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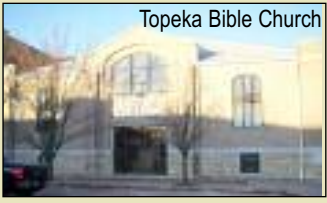
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Three reasons why Christians should consider fostering children



As Christians we should be committed to taking the love of Christ to some of the most broken areas of our community. One of those areas is orphan care, and we should want to see a culture that cares for the fatherless.

An enormous—but often forgotten—step in caring for orphans is foster care. I asked a local Christian social worker why Christians should care about fostering.

This was her response:
I've been a foster-care worker for some time. This has given me the incredible opportunity to be a witness of what it looks like when families step out of their comfort zone and step into a child and their family's lives. I've seen foster parents who lose sleep for weeks to wake children up and take them to the rest room because trauma sometimes makes children wet the bed every night. I've seen foster parents worry, cry, and fight for help for these children only to lose battle

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★ The Billy Graham organization offers wisdom on a very, uh, unique presidential election ★

by the **Billy Graham Evangelistic Association**
This Nov. 8, American voters will decide what is arguably the most consequential presidential election in decades. Maybe ever. Two major party candidates are being offered to voters. Two distinct visions are being cast. One vision includes a nation where free speech and religious liberty are constitutionally protected, bedrock principles. The other continues along a path where such principles are quickly

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INSIDE:
Candidates, issues, party platforms, races explained

Investing in Children – Community Build Rescheduled

Playgrounds to be built for Children's Palace

The Topeka Rescue Mission has rescheduled its "Big Build" which was formerly postponed due to complications with materials deliveries.

Our community will now be joining together Tuesday, October 24th through Saturday, October 29th, to invest in the lives of homeless children through the construction of playgrounds which will be located onsite of the Topeka Rescue Mission Children's Palace (601 NW Harrison St). Once operational, the Palace will care for up to 124 children at any given time who are under the age of six. With an emphasis on helping children understand their value and worth, develop secure attachment and achieve kinder-



garten readiness, the Children's Palace will be used to help break the generational cycle of homelessness and bring positive transformation to the Topeka community. Investment through volunteer support during the build is a huge

piece of bringing this vision to fruition. The desire of the Topeka Rescue Mission is for the entire community to have the opportunity to assist in some way. For that reason, the event was



developed to be family-friendly with opportunities for children and adults of all ages to become involved. The first three days of the build will consist of skilled carpenters working together

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THE REDEMPTION - Formerly Judgment House - Set To Open

Topeka's Long-Running, Walk-Through Halloween Alternative is Back

Wanamaker Woods Church of the Nazarene's long running presentation, formerly known as Judgment House – now The Redemption – is set to run October 19, 22, 23, 26, 29 and 30 from 6:00 - 8:40 PM. Special emphasis will be given to Youth Groups on Wednesday and Sunday nights.

The Redemption 2016 follows two teens who suffer severe mental, emotional and verbal abuse from their father, John, who is also on the ministry team at their church. As an adult, Lizzy turns to a bottle to drown her feelings of inadequacy. Through his love for baseball, Josh finds room for forgiveness and reconciles with his dad. Can Josh convince Lizzy to do the same before it's too late? Visitors will be guided through a series of rooms that tell a story of how Josh's and Lizzy's lives have been cut short due to a tragedy,



not uncommon to news stories today. Those who attend will see how their untimely deaths impact family and what they experience beyond the grave.

Reservations can be made through the Reservation Hotline at 785-491-1839 on a first come, first serve basis, with preference given to youth

groups on Wednesday and Sunday evenings.

There is a suggested donation of \$4.00 per person in advance or \$5.00 at the door. Visa & Mastercard are accepted. The Redemption is presented at Wanamaker Woods Church of the Nazarene, 3501 SW Wanamaker Rd.

Tim Tebow Believes Missionary Work Prepared Him for Minor Leagues

Tim Tebow's years of missionary work may have prepared him for minor league baseball.

Last month the former college football champion Tebow signed with the New

York Mets instructional league and was warned about the less than lavish lifestyle that he would have to undertake. According to The Washington Post, Tebow's agent warned him about the

humble grind of a minor league baseball player, one that the Christian athlete has no qualms about.

"First of all, what you need to understand is I have taken so many long jitney rides in the Philippines and Thailand and so many countries. I have taken so many bucket baths in third-world countries and had times when there's no running water, there's no electricity," Tebow said. "I'll be all right. I can handle that. I will be totally fine."

He went on to further explain some of the living conditions he has endured as recently as this summer.

"Sometime this summer, I was in the Philippines for three weeks," Tebow said. "It's not like we had the chance to take a shower every night. I'll be okay."

Tebow has had a shaky NFL career over the past few years, with a tough time getting signed since his 2012 stint with the New York Jets. However, the former NFL quarterback said he was willing to make sacrifices to pursue his baseball dreams that he has had since childhood.

"This isn't about publicity. It's definitely not about money," he told reporters earlier this month. "I took a pay cut to do this. For me, you pursue what you love regardless of what else happens. If you fail or fall flat on your face, and that's the worst thing that can happen, it's OK."

While his baseball pursuits have been the subject of jokes on social media, Tebow questioned why his pursuit of the sport was under scrutiny.

"When did pursuing what you love become such a bad thing," he asked. "I'll make all the sacrifices to be the best I can."

Jimmy Sexton, Tebow's NFL agent, has faith in the athlete doing well transitioning to baseball.

"Obviously we support Tim in his pursuit of a baseball career, as we have in all his ventures," said Sexton, according to ESPN reports. "Tim's athletic ability, his work ethic, his leadership and his competitiveness were evident in football and will show in baseball. Knowing Tim's passion and desire, we won't be surprised by anything he accomplishes."

Life Lessons From a Little One

WHEN NO ONE IS WATCHING

by Jessica S. Hosman

My son opened up the car door after school with a huge smile on his face. He had a month of kindergarten under his belt and came home each day with a fun story of something that had happened that day. Today's story was a simple one, but yet taught me a few lessons in life.

He was rushing towards the door of the school to leave for the day and saw two girls doing the same. He shared with me that in his mind he thought, "Hmm... what could I do special for these two girls?" *Lesson #1: How many of us stop to ponder how we can bless strangers, especially when rushing to and fro?*

In an instant the thought came to him, "I know... I can be a gentleman and hold the door for them!" *Lesson #2: Manners are something that we tend to do when we know our mothers are around or others are watching. But when we are hurrying along and don't know those around us, how many of us still exercise those manners and integrity to extend a demeanor that exemplifies Jesus Christ? When standing in line at Walmart for 20 minutes while the cashier is distracted and taking their time? When the car in front of us is going exactly the speed limit or slightly below when we are already late for an appointment? When our child is trying to tell a story but we've got dinner to prepare, phone calls to make or other "important" tasks to tend to?*

"Then, Mommy," my son proudly declared, "I held the door open for them and let them walk through." A look of satisfaction filled his beaming face. *Lesson #3: When we have been sensitive to the people around us and inwardly acknowl-*

edged a way to bless a stranger nearby, how many of us actually immediately follow-through versus dismissing the thought and telling ourselves we'll do so another day?

Tomorrow is never promised. The Word shares with us to never withhold good when it's in our power to act (Proverbs 3:27). And that as we have opportunity, we should do good unto everyone (Galatians 6:10). Daily we are surrounded by innumerable opportunities. Some are highly obvious; others we may need to look for. My son looked for one. Sure, holding a door open for two girls is not an earth-shaking event, but he's five and this was his way of intentionally doing something special for two people he didn't know. He didn't have to do it. No one expected him to do it. No one would have thought any less of him if he hadn't done it. And I'm sure those two girls really didn't think much of it. But God saw that simple act of kindness and this momma heard about it. It moved me to be more intentional about considering how I can go out of my way to do something special for others. And it also made me recognize that, regardless of our actions, whether we're hurried or not, God sees and others often hear. I don't want anyone to hear that I was overly irritated in the checkout line, fuming in a traffic jam or treating others disrespectfully in some other way. I want them to hear that, when I thought no one was watching, I loved the one in front of me by doing something intentional to show I care. Through that, the light of Christ shines and our Father in heaven is glorified (Matthew 5:16). May we all be intentional about shining that light and bringing glory to Him.



Jessica Hosman

BUILD

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to frame the playgrounds.

Beginning on Thursday, October 27th, approximately 100 volunteers per day (skilled and unskilled) will be needed to complete the work. The build will take place daily in three shifts: 8-12pm, 12:30-5pm, and 5:30-9pm. During this time, a number of volunteer skilled laborers are needed

to help with carpentry and construction and additional volunteers are needed to fill vital positions such as art and painting, childcare, meal/snack preparation and other general support. Pre-registration is available at www.trmonline.org where frequently asked questions can also be viewed.

To learn more, visit trmonline.org and click on "big build." To become a volunteer, contact the Volunteer Department at volunteer@trmonline.org or 785-354-1744-x393.





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Barnabas Movement / Barnabas Student Ministries Earns Accreditation by ECFA

TOPEKA, KS – The ECFA (Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability) has announced the accreditation of Barnabas Movement / Barnabas Student Ministries of Topeka, KS.

ECFA accreditation is based on the ECFA Seven Standards of Responsible Stewardship™, including financial accountability, transparency, sound board governance and ethical fundraising.

Barnabas Movement / Barnabas Student Ministries joins a growing number of Christ-centered churches and ministries across America, supported by over 27 million donors that have earned the right to display the ECFA seal. When an organization is accredited by ECFA, it demonstrates its willingness to follow the model of biblical accountability.

“We are pleased to accredit a ministry committed to be a conduit moving people from the general public into local congregations,” said Dan Busby, president of ECFA.

Founded in 2012, Barnabas Movement / Barnabas Student Ministries (www.barnabasstudentministries.org) is a stateside missions organization which creates relational environments focused on youth ministry and community development. Their pri-



Cafe Barnabas at Westridge Mall

mary tool is Tea Cafes.

To learn more about Barnabas Movement / Barnabas Student Ministries, their stewardship opportunities and more visit www.ecfa.org/ServantMatch.aspx?ID=41178, ECFA's program that matches God's servants with the stewardship

options of ECFA members based on ministry sectors and categories. It is ECFA's newest online feature that allows you to quickly and easily find giving opportunities.

ECFA, founded in 1979, provides accreditation to leading Christian non-profit organizations that faithfully demonstrate compliance with the ECFA Standards pertaining to financial accountability, fundraising and board governance. For more information about ECFA, including information about accreditation and a listing of ECFA-accredited members, visit www.ecfa.org or call 1-800-323-9473.

