. Amid the overwhelming stench of the ship, William Wilberforce surprises the group by appearing on deck, announcing, "Ladies and Gentlemen, this is a slave ship ... It has just returned from the Indies, where it delivered 200 men, women, and children to Jamaica. When it left Africa, there were 600 on board... You may choose to look the other way, but you can never say again that you did not know."

As a Christian, Wilberforce understood that Evil ultimately would not win, but he still passionately stood up against the evils of his day—and ultimately he was successful. In Ephesians 6:13 the Apostle encourages us to do everything we can to withstand evil—and then, having done everything, to stand firm. When we do that, Evil stops advancing. I hope we all will stand.

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Down With The Cuban Prison State

By U.S. Senator Tom Cotton (R-AR)

A vast open-air prison with over 11 million inmates lies less than 100 miles off the coast of Florida. The men, women, and children held there have committed no crimes, they were simply born Cuban under the Castro regime. Today, these prisoners of communism are crying out for help and change. We should aid them in their dream of freedom.

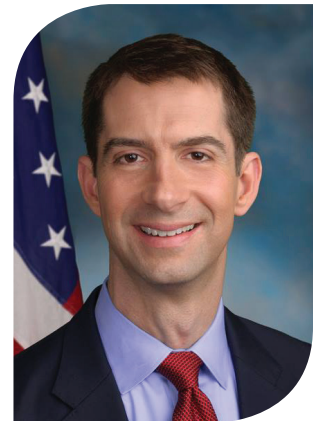
For 62 years, the communist government in Cuba has strictly surveilled, censored, and controlled almost every part of life on that "imprisoned island," as President Kennedy once called it. By some estimates, the Cuban military runs up to 60 percent of the nation's economy and controls everything from gas stations, to supermarkets, to restaurants.^{1,2} Government agents bulldoze churches and harass believers.³ Plainclothes thugs appear out of crowds to brutally ambush and beat protesters,⁴ and military personnel "disappear" dissidents who threaten their power.⁵ An atmosphere of fear permeates every corner of Cuban

society. It's no surprise that hundreds of thousands of Cubans have fled to freedom in the United States since the Castro family came to power.

The Cuban regime is also exporting its oppression and terror throughout the hemisphere. Today, Cuban bodyguards protect Nicolas Maduro and Cuban agents oversee the torture of Venezuelan dissidents and the training of Venezuelan death squads.⁶ The Cuban government is also a critical ally to the vicious Ortega regime in Nicaragua.⁷ Former National Security Advisor John Bolton once called these three governments a "troika of tyranny" in the hemisphere.⁸ This title is fitting, and Cuba is the indispensable partner that helps maintain these left-wing totalitarian regimes.

While Cuban government agents are effective in spreading misery wherever they go, they are far less adept at providing the essentials of life at home. The communists in Havana can't keep the lights on, stock the shelves in stores, or grow enough food to keep their people from starving. Cuba's socialist healthcare system, much praised by the left-wing media, is rapidly deteriorating, with pharmacies lacking basic medicines to treat afflictions like scabies.⁹

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U.S. Senator Tom Cotton is a military veteran. He currently serves on the U.S. Senate Committee on Armed Services and the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.



Protesters clash with plain-clothes police in Havana, Cuba on July 11, 2021. (REUTERS/Alexandre Meneghini/Alamy)

Down With The Cuban Prison State *(continued)*

Coronavirus patients are overwhelming Cuban hospitals due the slow rollout of a home-made vaccine that likely doesn't work.^{10, 11} The Cuban economy contracted 11 percent¹² last year and has descended into a depression. Earlier signs of societal decline, including falling population, were already obvious before the pandemic.¹³ The stresses of the virus have exacerbated long underlying problems with the communist system.