C5Alive Invites All Pastors to Appreciation Luncheon

Faith Based Community Initiative to be Highlighted

The annual C5Alive "Pastor's Appreciation Luncheon" will be held at Great Overland Station on October 13 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

It will honor the city's pastors with a free luncheon, inspirational speakers, as well as gift bags for each pastor.



Brownback

Speaking at the luncheon will be Mary Brownback and Mike Siebert of HOPE Mentoring. They will give an overview on the Faith Based and Community Initiative Program

HOPE Mentoring for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) clients is a voluntary one-on-one relationship between a volunteer and a TANF client. The mentor provides support, counsel, friendship, reinforcement and a constructive example by helping the mentee reach his/her academic, career, social and personal goals. The goal is to build problem-solving skills

and end the cycle of dependency and generational poverty.

The cost to attend the luncheon is \$10 for C5Alive members and first-time guests who RSVP, and \$12 at the door. Non-members and other guests pay \$15. C5 luncheons are open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend, organizers said. RSVPs and inquiries can be sent to info@C5Alive.org.

C5Alive is an organization founded in 2009, dedicated to developing and uniting Christian Leadership in the community, involving businesses, non-profits and churches.

In addition to monthly "POWER" luncheons, C5 also hosts periodic business fairs and other events, including the annual Topeka Easter Parade and Family Fun Fest, held in Gage Park on the day before Easter.

C5 members may also sponsor luncheons and other events as a way to promote their organizations. For more information about C5, go to C5Alive.org, facebook.com/C5Alive, or call 785-640-6399.



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Italian Festival Returns

Christ the King Catholic Church will host its second annual family-friendly Italian festival, "Rome Sweet Home," on Saturday, October 15, from 4-7:30p.m. p.m. on the parish grounds at 25th and Wanamaker. It begins with an outdoor Mass at 4 p.m.; followed by food and entertainment at 5:30, including a sit-down Italian dinner in Parish Center (advance purchase required at CTKtopeka.org). Food trucks and snack/ice cream vendors will be available throughout the evening, along with wine and beer gardens, children's activities and inflatables. Mikey Needleman Band will perform from 5:30-7:30, followed by a professional fireworks display shortly after dusk.

For more information, visit ctktopeka.org; or call the Church at 785-273-0710, School at 785-272-2220 or EEC at 785-272-2999.

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Faith and money build a Kansas prison chapel

BY BECCY TANNER

God, faith and inmates are building a chapel at the Hutchinson Correctional Facility.

So the prison resembles a construction zone these days.

"Our prison chapels remind us we are working on God's time," said Steve Dechant, board chair of the Hutchinson Spiritual Life Center. "... And sometimes we kind of wish God would speed things up a bit."

The project is being funded with private donations and may take a few more years to complete. It already has taken six years to get to this point.

The correctional facilities in Ellsworth, El Dorado and Oswego have all built and

enforced.

It may seem an unlikely location. It was not handicap accessible, there were no bathrooms and the windows had been covered for more than half a century.

All expenses are being covered by private donations. As much work as possible is done by inmates, Dechant said.

The new chapel space will include bathrooms, an elevator, areas for offices and storage, and a sound system.

"We have expended between \$300,000 and \$350,000 so far" in demolition and steel framing, Dechant said. "The things we have coming up – the electrical, heating and air conditioning, the plumbing, painting – will run in excess of \$400,000."

"We are not going to borrow money. We do it only as we have the money, and



opened new chapels within the past decade. Six years ago, Hutchinson prison officials recognized the need for an expanded chapel.

Prison staff showed media the construction area this week and the plans for the future.

Past towering limestone walls, fences, locked doors and barred windows, the seeds of faith are beginning to take shape.

More than 22 religions are recognized by 1,000 inmates within the prison walls, according to Chaplain Oscar Gomez. Those faiths include Catholic, Protestant, Buddhist, Islam, Jehovah's Witnesses, Assembly of Yahweh and Asatru, a pre-Christian Nordic religion.

The new chapel is being created from a nearly century-old gymnasium and auditorium in the Hutch Central portion of the prison, where maximum security is

we are doing it by private donation."

The prison's Spiritual Life Center is meant to be a place of hope.

"Seeds of faith need time to germinate, and the Spiritual Life Center is a place for the seeds of faith to germinate," Dechant said. "It will be a place for opportunity and a place for prayer and learning."

Faith does change people, said Hutchinson Warden Don Schnurr. The Spiritual Life Center at Ellsworth is in the center of that prison's campus, he said.

Inmates there told him "that it changed the culture of the institution," Schnurr said. "It lifted it and made it brighter and turned the focus from negative behavior to positive."

"We can't build a new building in the center of our main buildings but hopefully it will become the focus."

ISIS Kill List Names Over 15 Thousand Christian Americans Targeted for Death

By BETHANY BLANKLEY

According to a report recently made public, early this year, ISIS specifically identified 15,000 Christian Americans for death and instructed jihadists already in America to begin widespread murder.

The Kill List report comes in the wake of ISIS already publicly warning American and British Christians that "they were next." British police last week publicly warned its 5.4 million Christians to be on alert and in some areas increased security.

But, Circa News reports that the FBI did not notify American Christians who are on the ISIS "Kill Lists." On its website it states:

"The FBI did not alert numerous Americans that they were placed on secret Islamic State kill lists or notify their local police about the potential dangers, a lapse in the government's efforts to combat the terrorist group's evolving strategy to target everyday citizens."

"To date, the terror group that goes by the acronym ISIS has published on encrypted web sites several hit lists naming more than 15,000 people it would like to see killed by sleeper cells or lone wolves in New York, Texas, Florida and California."

Circa News was able to obtain copies of some of the lists and several individuals named on the lists. In Texas, for example, Circa News contacted 24 people marked for death. Out them, 22 had no idea that there was such a list or that they were on it.

It is believed that the list was purportedly created from an Internet search of church directories.

Michael Snyder of Charisma News reported a situation a reader submitted. The reader says the FBI did inform him that he and his wife are on the list. After further research, they discovered that his pastor and other members of his church were also on the ISIS Kill List.

Leaders of Christian organizations and Christian pastors should contact their local FBI and law enforcement to investigate if they are on the list and also request that security measures be taken to protect their congregation.

Despite the warning, good news does exist. Snyder pointed to a Detroit News article that describes how a 21 year-old Islamist from Dearborn Heights, Michigan, Khalil abu-Rayyan, decided that because he couldn't commit Jihad overseas—he would find a mega-church in Detroit.

He purchased a gun and identified his target—which seats up to 6,000 people. But the God of the



Fighters of Libyan forces allied with the U.N.-backed government fire a rocket at Islamic State fighters in Sirte, Libya. (REUTERS/Goran Tomasevic)

Bible had other plans—and undercover FBI agent who had been in correspondence with him since last year was able to thwart abu-Rayyan's plans.

According to court records, The Detroit News reports that abu-Rayyan said he didn't know the name of the church but knew it was one of the largest churches in Detroit.

He bragged: "I had it planned

out. I bought a bunch of bullets. I practiced a lot with it. I practiced reloading and unloading. But my dad searched my car one day, and he found everything. He found the gun and the bullets and a mask I was going to wear."

The Detroit News also mentions that abu-Rayyan "told an undercover FBI employee that attacking a

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Pause the debt snowball

Dear Dave,

I'm going through a divorce that's about to become final in two weeks. I moved in with my parents temporarily while I save up money to get my own place and start over. I make \$30,000 a year, and it looks like I'll have around \$43,000 in debt when the divorce is finalized. Should I pause my debt snowball in order to financially get back on my feet again?

Adam

Dear Adam,

Yeah, that's what I would do. There are reasons to pause the debt snowball, and one of those can be going through a divorce. Not only are there expenses, but you may end up with payments you don't even expect.

I think the motivation and the heart behind the debt snowball is that you gain momentum and traction, and you do it quickly when you're in a positive emotional position. You may not have that right now, so I think pressing pause and building up for expenses that may come — plus getting your own place — is a good idea.

Just rent the cheapest spot you can as soon as possible. Then, once you get in there and get your life in operational mode again, you'll be ready to rock on!

—Dave

Insurance for young couple

Dear Dave,

My wife and I are both in our early 20s, we're debt-free, and we're just a couple of months away from having a fully loaded emergency fund of six months of expenses. We both also have 401(k) plans at work, and we're looking forward to starting addi-

tional investments later this year.

Right now, we're trying to decide on which life insurance policies to buy. I know you always recommend term insurance, but how long should the coverage last? Would you suggest 15-, 20- or 30-year policies
Anonymous

Dear Anonymous,

Wow, it sounds like you two are starting your lives together on the right foot. Congratulations on being super smart with your money!

I recommend 15- or 20-year level term policies, unless you have children. I'm assuming kids are not in the picture, since you didn't mention any. Then, if you decide to grow your family at some point down the road, I'd advise converting those to 30-year term policies. The idea behind this is you want the insurance to be there to protect everyone in the family until the kids are out on their own and established.

In the meantime and in the years after, your continued saving and wealth building will lead you to a place where you and your wife are self-insured.

Way to go, guys. I'm proud of you!
—Dave

How much house?

Dear Dave,

Based on your annual income, how do you determine how much house you can afford?

Ryan

Dear Ryan,

I always tell folks never get a home loan where the monthly payment is more than a fourth of your take home pay. I'm talking about basing this on a 15-year, fixed-rate mort-



DAVE RAMSEY
Financial author, radio host, television personality, and motivational speaker

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gage. Twenty-five percent of your monthly take home pay is the absolute most you should have going out the door toward a mortgage payment.

I realize that's a pretty conservative number in most people's minds. You can actually, technically qualify for almost twice that figure. But I think having that much of your paycheck going toward house payments is pretty dumb. Your shortest, quickest path to wealth is being debt-free. And when most of your money isn't flying out the door to make payments on stuff, it's easy to build wealth and increase your level of generosity!
—Dave

Invest in Chandler

Dear Dave,

I'm 19 years old, and I'm putting myself through college debt-free. I usually work part time during the semesters, but right now I'm working full time. I have about \$2,000 in mutual funds, and I was wondering if I should add my full-time work income to that or save it all to help pay for school.

Chandler

Dear Chandler,

Wow! Great job, man! I appreciate that you're looking toward the future with your investment, but right now I want you to invest in you. I want you to make sure, first and foremost, that you graduate college debt-free. So, if I'm in your shoes, I'm piling up the cash to pay for school.

You're in a season of your life where things are more hectic than you probably ever dreamed they could be. My advice is to keep that money liquid. Keep it available and on hand, and don't tie it up in mutual funds at the moment. You'll have plenty of time to continue investing once you graduate.

It's best for you to concentrate on finishing school, then landing a job and finding a place to live after college. Even if you end up living in the same place for a while, starting life in the real world takes money, so let's make sure you can make that happen. In other words, Chandler, as long as you do something with your education and that education is in an area that's useable, you are a better investment than mutual funds

right now!

—Dave

A free ride?

Dear Dave,

My son is going off to college soon, but he's never had a job. His uncle has offered him a really nice, low mileage used car for \$3,000. My husband doesn't want us to give him money for the car, but I think this deal is just too good to pass up. What do you think?

Tonya

Dear Tonya,

Unless there's some sort of disability that's prevented your son from working part time over the last few years, I've got to agree with your husband on this. Your son needs a car, but he also needs to get off his butt and work for it. If you get this car for him, you're just teaching him that mommy and uncle will take care of everything. That's not a good lesson for any child to learn, and it's an especially bad thing for a teenager.

When you and your husband first started out in life, I'm guessing you didn't start out rich. Am I right? It's not really the car deal that's the problem here; it's the lesson that will be learned. At his age, it's silly for him not to want to work for a car, and you and your husband need to be up in his face about that. Then, if he chooses not to work for a car, he can walk. He shouldn't be rewarded for showing no desire to go earn things and make stuff happen.

When my son was around that age and wanting a car, he was working his tail off around my office packing boxes and painting stairwells. That's how you learn about the benefits of hard work. If you don't teach your son how to work now, he'll be living with you when he's 30 years old and doing exactly what he's doing now — which is nothing.

This automobile deal is a bad deal, because it doesn't teach your son to work for it.

—Dave

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THE DIVINE CALL TO POLITICAL ENGAGEMENT



ADRIAN ROGERS
Pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church before passing away in 2005

viewpoint

Editor's Note: Taken from the booklet Christian Citizenship, by Adrian Rogers, who passed away in 2005, served as pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church, in Memphis for more than 30 years.

Our government is a government of the people, by the people and for the people. We are some of "the people," and we are to participate in our government. Jesus said to give to Caesar the things that belong to Caesar and give to God the things that belong to God (Mark 12:17).

If you do not participate in your government, you have not rendered to your Caesar the things that belong to your Caesar.

If, for example, you do not vote—in my estimation, you have disobeyed the Lord Jesus Christ. It is inconceivable that God would have ordained human government and then tell His



people to stay out of it. If that is true, who does that leave to run it?

We as Christians are to participate, not on the basis of parties or persons or politics, but on principles. Our highest allegiance is to God, but we have a duty to our country as well.

We're not to force our views on anyone else, but we should be persuasive in what we do. Our government is a democracy, and America is based on public opinion. May I tell you, the only hope for America is to change public opinion? Do you know the only thing that can change public opinion? The Word of God.

We have to get the message of the Bible out there. We are not going to out-argue anyone. They are blind and don't see it. They need to know

Jesus Christ, and they will find Him in the pages of God's Word. We are supposed to persuade our people. We are to be taking them back one at a time and winning souls to Jesus Christ.

I've been to Rome. The Colosseum would seat 50,000 people. They would put the Christians in the Colosseum and make them fight with gladiators and redden the mouths of lions with their blood, and it was for entertainment. Caesar would be looking down upon those people in the Colosseum, but underneath it were the catacombs. In those subterranean tunnels, Christians would huddle together to worship.

It seemed there was not a chance on this earth that those Christians



Left, Egyptian Coptic Christians about to be murdered by ISIS in Libya. Above, Christians in the Colosseum. Little has changed in 2000 years though the murderers have a worldwide audience instead of a colosseum with 50,000 people.

hiding under the Colosseum could have done anything at all about what was going on up on the surface, but those folks started a spiritual revolution that turned that whole thing upside down. It caused a mighty revival that brought the empire crashing down and exalted the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

I want to be like those in the catacombs who said, "Lord, You alone are God. We have no king but Jesus." That's where the power is. It's not political influence that we need. It is the power of God that we need. Our hope is not in government; our hope is in Almighty God!

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Prev. Occupation: Public Official
Prev. Political Exp.: One term, US Senate, 2000-09
Education: BA, Wellesley College, 1969; JD Yale University, 1975
Birthdate: 10/26/1947
Religion: Methodist



DONALD TRUMP
Residence: New York
Marital Status: Married
Prev. Occupation: Businessman
Prev. Political Exp.: No prior elected office
Education: BS Economics, Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania, 1968
Birthdate: 06/14/1946
Religion: Christian



GARY JOHNSON
Residence: Topeka, Kan.
Prev. Occupation: Construction Worker, Businessman
Prev. Political Exp.: NM Governor, 1995-2003
Education: BA University of New Mexico, 1975
Birthdate: 01/01/1953
Religion: Lutheran



JILL STEIN
Residence: Lexington
Marital Status: Married (Richard Rohrer)
Prev. Occupation: Physician, Environmental Activist
Prev. Political Exp.: No prior elected office
Education: MD Harvard University, 1979
Birthdate: 03/14/1950
Religion: Jewish but states she does not practice.



What churches and pastors are allowed, not allowed to do

By Dwight Widaman

Every election cycle confusion abounds about how churches and pastors can be involved in the civic life of their community while not stepping across the lines outlined by the IRS and FEC. This confusion causes distress among congregations as well as pastors often with congregations having expectations that may or may not be legal and pastors hesitant to say or do anything at all in an over abundance of caution. The Liberty Counsel has provided the following guidance when it comes to political candidates and elections and what is permissible by law in your church and by your pastor. The information was written by Matthew D. Staver, Esq. and passes all legal tests so that your church and pastor can rest assured they are on the up and up when it comes to elections. For info call 800-671-1776 or visit www.LC.org



Donald Trump is prayed over in a Detroit church.



Hillary Clinton in a Baltimore United Methodist Church.

POLITICAL AND LEGISLATIVE GUIDELINES FOR PASTORS AND CHURCHES

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■ Endorsing or opposing political candidates	No	Yes	■ Church bulletin political ads at regular price and news stories	Yes	N/A
■ Contributions to political candidate	No	Yes	■ Church bulletin editorial where the pastor or staff member endorses or opposes a candidate	No	No
■ In-kind and independent expenditures for or against political candidates	No	Yes	■ Church bulletin editorial regarding political issues or two different church members take opposing views on a candidate	Yes	N/A
■ Contributions to Political Action Committees	No	Yes	■ Use of church facilities by political candidates (if all other candidates are allowed or invited)	Yes	N/A
■ Appearance of political candidate at church meeting or service	Yes	N/A	■ Fund-raising for candidates	No	Yes
■ Introduction of political candidates at church	Yes	Yes	■ Campaigning for candidates	No	Yes
■ Political candidate to preach or read scripture (contributions should not be solicited and message should not urge people to vote for the candidate)	Yes	N/A	■ Educate members of the public about viewpoints of candidates	Yes	Yes
■ Voter registration programs and campaigns (non-partisan)	Yes	Yes	■ Discuss church doctrine pertaining to candidate views such as abortion, homosexuality and marriage	Yes	Yes
■ Distribution of candidate surveys and incumbent voting records	Yes	Yes	■ Granting use of name to support a candidate	No*	Yes*
■ Distribution in church parking lot of political statements and opinions on political issues (so long as no church endorsement)	Yes	N/A			
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—Compiled by Matthew D. Staver, Esq., Liberty Counsel

Kansas' judicial quandry

What's the real story about the retention of Supreme Court justices?

Ask a proponent of retaining the four ultra-liberal members of the Kansas Supreme Court that are up for a retention vote this November why there is so much animosity toward this group and they'll tell you that the opposition simply wants to politicize the court because they disagree with its rulings. However, the simple truth is that the court is already heavily politicized and that those who disagree with the court's rulings are in good company, given that the Supreme Court of the United States has repeatedly overruled the Kansas court, including the most recent ruling which rejected the Kansas Court's reasoning in a scathing, almost unheard of, 8-1 ruling.

Currently justices are selected in the most elitist, anti-democratic process in the country, wherein the Supreme Court Nominating Commission is made up of only four non-lawyers appointed by the governor and a majority of five lawyers are elected only by other lawyers. That group then selects a panel of three "qualified" individuals to be sent to the governor. If the governor refuses to select one of the three, the chief justice of the Kansas Supreme Court selects one. The newly appointed justice then stands for retention during the next general election in a soviet style selection process in which they are the only candidate. They are then up for retention every six years thereafter. None have ever been rejected.

The Kansas Supreme Court continues to lose its cases before the U.S. Supreme Court

What makes the current system untenable is that the current liberal dominated court became highly (and brazenly) politi-

cized on the issues of the death penalty, school finance and abortion, embracing politically orthodox, hard-left positions on all three in a state dominated by conservative elected officials.

Take for instance the death penalty. The Court has, in essence, tried to eliminate it de facto through endless delays and by overturning lower court decisions. For instance, the Court has given 27 ninety-day delays to the notorious Carr brothers (seven years of delays) and then overturned their death sentences when they did hear the case.

However, when their decision was appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States it was overturned in a scathing 8-1 decision that was signed off on by Justices from Antonin Scalia to Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Indeed, SCOTUS has

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slapped the Kansas Supreme Court's criminal decisions down the last six cases, every time for the last decade, and yet they continue to substitute their ideological positions over established law.

From an ethical standpoint, the Court's conduct on school finance places them in



The current Kansas Supreme Court

an even worse light. Currently, Kansans are spending over 50 percent of the state budget on K-12 education, \$4.1 billion, and in a hearing just conducted the Court seemed to think that wasn't enough. And yet school districts are able to shower largess on their administrative staff in the form of six-figure salaries with \$1,000 per month car allowances, tax sheltered annuities and up to 40 days of vacation annually, in addition to double digit annual rais-

Court's bias towards the educrats and teachers' unions.

Dan Biles, up for retention in November, was an attorney for the state school board before moving onto the court and Chief Justice Lawton Nuss, also up for retention, was a plaintiffs' attorney for the Salina School District in the original Montoy lawsuit. When Nuss moved to the court not only did he refuse to recuse himself from hearing the Montoy case, he was even caught holding ex parte meetings with key legislators. His actions resulted in an admonishment from the Commission on Judicial Qualifications. Only then did he recuse himself from that case. He is the only Justice subjected to a disciplinary process.

Kansans For Life will undoubtedly confront the Court on its record on the issue of abortion and so I won't go into it in depth here. However, Carol Beiers appears to spearhead the Court's efforts to intimidate prosecutors, like Phill Kline and his colleagues, from actively pursuing regulatory activities involving abortion providers. Her intemperate remarks directed at Kline during some of the hearings were so over the top that even one of her fellow female justices saw fit to comment on her unprofessional nature.