The Cuban people have taken to the streets in dozens of towns and cities across the island in the largest protest movement since 1994.^{14, 15} The communists have predictably reacted with the only tool they know: brute force. Plain-clothes thugs and militants, working for the government, are assaulting protesters and dissenters without provocation.¹⁶ Enforcers with truncheons and full body armor are attacking demonstrators who are waving American flags and calling for change.¹⁷ The government has also started throttling internet access to prevent protesters from organizing and coordinating.¹⁸

The Biden administration's response to the brutal crack-down right off our shores has been pathetic. The administration initially tried to characterize the protest movement as one solely focused on COVID concerns,¹⁹ and the White House Press Secretary repeatedly refused to condemn communism. Several White House allies even tried to blame the U.S. trade embargo for the discontent on the island.²⁰ After pressure from Congress and the media became irresistible, the President imposed weak sanctions on individuals in the Cuban government.

The President's anemic response is insufficient and calls into question his commitment to real change on the island. If we are serious, we should seek to restore internet access and

provide assistance to the protesters on the island. We should also levy far more extensive and punishing sanctions on the assets of the Cuban government and provide a clear message of support for the freedom movement in Cuba.

All lovers of liberty pray for the day that the walls of every communist prison state come crashing down. We should do everything in our power to ensure that day comes sooner in Cuba. The United States has been blessed with the vibrant energy and ingenuity of escapees from that island and we know firsthand how much their families deserve freedom.

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Our Office is Helping Home Schoolers

Over the summer our office received several phone calls and emails from home schoolers who needed help working through issues with their local public school districts. One came from a family whose child has dyslexia. The child wanted to participate in interscholastic, extracurricular activities alongside public and private school students, but the local school district did not want to accept the norm-referenced test she took to demonstrate her academic eligibility. Another call came from a home schooler who wanted to participate in interscholastic activities, but ran into trouble after the public education officials mistakenly listed the student as enrolled in a public school instead of being home schooled. These situations may sound simple on paper, but nothing is simple when it comes to government bureaucracy.

Thankfully we were able to help these students and their families. We contacted the Department of Education about these situations, and we helped put the families in touch with the right people at the state and local level to get their problems resolved. Our home school director, Lisa Crook, who directs the Education Alliance hears from people all the time who tell her how grateful they are to have someone they can call when issues like these come up. Of course, we do a lot more than just help home schoolers take part in baseball or FFA. Home schooling gives families the ability to choose and formulate the education that is just right for their children. It impacts lives in ways that will affect generations to come. We are honored to help facilitate home schooling in Arkansas.

U.S. District Judge Kristine Baker Blocks Pro-Life Law

On July 21, U.S. District Judge Kristine Baker blocked the State of Arkansas from enforcing a law that prohibits abortion. The law contains exceptions for cases when the mother's life is at risk. It was slated to take effect July 28.

Federal lawsuits over state legislation are supposed to be assigned to judges at random, but for some reason U.S. District Judge Baker has presided over most lawsuits regarding abortion in Arkansas the past few years—and she has a consistent track record of ruling in favor of the ACLU and the abortionists. We aren't surprised Judge Baker blocked the law—even though her ruling is bad.

Fortunately, the judges above her at the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals have overturned some of her bad rulings in the past. We believe Arkansas can win a major, pro-life victory as Judge Baker's decision is appealed. This is an opportunity for federal courts to fix bad rulings like *Roe v. Wade* and *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*. These pro-abortion cases were wrongly decided. They have cost the lives of millions of unborn children, and they need to be overturned. This lawsuit is an opportunity for our courts to do precisely that.

U.S. District Judge Moody Temporarily Blocks Law Protecting Children From Sex-Reassignment Procedures

In late July, U.S. District Judge James Moody blocked the State of Arkansas from enforcing the Save Adolescents From Experimentation (SAFE) Act. The SAFE Act protects children in Arkansas from sex-reassignment surgeries, puberty blockers, and cross-sex hormones. Obviously, Judge Moody's decision is bad. Researchers do not know the long term effects puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones can have on kids. That is why many experts agree that giving puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones to children is experimental, at best. That's also why a major Swedish hospital announced earlier this year that it no longer would give puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones to children under 16 at all, and it would only give them to teens between the ages of 16 and 18 on an experimental basis. Judge Moody's decision fails to protect the children of Arkansas.