Teachers, on the other hand are forced to continue to provide supplies for their own classrooms and make due with very modest increases in pay.

Here again, the make-up of the court goes a long way towards explaining the

In essence, implied claims that Kansas courts are not currently politicized are false at all levels. Even at the District Court level judges like Kevin Moriarty in Johnson County and Franklin Theis in Shawnee County stand out for their far left judicial activism. This is a direct function of an elitist selection process dominated by liberal attorneys, themselves not selected by the voters, resulting in the imposition of a judiciary that is unrepresentative of the people of Kansas.

Several organizations have now been created to rid the courts of some of the worst ideological elements. The groups are largely non-partisan, some organized by the families of murder victims, to oppose the retention of the following justices and Appeals Court judges.

For the Supreme Court conservative organizations across the state recommend No votes for Lawton Nuss, Dan Biles, Carol Beiers and Marla Luckert. They recommend a Yes vote for Caleb Stegall. For the Appellate Court they recommend No votes for Steve Leben, G. Joseph Pierron Jr., G. Gordon Atcheson and Karen Arnold-Burger and Yes votes for David E. Bruns and Kathryn A. Gardner.

On the morning after the Nov. 8 election, we'll see if anyone was paying attention.

— By John Altevogt

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The pendulum swings to the other side of the party line?

Dorothy, you may not be in (conservative) Kansas any more

Anyone who wasn't prepared to see conservative losses in the August primary (with more perhaps to come in the general election) simply hasn't been paying attention. Ever since conservatives took control of the state senate in 2012 there has been a constant drumbeat of attacks on Gov. Sam Brownback's administration and the legislators who support him.

In addition, after Republicans were given majorities in both houses of Congress and still failed to halt President Obama's agenda, including abuses of power at the IRS and the Department of Justice, many conservatives simply lost faith in the Republican Party as a vehicle for change.

In Kansas, Republicans running for national office have been helped by the general weakness of Democrats at all levels in the state. They also learned from the 2014 primary contests and moved to head off potential areas of weakness long before the 2016 election cycle began.



Sen. Jerry Moran and 3rd District Congressman Kevin Yoder have run their offices like clinics in political science. They spend considerable time back in the state,

have responsive constituent services and are respectful to all elements of the party (and often beyond). It also doesn't hurt that both are excellent at raising money, discouraging potential rivals so should coast to fairly easy victories.

The same cannot be said for state legislators. They have been saddled with supporting an economic agenda that rankles the populist core of the conservative base while failing to generate much support from other constituencies. Confronted on one side with the governor's intransigence and the hostility of their constituents on the other, many simply stepped down, or were caught between the proverbial rock and a hard place.

While lowering income taxes may have seemed to be a good idea, (based on comparisons with states that aren't really comparable) that act and the



infamous LLC exemption resulted in increases in the highly regressive sales tax. That in turn resulted in higher costs for working and middle class consumers while placing Main Street merchants at an almost 10% deficit when competing with online merchants who don't charge a sales tax.

Worse yet, higher costs of government at the local level put more strain on the same working and middle class homeowners owing to increases in the equally regressive property taxes, coupled with an appraisal system that has remained broken despite legislators' best efforts to fix it.

That said, much of the critique of Brownback centers around unfair and deceitful claims regarding education funding. Across the state superintendents decried cuts that were never made. State funding for K-12 education is over 50% of the state budget and is higher now than when Brownback took office. However, so effective has this campaign been that in Johnson County citizens were voting for legislative candidates who were promising



to raise their taxes so they could support school districts in Wichita and elsewhere. Go figure.

Indeed, despite the fact that the movement to oust four Supreme Court Justices has been largely non-partisan, look for proponents of retention to

try and attach the effort to Brownback.

Regardless the ultimate outcome of the November elections, what is already clear is that the Kansas legislature is going to be a far different place during the next session and those newly elected "moderates" may wish they'd stayed home.

— By John Altevogt

On Nov. 8, Kansas Voters Will Vote on Statewide Judges

SUPREME COURT	COURT OF APPEALS
VOTE NO	VOTE NO
Carol A. Beier Dan Biles Lawton R. Nuss Marla Luckert	Steve Leben G. Joseph Pierron Jr. G. Gordon Atcheson Karen Arnold-Burger
VOTE YES	VOTE YES
Caleb Stegall	David E. Bruns Kathryn A. Gardner

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jettisoned with the latest turn of the sexual revolution.

One vision aspires, as a first priority, to use our nation's military as a fighting force to keep America and the world safe from bad actors. The other would continue using the armed forces as a social experimentation lab, where the LGBT agenda takes precedence over troop readiness and morale, and where placing women in ground combat roles supersedes obvious gender differences.

One vision would seek to build a federal judiciary, including the Supreme Court, that interprets the Constitution as an enduring document for the nation, with timeless guiding principles for civil government. The other would appoint liberal-progressive judges to federal courts who believe the Constitution is a "living, breathing document" that bends with the times and with evolving moral standards.

With an aging Supreme Court—already absent one justice after the unexpected death last year of conservative stalwart Antonin Scalia—perhaps four new Supreme Court justices will be appointed.

The next president will be either Democrat Hillary Clinton or Republican Donald Trump, and he or she will nominate those vital Supreme Court justices. Those judges will serve decades and make their judicial decisions felt for generations.

In an age in which the Supreme Court and the federal bench have trended toward an activist, lawmaking role instead of their intended task—to act as umpires of the Constitution—the stakes for religious freedom and limited government are monumental.

In fact, says Tony Perkins, president of the Washington, D.C.-based Family Research Council, the very survival of our democratic republic may hinge on the fundamental beliefs of the next chief executive.

Perkins told Decision: "America is not going to cease to exist as the land mass that it is. What is at stake is the republic as we know it, freedoms that we have enjoyed."



Christians in the Crosshairs

Chief among those freedoms is religious liberty, Perkins says, and it has taken direct hits in the last eight years.

"It's been open. It's been frontal. It's been unrelenting. ... The weight of the government is being used to quarantine faith within the four walls of the church, and that is not religious freedom," Perkins said.

The ongoing sexual revolution, which has accelerated at mind-numbing speed, has placed more pressure on those with a Biblical worldview.



Same-sex marriage is legal nationwide via the Supreme Court's Obergefell decision in June 2015, creating a collision of religious freedom with the law's conception of sexual freedom. Last spring, the federal government directed public schools to allow transgender use of gender-specific restrooms and locker rooms, a direct affront to North Carolina, which had passed a bathroom protection law that still stands.

Despite some gains in the percentage of people who believe abortion is immoral, the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision making abortion legal nationally remains, with the country approaching 60 million aborted babies.

The nation hasn't merely been "slouching toward Gomorrah," as the late judge Robert Bork wrote, it has nearly slid past it.

James Dobson, the best-selling author and psychologist who has championed the traditional family and Christian values for more than four decades, told Decision: "The sexual revolution weakened the exclusivity and commitment required for lifelong marriage. Spiritual apathy and apostasy have also been major contributors. America no longer lives by an eternal moral code given to us by the Word of God."

"Also," Dobson added, "the radical feminist movement, based on hostility toward men, weakened the marital bond. Related to it was, and is, the legalization of abortion through nine months of pregnancy. Raising children is what this ancient institution is all about. And, finally, the judiciary has created politically correct interpretations of the law that are destroying the traditional family unit. Uppermost among them is same-sex 'marriage'—imposed by five members of



NANCE

"We live in a time when we have gone from living in a post-Christian nation to living in an anti-Christian nation. That is completely contrary to the founding principles of our country."

Penny Nance

the Supreme Court on 50 million people who voted against it."

As Penny Nance, president of Concerned Women for America, puts it, "We live in a time when we have gone from living in a post-Christian nation to living in an anti-Christian nation. That is completely contrary to the founding principles of our country."

The cultural slide has meant that more people are sharply opposed to the Biblical worldview than in decades past. English common law, which helped inform American law, was rooted in Judeo-Christian understandings of right and wrong. Those sturdy tethers have unraveled quickly.

Instead, left-wing activists, smelling blood in the water, are seeking to take as much ground on the moral and legal front as forcefully and as quickly as possible.

That pressure is evident when states such as Washington and Oregon punish bakers and pharmacists when their Christian beliefs collide with the secular-progressive worldview.

Veteran conservative columnist Cal Thomas, not one to put significant hope in political efforts to right the culture, says the next election will set the tone for the Supreme Court "for 30 or 40 years" and could lead to "the possible disintegration of this country."

He says the culprit is a generation that has forgotten God, and it is reflected in our government.

"We are sacrificing our children, nearly 60 million now, on the modern-day

equivalent of the altar of Molech, which God called detestable on more than one occasion," Thomas said.

"We are mainstreaming same-sex marriage, transgender toilets. It just seems that the sewer cover has been removed and everything is now up in the streets."

David Jeremiah, pastor of Shadow Mountain Community Church near San Diego, Calif., sees a crucial election that may determine whether or not Christians can exercise their faith freely—at church and outside the church—or under an oppressive government.



JEREMIAH

Jeremiah admits that neither major party candidate is an exemplar for evangelical Christians.

But he says the specter of the next president appointing a new slate of Supreme Court nominees should motivate believers to cast an informed vote.

"The next president will select between two and four justices who will reign over the cultural issues of our nation for the next 30 years. The average Supreme Court judge serves 26 years. In the next 30 years, what happens in this election is going to have an incredible impact on my children and grandchildren. And the impact will be most likely felt more because of what happens in the Supreme Court than anything else that happens in the government."

Beyond the issues of religious liberty and morality, the spread of radical Islamic jihad globally and at home has set the world on edge. Every week seems to bring a mass slaughter, such as those in Bangladesh or France, San Bernardino or Orlando.

In the last eight years, America has sent conflicting signals about its commitment to seriously confront radical Islam. Unwillingness by federal officials to call the scourge what it is—jihad carried out in the name of Allah by Muslim fundamentalists—and a lack of clear commit-

ment to eradicate it has diminished America's role as a world leader. ISIS has not only burst on the scene but has become a global menace.

Former U.S. senator Jim DeMint, president of the Washington-based Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank, says to successfully wage war on radical Islamic terrorism and counter other evil regimes around the globe, defense spending must be non-negotiable, and defense policy must center on military readiness, not pushing the latest social trends.

"There's a lot of turmoil and instability in the world," DeMint said, "and the way the current administration has dealt with Islamic terrorism by trying to ignore it and treat it as if it's something that it's not, has opened us up and threatened our security as a country."