That said, we were not surprised by Judge Moody's decision. We knew there was a good possibility he would temporarily block the SAFE Act while the lawsuit progresses, and we knew that this case would be appealed to the Eighth Circuit no matter how he ruled. Attorney General Rutledge and her team are working hard to defend this good law. We believe the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals will uphold it in the future.



Arkansas Has Its First Pro-Life Counties!

In July, Washington County and Benton County became the first counties in Arkansas to pass resolutions declaring that their communities are pro-life. Cleburne and Crawford counties followed in August. This is excellent news! Our team was thrilled to get to work with pro-lifers in these communities who wanted to pass these resolutions. If you would like to be part of the effort to pass a pro-life resolution in your city or county, please contact us. We have a resolution you can take to your local officials along with other resources that may help you pass a pro-life resolution in your community.

Planned Parenthood's PAC Not Active in Arkansas So Far This Year

Planned Parenthood's political action committee—Planned Parenthood Great Plains Votes Arkansas—has not been very active in the Natural State this year. Although the nation's largest abortion provider has filed lawsuits to block new legislation from taking effect in Arkansas, the group's PAC that contributes to candidates has been largely dormant. Reports filed with the Arkansas Secretary of State's office indicate the PAC has not received any campaign donations this year, but it currently has \$15,096.65 in its bank account.

Political action committees donate money to candidates and political causes. In 2020 Planned Parenthood Federation announced it would spend at least \$45 million in an effort to unseat pro-life lawmakers and elect candidates who support abortion. As part of that plan, the group used its PAC in Arkansas to support candidates for state and federal office. Four of the candidates Planned Parenthood endorsed won their elections:

- Rep. Denise Ennet (D – Little Rock)
- Rep. Tippi McCullough (D – Little Rock)
- Sen. Clarke Tucker (D – Little Rock)
- Rep. David Whitaker (D – Fayetteville)

We fully expect Planned Parenthood to make campaign contributions in Arkansas in next year's election, but for now the group's political action committee seems to be keeping a low profile.



Policy Points: Unpacking Critical Theory's Critical Errors

By Erin Hogan, Family Council

"Critical Theory." Most of us have heard this phrase in passing. We've most likely heard of some of its offspring: Critical Race Theory, post-colonialism, critical pedagogy, postmodernism, feminism, sociology, and queer theory, just to name a few. The term was officially coined in the 1930s by a group of Marxist sociologists and philosophers at the Frankfurt School in Germany.

Critical Theory's main argument says that any human society can be divided up into two different groups: Those who have power and those who don't. According to Critical Theory, those who have power oppress those who don't have power. Any institution, relationship, or belief that is established by those in power is used for oppression. Thus, Critical Theory says that institutions like the church, government, the police, and the family are used by the oppressor to

oppress certain groups. As a result, we see Critical Theory activists arise to tear down governing authority and structure.

These groups can be broken down even further into class, race, gender, sexuality, ability status, immigration status, income, sexual-orientation, religion, gender-identity, and nationality. This is called "group identity." Critical Theory defines our identity based on what group we fit in and determines whether we are the oppressor or the oppressed.

Critical Theory not only divides people by placing humanity into groups, but it also does so by creating a victimhood mentality. The more someone is a "victim" within a particular "group", the more empowered that person can feel, according to Critical Theory—which gives the "oppressed" a moral high ground and authority.

This idea can blind us to the truth of God's word and our need for Him. When we look through God's lens, we see that we are His image bearers. We do not have to be defined by victimhood or oppressor status. We can see humanity as fallen and in need of a merciful God. John McArthur states, "When we see ourselves primarily as victims rather than perpetrators, we obscure—if not completely blind ourselves—to our fundamental need for the mercy and forgiveness found only in Christ." Thankfully in God's saving grace, we can find our true identity and worth.

We can all agree that any form of oppression is wrong, but it is not the only thing wrong in the world. If we're thinking biblically, we see that oppression is a result of sin and the fall, but it is not the "original sin" as Critical Theory suggests. Influence and power should not be hated. We should seek to have a cultural influence for all things good and true.

Romans 3:23 says all have sinned and fallen short. Even though humanity is in opposition to God because of sin, we can find hope in our Savior. There are real problems that we are facing today, and they need a solution. We can rest in hope despite these problems and false ideologies we face in society because we have the truth of God's Word to guide us. Soli Deo Gloria!

Biden-Harris Administration to Nominate Federal Judge for Arkansas in Coming Weeks

Near the end of last year U.S. District Judge Paul Holmes, III, of Fort Smith announced he would take Senior Status effective November 10, 2021. Senior Status is a form of semi-retirement for federal judges. It means that the Biden-Harris Administration will nominate someone to take his place as a fulltime district judge for the Western District of Arkansas.

As of this summer, there were some 80 federal court vacancies across the nation and another 30 judicial positions that are set to become vacant in the coming months. The Biden-Harris Administration likely will work to fill all of these judgeships between now and 2024. U.S. District Court nominations rarely receive very much attention, but they

are critical judicial positions. When a state law is challenged in federal court, district judges are the first to hear the case. Right now many of the district judges in Arkansas—including U.S. District Judges Paul Holmes, James Moody, and Kristine Baker—are Obama appointees. Because our district courts lean to the left, Arkansas often loses court cases over abortion and other social issues at the lower level, but we get better rulings from the more conservative judges on the Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals. It doesn't look like those dynamics are going to change under President Biden. However, it will be interesting to see who he nominates to replace Judge Holmes in the coming weeks.



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David Cox

Policy Points: If You Were Really Pro-Life, Then You Would . . .

By David Cox, Family Council

It wasn't long after the COVID-19 pandemic began last year that social media started to see a flurry of arguments that more or less went something like this:

- "If you were really pro-life, then you'd stay home and stay safe."
- "If you were really pro-life, then you'd social distance."
- "If you were really pro-life, then you'd wear a mask."

As the public health emergency changed, so did the arguments, to something more like this:

- "If our state were really pro-life, we wouldn't tolerate so many COVID deaths!"
- "If lawmakers were really pro-life, they would require masks in public schools!"
- "If you're really pro-life, you'll get vaccinated as soon as you can!"

The wording varied, but at the end of the day, many people argued that being pro-life meant doing whatever it took to stop the coronavirus. In other words, being pro-life means opposing abortion *and* supporting mask mandates *and* getting vaccinated *and* social distancing *and* fighting misinformation about COVID *and* on *and* on *and* on.

To be fair, there may be compelling reasons to do these things, but is that really what being pro-life requires of us? Consider these words the late Chuck Colson penned more than 32 years ago in his book *Against The Night*:

Even as we identify ourselves as resolutely pro-life, we must understand that the way Christians define their terms can make all the difference in one's focus and agenda...

Cardinal Joseph Bernardin of Chicago has attacked those who call themselves pro-life but who don't support a "consistent ethic of life," which would include issues like racial tension, homelessness, government economic policies, and above all, nuclear deterrence... the idea [is] that to be consistently pro-life one must oppose both abortion and nuclear deterrence, euthanasia and the economic exploitation inherent to industrial capitalism...

The effect of [this argument] is to transform respect for life into veneration of life. Biological life becomes the overriding human value. Anything that threatens it must be resisted...

If we are willing to protect life at any cost, then the price we pay will be too high... Some things such as justice and freedom must be more important than life if life is to be worth anything at all. If we lack the moral reserve to die... to preserve these principles against those who assault them, then we will end up both betraying our principles and losing our lives...

[Venerating life] holds every other human value hostage, and then, one by one, executes them.