Voters must decide: Which candidate, Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump, will strengthen national security and fight tenaciously against radical Islamic terrorism?

Jeremiah and Perkins agree that whomever voters choose, they must demand that the "first freedom"—religious liberty—from which all other freedoms flow, is left intact.

Perkins said that as the moral fabric of the culture unravels, "the leaders we elect can either accelerate that deterioration or they can stay it by giving the church the space it needs to do the fundamental work that only the church can do.

"It is the church—armed with the Gospel—that can fix hearts. It is the Gospel that transforms lives. It is the church through the witness of the Holy Spirit that can preserve a culture. But without the space to do that openly in public, it's difficult. And elections in our country determine that."

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THOMAS

Platforms give insight into a political party's value system

By the Billy Graham Evangelistic Assoc.
Reprinted from Decision Magazine

As Franklin Graham travels to all 50 states on the Decision America Tour, he's urging Christians to boldly live out their faith—at home, in public and at the ballot box.

Many decisions are made at the president's desk, but the major political party to which he or she belongs wields significant power over which domestic and international policies are advanced and what becomes law. Here is a summary of the Democrat and Republican Party positions on some of the vital issues facing the country. As Franklin Graham has stated clearly many times, we are not endorsing any candidate or party.

Sanctity of human life

Democrat
Democrats seek to repeal the 1976 Hyde Amendment so that federal funds can be used to pay for abortions. The platform says, "We will continue to stand up to Republican efforts to defund Planned Parenthood health centers." Democrats support ratification of UN efforts that affirm "the reproductive rights of women" globally.

Republican
The GOP asserts the sanctity of human life and affirms, "The unborn child has a fundamental right to life which cannot be infringed." The party supports a Human Life Amendment making clear that the 14th Amendment's protections apply to children before birth, and it salutes states that require informed consent, parental consent, waiting periods and clinic regulation.

Marriage

Democrat
Democrats applaud last year's Supreme Court ruling that "LGBT people—like other Americans—have the right to marry the person they love."

Republican
The GOP platform condemns the Supreme Court's rulings that removed the ability of Congress and the people to define marriage as the union of one man and one woman. The GOP urges the reversal of those decisions, whether through judicial reconsideration or a constitutional amendment.

Religious freedom

Democrat
The Democratic platform says: "We support a progressive vision of religious freedom that respects pluralism and rejects the misuse of religion to discriminate." The party opposes a religious test to bar immigrants or refugees from entering the country.

Republican
Republicans affirm that religious freedom in the Bill of Rights protects the right of the people to practice their faith in their everyday lives. The platform endorses the First Amendment Defense Act, which would protect faith-based institutions and individuals from government discrimination.

Federal judges

Democrat

The platform says: "We will appoint judges who defend the constitutional principles of liberty and equality for all, and will protect a woman's right to safe and legal abortion."

Republican
The GOP platform states: "A critical threat to our country's constitutional order is an activist judiciary that usurps powers properly reserved to the people through other branches of government." The GOP supports the appointment of justices and judges who respect the constitutional limits on their power and respect the authority of the states.

National defense

Democrat
The Democratic platform says that while the military is crucial, decreased military spending is necessary. The party also favors reducing excessive spending on nuclear weapons. The platform notes that it is "proud of the repeal of Don't Ask Don't Tell and the opening of combat positions to women."

Republican
The Republican platform favors building and maintaining a strong military as the path to peace and security. The party seeks to restore the nation's military might and to rebuild troop numbers. The GOP would abandon treaties that benefit adversaries and would modernize the U.S. nuclear arsenal.

Terrorism

Democrat
The Democratic platform uses firm language to say we "must defeat" global terrorism, though noting a preference for "diplomacy and development, to confront global threats and ensure war is a last resort." The party favors improving international intelligence capabilities to defend against external and homegrown threats.

Republican
The GOP asserts that the Iran deal does not have treaty status and has only emboldened the regime in Tehran in sponsoring terrorism. The platform says, "We must stand up for our friends, challenge our foes, and destroy ISIS." It calls for governmental aid to Christian communities under genocidal attack in cities like Erbil.

Human rights

Democrat
The Democratic platform recognizes gay rights as a human right, and party leaders have tied international development funds in poor countries to adherence to the LGBT agenda. According to the platform, "We will continue to stand with LGBT people around the world, including fighting efforts by any nation to infringe on LGBT rights or ignore abuse."

Republican
The GOP platform states: "To those who stand in the darkness of tyranny, America has always been a beacon of hope, and so it must remain." The party seeks a radical rethinking of our human rights diplomacy, adopting a "whole of government" approach in which human rights issues are integrated at every appropriate level of our relationships with other nations.

Immigration

Democrat
The party platform denounces Donald Trump's suggested ban on immigrants from countries (mostly Muslim) known to train terrorists.

Republican
Republicans oppose any form of amnesty for those who have entered illegally. The party supports building a border wall and refusing entrance to refugees who cannot be carefully vetted, especially those whose homelands have "been the breeding grounds for terrorism."

Addressing poverty

Democrat
Democrats will "direct more federal resources to lifting up communities that have been left out and left behind." The party would build more affordable rental housing units and seek to "create good-paying jobs and enhance opportunities by investing in small business, youth employment, and reentry programs for formerly incarcerated people."

Republican
The GOP says that instead of government handouts that keep people dependent, "We propose ... the dynamic compassion of work requirements in a growing economy, where opportunity takes the place of a hand-out, where true self-esteem can grow from the satisfaction of a job well done."

Law and order

Democrat
The Democratic platform seeks to abolish the death penalty, "which has proven to be a cruel and unusual form of punishment. It has no place in the United States of America." The party would reform mandatory minimum sentences, close private prisons, end racial profiling and train officers in de-escalation.

Republican
The GOP decries the creation of new "crimes" by unelected civil servants and political appointees and sees this as federal overreach. The platform emphasizes restorative justice, including guidance by faith-based institutions. It notes that the death penalty is firmly settled by the Fifth Amendment and opposes efforts to erode this right.

Israel and Jerusalem

Democrat
The platform states: "We will always support Israel's right to defend itself, including by retaining its qualitative military edge, and oppose any effort to delegitimize Israel. ... While Jerusalem is a matter for final status negotiations, it should remain the capital of Israel, an undivided city accessible to people of all faiths."

Republican
Republicans express "unequivocal support for Israel," pointing out that it is the only Middle Eastern country with freedom of speech and freedom of religion. The GOP recognizes "Jerusalem as the eternal and indivisible capital of the Jewish state." The party opposes the U.N.'s treatment of Israel as a pariah state.

Where They Stand

Compiled from Online Surveys & News Reports

Positions are categorized as Pro (Yes), Con (No), Not Clearly Pro or Con (NC), or None Found (?)

	Clinton	Trump	Johnson	Stein
Crime & Justice				
Should the Death Penalty Be Allowed?	Pro	Pro	Con	Con
Should Private Prisons Be Allowed in the U.S.?	Con	Pro	Pro	Con
Should Law Enforcement Use Racial Profiling?	Now Con	Pro	Con	Con
Should Obama Choose Next Supreme Court Justice?	Pro	Con	Pro	?
Will Appoint Conservative Judges to Supreme Court	Con	Pro	Con	Con
Economy & Taxes				
Should Churches Remain Tax-Exempt?	?	Pro	Con	NC
Does Lowering Corporate Income Tax Rate Create Jobs?	NC	Pro	Pro	NC
Should the Federal Gov. Subsidize Oil Companies?	Con	Con	Con	Con
Should Any Federal Taxes Be Increased?	Pro	Now Con	Now NC	Pro
Should There Be a Flat Tax on Income?	Con	NC	Con	Con
Should Social Security Be Privatized?	Con	NC	Pro	Con
Is the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Good for U.S.?	Now Con	Con	Pro	Con
Education				
Are Charter Schools Good for Education in America?	NC	Pro	Pro	Con
Are the Common Core Standards Good for Education?	NC	Con	Con	Con
Should K-12 Teachers Get Tenure?	NC	Con	Con	NC
Should Any Public Colleges Be Tuition-Free?	Pro	Con	Con	Pro
Elections				
Was the Citizens United Supreme Court Decision Good?	Con	Con	Pro	Con
Should Felons Be Allowed to Vote?	Pro	NC	Pro	Pro
Should Voters Show Photo I.D. to Vote?	Con	PRO	Con	Con
Should US Election Campaigns Be Publicly Financed?	Pro	NC	Con	Pro
Energy				
Should New Fossil Fuel Leases on Fed. Land Continue?	Now NC	Pro	?	Con
Should Fracking Be Allowed?	Pro	Pro	Now Pro	Con
Should We Build Additional Nuclear Power Plants?	NC	Pro	NC	Con
Foreign Policy				
Is China an Economic/Military Threat to the U.S.?	Pro	Pro	Con	NC
Should the U.S. Maintain Its Embargo against Cuba?	Now Con	Con	Con	Con
Is the Nuclear Arms Deal with Iran Good for America?	Pro	Con	NC	Pro
Should There Be an Independent Palestinian State?	Pro	NC	NC	NC
Support Iran Nuclear Agreement?	Pro	Con	Con	Con
Guns / Second Amendment				
Should More Gun Control Laws Be Enacted?	Pro	Con	Con	Pro
Should Schools Be Gun-Free Zones?	Pro	Now NC	Con	NC
Should the Federal Government Study Gun Violence?	?	?	Con	Pro
Should People on the No-Fly List or the Terror				
Those on No Fly List Be Allowed to Purchase Guns?	Con	Con	Pro	?
Health Care, Abortion, & End of Life Issues				
Should Abortion Be Legal?	Pro	Con	Pro	Pro
Do You Support Fed. Funding of Abortion?	Pro	Con	Pro	Pro
Should Any Vaccines Be Required for Children?	NC	NC	Now Pro	NC
Is Obamacare Good for America?	Pro	Con	Con	Con
Should Minors Get Parent Consent for Abortions?	Con	Con	Pro	?
Should Euthanasia/Assisted Suicide Be Legal?	Pro	CON	Pro	?
Should Planned Parenthood Receive Federal Funding?	Pro	Con	Pro	?
Is There a Constitutional Right to Health Care?	Pro	Con	Con	Pro
Immigration				
Should Raids be used to Enforce Immigration Laws?	Con	Pro	Con	Con
Should E-Verify Program Be Mandatory for Employers?	?	Pro	Pro	?
Should the U.S. Build a Wall along US-Mexico Border?	Con	Pro	Con	Con
Should Illegals become Legal Residents?	Pro	Con	Pro	Pro
Should Sanctuary Cities Get Fed. Funding?	NC	Con	Pro	?
Should U.S. Allow Syrian Refugees into the Country?	Pro	Now Con	Pro	Pro
Labor & Wages				
Should Paid Family/Medical Leave be Mandatory?	Pro	Now Pro	Con	Pro
Should the Federal Minimum Wage Be Increased?	Pro	Now Pro	Con	Pro
Marijuana & Alcohol				
Should Drinking Age Be Lowered From 21 to Youngere?	NC	NC	Pro	?
Should Marijuana Be a Medical Option?	Now Pro	Pro	Pro	Pro
Should Recreational Marijuana Be Legal?	NC	Now Con	Pro	Pro
Military & War on Terror				
Should We Work with Russia Combat Terrorism?	NC	Pro	Pro	Pro
Should We Continue Its Use of Drone Strikes Abroad?	Pro	?	Con	Con
Should the U.S. Send Ground Troops to Fight ISIS?	Con	?	Con	Con
Should Guantanamo Be Closed?	Pro	Con	Con	Pro
Should the US Have Attacked Iraq in 2003?	Pro	Now Con	Con	Con
Should the US Military Budget Be Increased?	NC	Pro	Con	Con
Should We Have Mandatory National Service?	Con	?	Con	?
Should Women Serve in Combat Positions?	Pro	NC	Pro	?
Race				
Should Colleges Use Affirmative Action in Admissions?	Pro	Pro	Con	?
Is the Black Lives Matter Movement Good for America?	Pro	NC	Pro	Pro
Is the Criminal Justice System Unfair to Black People?	Pro	Pro	Pro	Pro
Science & Environment				
Are Humans at Fault for Global Climate Change?	Pro	Con	Pro	Pro
Should Genetically Modified Foods be Labeled?	Pro	Con	Pro	Pro
Should Keystone XL Pipeline Be Built?	Now Con	Pro	Pro	Con
Sex & Gender				
Was Legalizing Same-Sex Marriage a Good Decision?	Pro	Con	Pro	Pro
Should Religious Liberty Protect Business Owners?	Con	Pro	Con	Con
Should Transgenders Use the Bathroom of Choice?	Pro	Now NC	Pro	Pro



Adoption and Foster Care

National Adoption Month raises awareness for 100,000 kids

by Robbi Haynes | MBCH

November is celebrated nationwide as National Adoption Month in a collective effort to raise awareness of the more than 100,000 U.S. children in foster care waiting to find permanent, loving families.

The majority of these children have been removed from their biological family because of abuse or neglect. When the family does not take the appropriate steps to correct the problems, the child becomes available to adopt. Many of them are adopted by their foster family.

Adoption is defined as “the permanent, legal transfer of parental right and responsibilities from a child’s birth parents to the adoptive parents.” The best candidates for adoption aren’t “perfect people”, but everyday people with real lives full of ups and downs. Adoptive parents don’t have to be of



the same race or have the same ethnic background as the child they adopt.

They don’t have to have a fancy home or lots of money. If you have lots of love to give and want to provide a safe, stable and nurturing environment for a child, you are probably the kind of person who adopts.

The cost for private and international adoptions can range from a few thousand dollars to tens of thousands. However, adopting a child who is in the custody of the state can have little or no cost to the adoptive family. Subsidies are even available to provide medical coverage and a financial stipend to the adoptive family until the child is eighteen years of age.

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, there are 415,000 children in the U.S. foster care system. Of those, 107,000 are available for adoption. In Missouri there are approximately 1,800 children available for adoption through foster care. The average age of a child being adopted from the foster care system is eight years old. There are equal numbers of boys and girls awaiting adoption. While the majority of children awaiting adoption are Caucasian, there are children of every ethnicity who need a family.

There are children of every age, from infants to teens who need an adoptive family, but a particular need is for families who are willing to adopt older children. Each year many of the children in state custody exit foster care without an adoptive family. For those young adults, it means no family to visit on holidays, no grandparents to

introduce their children to and no extended support system. Many of them have not learned the skills needed to become productive adults such as holding a job, balancing a checkbook, preparing meals and doing laundry. An adoptive family cannot only teach them these skills, but can provide love and support as they transition to adulthood.

Some people are reluctant to adopt an older child because of the portions of the child’s life that have already passed.

The changes in a child who has come from a life of abuse or neglect who gets to experience the security and nurturing provided by an adoptive family can be miraculous.

During the training and licensing process, you will be taught about the children in care, the importance of structure and discipline and how to work with the foster care system. All foster parents are able to indicate what age and gender they feel would best fit their family. For more information you may call MBCH Children and Family Ministries (800) 264-6224.



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after battle with schools, DSS, or that child’s parents. I’ve seen foster parents break down in tears and tell me they don’t know how to help and they don’t know if they can take any more.

And when that happens I don’t know what to tell them. Because there is no earthly reason why someone would want to be a foster parent.

In fact, I think it takes an incredible measure of God’s love, grace, and wisdom being poured into you and out of you to be a foster parent, which is the very reason Christians are called to do it.

1 By choosing to be foster parents, Christians are choosing to live a life that demonstrates the love and humility of the Gospel.

Since I started my job, I’ve been challenged to face head-on some of the things I would like to most ignore, such as the presence of sexual abuse, violence, death, and fear. And in the midst of that, God has taught me some incredible lessons about what it means to be forgiven and to accept his grace and mercy. Instead of painting those who abuse or neglect their children as monsters, I’ve learned to look at them and see the effects of a fallen world and sin from which I’ve only been removed because of some mixture of privilege and God’s grace.

It’s really easy for me to look at the families I work with and to say they are there because they deserve to be there, because they’ve made bad choices and are reaping what they sowed.

There’s a measure of truth to that, of course. But only a measure. Because what the Gospel teaches us is that their sin is no worse than ours. Most of us don’t act like we believe that. We don’t really think that we deserve no better than the worst of their consequences. And when we do that, we are cheapening God’s grace.

Most of the people that I live my life with have food. We have safety. We have the ability to seek friendships. We

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These Kansas Kids need forever homes

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have family to call on when we need them. Who are we to keep this grace to ourselves? Jesus didn't. He came down to us and sacrificed himself entirely for our flourishing, despite the ugliness and the neediness of our sin. And that's what foster care requires. It requires reaching out and making yourself available for sacrifice despite what you might think about the families you are serving.

In return, we learn an even greater depth of the love that Jesus has for us. And we get the privilege to show that love to the world.

2 By choosing to be foster parents, Christians are choosing to live a life of faith.

Foster care is a voluntary act of service to a government organization that retains control over every major decision affecting that child's life. You are the caretakers of a child that is very literally not yours. That means you get some (but not all) of the say in where they go to the doctor, where they get therapy, if they are on medication, who they have contact with, and most importantly, where they spend their future. In fact, you may have very little say about their haircut, the clothes they wear, or the language they use.

One of the hardest parts of my job is giving foster parents bad news. I once had a foster child who needed to be moved to a different state. Every week the foster father called me, weeping and begging for a different decision. It broke my heart when I had to answer, "My hands are tied. This has to happen."

After watching this foster father attend therapy twice a week with that child, work on discipline every day to establish a routine with them, teach an almost-teenager about teeth-brushing, and advocate at school to get the help the child needed to learn, he was forced to say goodbye. That child had grown, healed, and learned to love at this home. But the child left, and now all this man can do is pray.

He can pray that this child remembers the lessons learned, that the love poured out would take root and keep growing, and that this kid would be safe and supported in the new home.

Like the heroes of faith in Hebrews 11, this foster parent may never see the results of his faith. That can be painful. But it can also be incredibly rewarding. The rewards that I have seen in the lives of foster parents have been a deep prayer life and an incredible outpouring of wisdom.

3 By choosing to be foster parents, Christians are choosing to take a stand against injustice and to care for the poor.

James 1:27 says, "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: To visit orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained from the world." Christ's heart is for the vulnerable, and we who call ourselves by his name share in his heart. It's our duty as Christians to stand up for the citizens in our community who lack the power to do so for themselves. It is hard to think of a population that is more vulnerable than foster children—young, poor, from minority populations, from broken families.

There is no earthly reason why someone would want to be a foster parent. But there is every heavenly reason why they would. Those of us who have been touched by the gospel become like the gospel—full of grace. And as we love those the world finds unlovely, we join with a God who will one day "wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore."

—J.D. Greear is the pastor of The Summit Church, in Raleigh-Durham, NC and author of *Gaining by Losing: Why the Future Belongs to Churches That Send* (2015), *Gospel: Recovering the Power that Made Christianity Revolutionary* (2011), and others.

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These kids in Kansas need forever homes through adoption! They are full of life and love and so desperately want families to love them in return. For more information and to learn about hundreds of other kids, visit adoptkansaskids.org.

JACOB

Jacob is 15 years old without any siblings. He loves watching cartoons, playing with items that light up or have sounds and listening to music! Jacob is a happy young man who usually has a big smile on his face. Jacob has greatly improved his upper body strength; he is now able to army crawl around the house, get up and down stairs, and get in and out of the van with monitoring. Jacob's teachers state that he has matured greatly and is very cooperative. Jacob needs a family



that is willing to be a voice for him and make sure that all of his daily needs are being met. He will need assistance for all his need throughout the day. Jacob needs a family that is very patient, fully committed to him and will be there for him long term. His case number is 101424.

ALEXUS

Alexus is a friendly and affectionate 14 year old girl who very much wants to be a part of a family! Her hobbies include sports and crafts. She states that she would



like to become a lawyer someday. Her favorite class in school is cooking; she really enjoys making guacamole and orange Julius type drinks. Alexis will need additional supports in place at school in order to be successful academically and behaviorally. She needs a family who is committed, loving and very structured. Alexis has siblings that were adopted by other families so needs a family that will support and facilitate positive interactions between Alexis and her siblings. Her case number is 101533.

CHEYENNE

Cheyenne is 13 and likes being around pets and taking them for walks! She states that she would like to be a veterinarian when she grows up! Cheyenne's hobbies are drawing, coloring and going swimming. Cheyenne does well when she is a positive classroom setting. Her favorite classes in school are math and art. She likes the crafty projects that they get to do.

Cheyenne has some challenges controlling her behaviors and maintaining appropriate boundaries. She does better when around adults and requires a lot of supervision. Cheyenne continues to work on using the coping skills that she has learned to calm down when she is upset. She would do best in a family where she is the only or youngest child in the home; she enjoys plenty of one-on-one time



with the adults in her life. Cheyenne would benefit from a family that is very structured, consistent and loving. She needs parents who are comfortable dealing with her past abuse and special educational needs. Cheyenne doesn't have any siblings. Her case number is CH-5125.