Colson's point is clear: Being pro-life has never meant that we preserve biological life at all costs. If that were the case, we probably would fight to keep people locked away in padded cells where nothing bad could ever happen to them. We honor human life, but we don't worship it.

Being pro-life means we respect the sanctity and dignity of human life. We don't take innocent human life through abortion, euthanasia, or assisted suicide. We don't cheapen it by putting a price tag on it or by letting people take life without consequences. We work to foster an environment where human life is valued. But if we worship human life above everything else, we ultimately will lose it—and everything else in the process.

Marijuana Linked to Psychotic Episodes, Vomiting

In July NBC News published an article regarding the link between high-potency marijuana and psychotic episodes and vomiting. Among other things, NBC's report highlights:

- An increase in the number of reports of marijuana users going to the ER due to psychotic episodes and vomiting.
- A 2019 study that found using marijuana with THC lev-

els exceeding 10% increased the odds of a psychotic episode.

- A growing body of research that suggests marijuana can have damaging effects on adolescent brains.

It's important to point out that most marijuana today qualifies as "high-potency." The average amount of THC in mari-

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Marijuana Linked to Psychotic Episodes, Vomiting *(continued)*

juana has risen significantly in recent years—especially as states have moved to legalize so-called “medical” and recreational marijuana. That is part of the reason experts have warned children and pregnant women about the dangers of marijuana. A recent study out of California found a link between heavy marijuana use during pregnancy and negative health outcomes among children. Other researchers have found marijuana use fuels self-harm among young

men. And a study recently published in *JAMA Pediatrics* found heavy cannabis use among adolescents and young adults with mood disorders is “associated with an elevated risk of self-harm, overall mortality, and death by unintentional overdose and homicide.” The list goes on, but all of this underscores what we have said for years: Marijuana may be many things, but “harmless” is not one of them.

Only 17% of Lottery Proceeds Went for Scholarships in FY 2021

The Arkansas Lottery wrapped up its 2021 fiscal year over the summer. All told, nearly 70% of the Lottery’s revenue went to prizes for lottery players. Only 17% went to pay for college scholarships. For perspective, the typical state-run lottery budgets about 25%–30% of its revenue for education and about 60% for prizes. The Arkansas Lottery could pay millions of dollars more to scholarships if it would structure its budget the way other states do. Unfortunately, the Arkansas Lottery hasn’t shown any interest in operating that way, and state legislators repeatedly have rejected proposals that would require the Lottery to budget a minimum portion of its revenue for scholarships.

In 2008 we predicted that a state-run lottery would pull hundreds of millions of dollars out of Arkansas’ economy, hurt the poor, and fail to meet expectations, and that lottery officials would be able to earmark as little money as they wanted for college scholarships. Unfortunately, all of those predictions came true.

The Arkansas Lottery grossed nearly \$632.6 million in Fiscal Year 2021. Arkansans spent well over a million dollars per day on lottery tickets, on average. Arkansas’ poorest counties have very high lottery ticket sales—which means that our poorest neighbors may be playing the lottery out of desperation, hoping to “hit it big.” The Arkansas Lottery has failed to deliver on its promise of providing \$100 million per year in scholarship funding.

Back in 2013 one person told me about something they witnessed: A child in an Arkansas gas station asked her mother for money to buy food. The child looked hungry, and the family looked poor. The parent—who had just lost a considerable amount of money on scratch-off tickets—told the child, “We don’t have money for that.” They left the gas station with less than they entered because of the lottery. That’s a problem, and we have the Arkansas Lottery to thank for it.

Promises Kept and Goals for the Year

Establish a Rapid Response Network that can impact public policy in Arkansas? Check.

Require hospitals and nursing homes to let people be with their loved ones during a pandemic? Check.

Secure passage of legislation preventing sex-change operations on children and keeping boys out of girls’ sports? Check.

Make assessments like the PSAT, ACT, and AP tests more accessible for home schoolers? Check.

Oppose euthanasia and assisted suicide in Arkansas? Check.