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- Tuesday, October 18th, 6:30 p.m.
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- Thursday, October 20th, 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 26th, 6:30 p.m.
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THE BERRYTON PICKERS - First Sat. of ea. month, 7-9pm, Berryton Baptist Church. Bring snacks and have some fun!

THE BEST OF EVIDENCE OF JOURNEY - Oct. 3, 6:30pm, Grace Comm. Ch., 310 SE St., Overbrook. Evidence of Journey will share the Gospel of Jesus Christ through music and testimony and helping to raise funds for those in Belize. Free event.

HARMONIUM: VOICES OF AMERICAN WOMEN - Oct. 9, 3pm, WU's Georgia Neese Gray Theatre, 1700 College Ave. Washburn's music fraternity, Sigma Alpha Iota, celebrates the musical works of famous American women composers. This concert features the famous duo Notable Exceptions & guest performances by Washburn students. Recommended donation \$15.

GORDON LIGHTFOOT - Oct. 11, 7:30pm, TPAC. ticketmaster.com or 785-234-2787.

HARVEST HOMECOMING - Oct. 15, 5:30pm, Family Life Church of the Nazarene, 1211 NW 46th St. Featuring The Wrights, Dusty Workman and 4 His Love. \$5 suggested donation. Food & concessions available.

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BBQ & RADA CUTLERY SALE - Oct. 1, 4-7pm, Highland Park UMC. BBQ dinner & cutlery sale benefits mission projects. Antique cars also on display.

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FALL FESTIVAL - Oct. 1, 5:30 - 7:30pm, Grace Bible Church, 4021 S E 37th St. Fun and food for the whole family. Events for all ages.

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UMM'S ANNUAL FALL BREAKFAST - Oct. 8, 7-10am. Grantville United Methodist Church, 3724 South St. in Grantville. Free will offering.

FALL BAZAAR - Oct. 9, 3:30pm. St. Aloysius Catholic Church, 615 E Wyandotte St. Adults \$9, children ages 5-12 \$4. Games, raffles, silent auctions and more.

ROME SWEET HOME ITALIAN FESTIVAL - Oct. 15, 4:30-7:30pm, Christ the King Church/School grounds, 25th & Wanamaker. An outdoor Mass will be at 4:30pm. The family-oriented festival runs 5:30-7:30pm, featuring Italian food, children's games, inflatables, food trucks, wine & beer garden, and a professional fireworks display at dusk. The Mikey Needleman Band performs from 5:30-7:30. Festival is free. Ticket sales/reservations for the sit-down lasagna and spaghetti dinners (\$10 for adults; \$6 for children) available at ctktopeka.org (pre-sales only.)

PANCAKE FEED & SILENT AUCTION - Oct. 22, 7am, Highland Park UMC, 29th & Michigan. Fund raiser for Sunflower Lions' vision screening. (785) 272 6102; sunflowerlions2016@gmail.com

COMMUNITY DINNER - Oct. 26. Berryton United Methodist Church.

90TH ANNUAL HARVEST HOME BAZAAR - Oct. 26. 8am-7pm. Silver Lake United Methodist Church, 204 Madore St. in Silver Lake. Lunch will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., featuring soups, sandwiches and homemade pies. Dinner will be served from 5 to 7 p.m., featuring roast turkey and all the trimmings. The dinner cost is \$9 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and younger.

HARVEST CELEBRATION - Oct. 28, 6:30pm. Susanna Wesley UMC, 7433 SW 29th St. Free to the public. Free

to the public: hot dogs, chili, chips and beverage, cookie decorating, crafts, games and prizes, and more! Trunk or Treat starts outdoors at 7:30 p.m., following the door prize drawing.

SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

MEDICARE EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS - Oct. 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 19, 6:30pm. Learn the basics of Medicare and all of its options. Seminars are designed for those becoming eligible for Medicare as well as those considering making a change during open enrollment. Seminars will be held at Century Health Solutions, a division of Stormont-Vail Healthcare, 2951 SW Woodside Dr. Information: 233-1816 or info@century-health.com. Light snacks and beverages provided.

2016 MISSIONS CONFERENCE - Oct. 7-9, Bethel Baptist Church, 4011 N. Kansas Ave. Inspirational speaking and presentations, uplifting music, food and fellowship. Contact Bob Payne, 785-817-9727 or b.payne7@earthlink.net for more information.

TOPEKA LITERACY COUNCIL VOLUNTEER TUTOR TRAINING WORKSHOP - Oct. 8 & 15, 9am-4:45pm, Doorstep Building, 1119 SW 10th Ave. Tutors work with individuals who want to improve their reading and writing skills. Cost: \$25 (workshop materials). Info and registration by September 30: 785-234-2806 or topekaleracy@juno.com

PASTOR/LEADER WORKSHOP - Oct. 17, First Southern Baptist Church, 1912 SW Gage. National Black Robe Regiment will have a workshop for pastors and leaders. Brief overview and result of targeted activity of an Oklahoma church over a period of 7 years to represent Christ in their town; the Parable of the Talents in action. Wallbuilders - Rebuild the wall beside your house - Nehemiah Chapter 3 pattern. The importance of the Precinct- Steps to working in the precincts. There will be non-partisan NBRR voter guides. RSVP to p.setchell@gmail.com or 785-845-7020.

HARVEST FIRE CITYWIDE CAMPMEETING - Family of God Church, Harvest Family FourSquare & In God's House present Evangelist Chad Macdonald revival services. Sunday, Oct 16, 10:30AM & 6pm, Monday, Oct 17, 7pm, Family of God Church, 1231 NW Eugene St.; Tuesday & Wednesday, Oct 18-19, 7pm, Harvest Family Four Square, 522 SW Polk; Thursday & Friday, Oct 20-21, 7pm, In God's House, 1616 NE Seward. Come expecting! (785) 234-1111. FOGchurch.com; FamilyOfGodChurch@hotmail.com

FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENTS

MEDICARE MONDAYS - First Mon. of ea. month, 1-3pm. Topeka/Sh. Co. Public Library (Menninger Rm 206), 1515 SW 10th. Senior health insurance counseling. For info: 580-4545 or rhone@tscpl.org

EAST TOPEKA FARMERS MARKET - Tuesdays 3-7pm, 2010 SE California - Topeka Housing Authority

WOW - WORKIN' OUT ON WEDNESDAYS - 5:30 pm every Wed., south steps of the Capitol building. Free, fun and family-friendly. A combination of aerobic & strength training exercises, coupled with a fun line dance to end each experience. www.makinmoves.com

CAPITOL MIDWEEK FARMERS MARKET - Every Wed., thru Oct. 12, 7:30am - 12pm, Corner of 10th & Jackson on the South side of the Capitol Lawn

SAFE STREETS COALITION MEETING - First Wed. of the month, 11:45am-1pm. Great Overland Station. For info: 266-4606 or jlwilson@safeststreets.org

COUNTRY AND BALLROOM DANCING - Thursday's 6-9pm. Croco Hall. Info: Edwina 379-9538 or 478-4760.

NOTO MARKET ON FIRST FRIDAYS - NOTO arts district. Arts, antiques, fine crafts, flea market items.

DOWNTOWN TOPEKA FARMERS MARKET - Saturday's through Nov., 7:30am-noon, 12th & Harrison. Open-air market is full of fresh fruits and vegetables, herbs, arts & crafts, flower, home-baked goods and more.

MOTHER TERESA'S FARMERS MARKET - Saturdays 8:30-11:30am, Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church, 2014 NW 46th St.

SWAP MEET AT PREMIERE FARM & HOME - last Sat. of every month thru Oct., 900 SW University Blvd, 7 am to noon. Laying hens, pullets, baby chicks, guineas, ducks, geese, and more.

SAVING DEATH ROW DOGS ADOPTION BOOTH - Every Sat., 11am - 2pm, Petco, 1930 SW Wanamaker

SHAWNEE SWINGERS SQUARE DANCE LESSONS - Wednesday's, 7pm, Croco Hall, 6115 SE Highway 40, Tecumseh. Call Don at 785-966-2765

TOPEKA FOLK DANCERS CLASSES - Sundays, 2-4pm, 2637 SE 41st St. Dances from 20 countries. No partners or experience necessary. No fee. 215-0968.

KANSAS CITY RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL - Through Oct. 16, 10am-7pm; Weekends only plus Columbus Day and Labor Day. 628 N 126th St., Bonner Springs, KS. www.KCReNFest.com. 800-373-0357.

GARY'S PUMPKIN PATCH & FALL FESTIVAL - Sept. 23-Oct 30, Fri. - Sat. - Sun., 5991 17th St. Grantville, KS. 8 Acre Corn Maze, Pig Races, Corn Pit, 2 Jumping Pillows, Giant Slides, Animals, and more. Home Made Curly Fries, Hamburgers, Brats, Turkey Legs, Apple Cider Slushy and more. Admission \$10.95; Season Pass - \$27.95 at garysberries.com

STONE'S FOLLY ART FAIR & OCTOBERFEST - Sep. 30, 5-11pm & -Oct. 1, 10am-11pm, 1800 SW Stone Ave. Location: Grounds of the former Stone's Folly Mansion. A two day Juried Art Fair to show the excellence of many different media's of the art world. Patron Party Friday evening. In conjunction with largest outdoor Oktoberfest in the area. (785) 969-6506

TOPEKA NORTH OUTREACH FALL FESTIVAL - Oct. 1, Seaman Community Church, 2036 N.W. Taylor. Breakfast 7:30-10am, Lunch 11am-2pm. Silent Auction Baskets & more.

12TH ANNUAL KAW VALLEY FARM TOUR - Oct. 1, 9am-5pm, 2110 Harper. Lawrence, KS. Location: various farms in the Kaw River Valley. Price: \$10 per Carload, good for both days. The Kaw Valley Farm Tour is an opportunity for children & adults to visit local farms & learn about farm practices directly from the farmer. 32 farms across 6 counties along the Kaw River Valley. Alpacas-Zucchini's & everything in between

OCTOBERFEST - Oct. 1, 10am-8pm. Fairlawn Plaza. Music, German food, and a wiener dog race at 1pm.

ZUMBATHON PINK POWER DANCE PARTY - Oct. 1, 4-6pm. The New Vinewood. \$10.


35TH ANNUAL APPLE FESTIVAL - Oct. 2, 10am-5pm. Old Prairie Town at Ward-Meade Park, 124 NW Fillmore. \$5 in advance or \$6 at the gate. Children 12 and under free. Concessions, entertainment, folk arts & crafts and vintage stores. Vendors call 785-251-2993

LIFE CHAIN - Oct. 2, 2-3:30pm, Three locations: Washburn between 17th and 21st; 21st & Wanamaker; 29th & California.