These are just some of the goals we’ve met this year. In the fall of 2020, my team and I made a list of objectives we wanted to achieve. We shared that list with our friends and supporters, and we have worked very hard to achieve everything on it. Looking back, I’m proud of what my team was able to accomplish.

Here is some of what we hope to accomplish in the coming months:

- Maintain an active role in the Arkansas Legislature’s October session.
- Address issues like COVID-19 vaccine mandates, vaccine passports, and critical race theory from a thoughtful, biblical perspective.
- Make sure our good laws are properly implemented and enforced.
- Continue establishing pro-life cities and counties across Arkansas.
- Continue supporting efforts to end abortion in Arkansas.
- Prepare for the 2022 Arkansas Voter’s Guide that will show where candidates stand on important issues.
- Host monthly prayer meetings.
- Grow our Rapid Response Team.
- Prevent the State of Arkansas from taxing nonprofits.
- Work on legislation for when lawmakers reconvene in 2023.
- Educate and equip citizens to take a stand on important issues.
- Monitor the lawsuits surrounding Arkansas’ SAFE Act and Arkansas’ law prohibiting abortion.

Join The Family Council Prayer Network!

My staff and I wanted to invite you to join the Family Council Prayer Network. We started this network during the 2019 Legislative Session as we knew prayer needs would arise as we worked on important legislation. Since then, the prayer network has grown to over 300 members—and monthly

prayer meetings with guests from all over the nation! Our next prayer meeting will be hosted online on Thursday, September 26, at 11:00 AM with Alliance Defending Freedom attorney Matt Sharp. You can join our prayer network by emailing Erin at erin@familycouncil.org.

THREE WAYS YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE RIGHT NOW!

Do you feel like our country is on the right track right now?

If you said, “No,” you aren’t alone. If you look at recent, reliable polling, you find that most voters feel like the country is heading in the wrong direction.

Do you ever feel like there’s nothing you can do about the direction our country is going? Well, I want to give you three things that you can do right now:

First, you can pray. If ever there was a time that God’s people needed to commit themselves to prayer for our state and our nation, this is it. I hope you will pray for my team and me as well, and ask God to provide for us and direct our work.

Second, you can join our Rapid Response Network. If you’re part of our Rapid Response Team, there’s no doubt you’re making a difference in Arkansas. When serious issues come up in Little Rock, our Rapid Response Team springs into action. Rapid Response Team members call, text, and email their legislators, and they help their friends get in touch with their legislators as well. You can join our Rapid Response Team today. Check out the flyer enclosed with this letter to learn how.

Third, you can partner with us financially. When you give a generous, tax-deductible gift to Family Council, you can trust that we will work to stretch your gift as far as it will go. Your gift can help protect unborn children, support home schoolers, secure passage of good legislation, and much more. There are a lot of really great organizations that you could support, but nobody else does the same work that we do. I never want anyone to feel pressured to give, but if you are able you can send a generous, tax-deductible donation right now using the return envelope enclosed with this letter or by going to FamilyCouncil.org.

Thank you for standing with us. I can’t tell you enough how much it means to have friends and supporters like you. Give us a call if there’s ever anything we can do for you!

Sincerely,

Jerry Cox, President

P.S. With everything happening in the news, it feels like our nation has entered a new era. I’m not sure what the coming months will bring, but I’m grateful for your friendship and your financial support. I hope you will read everything in this letter, because there is a lot going on right now, and I don’t want you to miss it. Please remember to pray for me and my staff. Thank you!



About Us: Family Council is a conservative, Christian non-profit organization based in Little Rock, Arkansas. Jerry Cox founded Family Council in 1989 in association with Dr. James Dobson and Focus on the Family. Our mission is to promote, protect, and strengthen traditional family values. We educate and equip families and churches to make Arkansas a better place to live, work, and raise a family, and we lobby lawmakers and elected officials on important issues that matter to families. Our work is funded by generous supporters all over Arkansas.