LIFE CHAIN LAWRENCE - Oct. 2, Iowa St at 23rd, 12:30-2pm

37TH ANNUAL APPLE FESTIVAL - Oct. 2, 10am-5pm. Old Prairie Town at Ward-Meade Park, 124 NW Fillmore. \$5 advance or \$6 at the gate. Children 12 and under free. Concessions, entertainment, folk arts & crafts and vintage stores. Call 785-251-2993

HEALTHWISE SENIOR SUPPER - Oct. 3, 5:15-6:30pm, Stormont Vail Hospital (Main North Tower doors) Medicare Open Enrollment. Cost \$5. For info 354-5225.



PANCAKE FEED

Served by Perkins Restaurant


Oct. 15, 7 - 11 a.m.

Woman's Club of Topeka, 5221 SW West Dr.

(Across from Skating Rink on Fairlawn)

Proceeds to Scholarships for WU School of Nursing.

Cost: \$7; under age 5 free. Call 273-6978 for info.



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COMEDY CAFE

A Night of Laughter

Featuring
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Friday Evening November 18
Fellowship Bible Church
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C5Alive POWER Luncheons - (2nd Thur. ea. mo.)

Oct. 13, 11:30-1, Great Overland Station

"Pastors Appreciation Luncheon" - all Pastors invited at no charge; Public welcome.

Mary Brownback & Mike Siebert will give an overview of HOPE Mentoring, a Kansas Faith Based Initiative.

RSVP to info@C5Alive.org or call Lee at 785-640-8399

Save the Dates!

- Nov. 10, 11:30-1, Trash Mtn. update & Blue Jazz Coffee
- Dec. 8, 11:30-1, Christmas Music & Fun at Aldersgate!

 Find us on Facebook at facebook.com/C5Alive

For info: www.C5Alive.org or info@C5Alive.org



OCT. 8 DOWNTOWN TOPEKA

ANNUAL GARAGE SALES - Oct. 6, 7 & 8, 8am-4pm, Oak Park and Oakwood Hills neighborhoods (45th and Adams - 43rd and Adams)

GRANTVILLE FLEA MARKET - Oct. 7-9, 9am-7pm, 3597 27th St., Grantville (1 mile north of Hwy 24). For vendor info: Lindsay 785-249-5108. Follow page on Facebook

SLASH AND BASH - Oct. 7, 6am-12am. Oct. 8, 11am-12:30am. Seabrook Shopping Center, 1919 SW Gage. Free. For info: 430-5185

CAPITAL CITY JAZZ & FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL - Oct. 8, 4:30-10pm, 9th & Kansas Ave. A great mix of jazz - local and national artists - paired with food truck variety from across the state. The evening starts at 4:30pm with local jazz street performers and 25 food trucks; 6pm we're joined by Stan Keller's KC Jazz All Stars on the stage; followed by headliner, The New Breed Brass Band from New Orleans. Concert is FREE to the community and hosted by Downtown Topeka Inc., Visit Topeka, Inc. and Topeka Jazz Workshop.

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS STREET FAIR - Oct. 8, 12-5pm. NOTO Arts District.

2016 TOPEKA CRAFT SHOW - Oct. 8-9. Marlo Cuevas-Balandran Activity Center, 216 NE Branner.

CARBONDALE FALL FESTIVAL - Oct. 8. Activities all day followed by a parade at 6pm.

TOPEKA HEART WALK - Oct. 8, 8am, Washburn Univ., Morgan Hall Lawn. (the grass area north of the football stadium). A free, family-fun event for the entire community. We encourage teams to raise funds for our lifesaving education and research, every amount helps! Visit www.topekaheartwalk.org to form a team and for more information.

HUNTER AKERS BENEFIT CAR SHOW - Oct. 8, 10-3, Washburn Tech, 5724 SW Huntoon St.

"PASTOR'S APPRECIATION" LUNCHEON - Oct. 13, 11:30-1 at Great Overland Station. C5Alive presents a Christian Leadership Luncheon featuring reports concerning the HOPE Mentoring Program, which seeks to empower needy families and minorities. All pastors are invited to attend at no charge. Public invited!

• Cost: \$10 for C5 members & first-time guests who RSVP, \$12 at the door

• \$15 for non-members & repeat guests.

• Please RSVP to info@C5Alive.org, so we know how much food is needed!

Open to the public - Put POWER in your life with great food, great speakers and great company! Invite a friend to join you!

PANCAKE FEED - Oct. 15, 7-11am, Woman's Club of Topeka, 5221 SW West Dr. (Across from Skating Rink

on Fairlawn) Served by Perkins Restaurant. Proceeds to Scholarship Fund for Washburn School of Nursing. Cost: \$7; under age 5 free. 273-6978

TRASH MOUNTAIN PROJECT SPOKEN EVENT - Oct. 16, 6pm. Sunflower Ballroom of the Capital Plaza Hotel, 1717 SW Topeka Blvd. For those interested or passionate about TMP and the growing problem of trash dump communities worldwide. Help provide the chance for children to focus on their future instead of where their next meal might come from. For tickets or info: 246-6845 or trashmountain.com/spoken

OCTONAUTS LIVE! - Oct. 16, 5pm, TPAC, 214 SE 8th Ave. Operation Reef Shield/Captain Barnacles and his trusty crew join forces with a host of colorful Australian reef dwellers on a mission to save the Great Barrier. \$29, \$39, \$49 (785) 234-2787

MOVIE ON THE CAPITOL LAWN: WILLY WONKA AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY - Oct. 20, 6:30-9pm. 300 W 10th, South Lawn. Free. Bring blanket or lawn chair.

FORGETFEST MUSIC FESTIVAL - Oct. 21, 5pm. 9th and Jackson. Free. For info: 234-2644

HELPING HANDS HUMANE SOCIETY BONE APPÉTIT - Oct. 22, 6pm. Sunflower Ballroom, Capital Plaza Hotel. \$50. For info: 233-7325 or hhstopeka.org

CAPITAL CUP CYCLOCROSS AT THE CLOCKTOWER - Oct. 22 & 23, 10am-5pm. Menninger Hall, 301 SW Wanamaker Rd. For info: 235-2295

KANSAS FAIR - Oct. 22, 9am-7pm and Oct. 23, 9am-5pm. Kansas Expocentre

2016 SUNFLOWER STATE GAMES PUMPKIN RUN - Oct. 29, 9-11am. Sunflower Soccer Complex, 4829 NW 17th St. One mile run for kids, preschool through 6th grade. To register: 235-2295

4TH ANNUAL PUMPKIN RUN 5K - Oct. 29, 7:30-10am. Shelter House #1 3400 SE Leisure Lane. \$25 before, \$30 day of, \$50 family stroll. Proceeds go to the eradication of Polio. Costume contest following the 5k. For info: 266-8333 or register.chronotrack.com/r/23422

RUNNING DEAD 5K - Oct. 29, 11am. KC Renaissance Festival. \$30 per person. Free zombie makeup beginning at 8am. Costume contest at 10:30. To register: 913-721-2110

TRUNK OR TREAT - Oct. 30, 4-8pm, TrampoLazerRockball Park, 2134 SW Westport Dr.

BROOKWOOD BOOFEST - Oct. 31, 4-6pm, Brookwood Shopping Center

SILVER ANNIVERSARY SOCK HOP - Nov. 4, 7-10:30pm, TPAC, 214 S E 8th Ave. Break out the poodle skirts and letter jackets while we dance the night away to the classic 50's hits. Only \$12/person or \$20/couple.

TAILS ON THE TRAIL 5K - Nov. 5. Shawnee North Community Center, 300 NE 43rd St. For info: 286-0676

COMEDY CAFE - Nov. 18, 6:30-8:45pm, Fellowship Bible Church, 10th & Urish. An evening of fun, food (delectable desserts) and fellowship while learning more about the Youth for Christ ministry outreach and its impact here in Topeka. Featuring the comedy of David Dean. Make reservations or sponsor a table at www.topekayfc.org/comedycafe/ or call 232-8296.

MEETINGS & CLASSES

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TOPEKA WOMEN'S CONNECTION "Taste of Italy" LUNCHEON - Oct. 13 11:30am, T&SC Public Library, 1515 SW 10th Ave. Lunch is \$14, no charge for program only. RSVPs by Oct. 10 to Ann at 554-3617. SPEAKER: Linn Ann Huntington, Hays, KS. MUSIC: April Shields. FEATURE: Tasteful Olive, come at 11:00 for samples.

SATURDAY WOMEN'S CONNECTION "Spice Up Your Life" LUNCHEON - Oct. 15, 11am, T&SC Public Library, 1515 SW 10th Ave. \$14 for lunch, no charge for program. Open to all women. RSVPs to Arlene, 233-0701 or Leidaccloud@cox.net. Business Feature: Moberths Owners: Al & Mary Jo Struttman will show us how to cook with herbs & spices, & more! Music: Jonathan Brickman: Ponderworthy piano renditions. Speaker: "When things don't make sense." Linn Ann Huntington, Hays, KS, journalist & author.

DADDY'S GIRLS EMPOWERMENT MEETINGS -

Weekly at various times and locations. Daddy's Girls*Inc. is a faith based non-profit organization that encourages young ladies to make wise choices by providing biblically based education and mentoring. Enjoy hanging out with other young ladies striving to reach their highest potential through the power of JESUS CHRIST! Remember: Modest is still the hottest and Virgin is still His standard! Contact us to find a meeting location near you: (785) 969-0491, daddysgirlsinc.com; daddysgirlsinc@gmail.com

CONCERNED WOMEN FOR AMERICA MEETING - Join other concerned individuals to pray and unite in action for Shawnee County and our Nation. For info about monthly meetings: 785-260-5659 or ks.cwfa.org.

THE HEAT - Free fitness classes; learn and build healthy social & eating habits. Held at Trinity Presbyterian Church, 4746 SW 21st St. Sun. - 4-5pm Yoga; Mon. - 12-12:45pm Zumba; 5:30-6:15pm Kickboxing; 6:15-7pm Pilates Fusion; Tue. - 12-12:45pm Yoga; 5:30-6:15pm Zumba; 6:15-7pm Cardio Interval; Wed. - 12-12:45pm Kickboxing; Thu. - 12-12:45pm Pilates; 5:30-6:15pm Cardio Interval - Low intensity; Fri. - 12-12:45pm Kickboxing; Sat. - 8-8:45am Kickboxing

TOPEKA TREASURE HUNTERS CLUB - 3rd Sun. of each month, 7pm, Papan's Landing Senior Center, 618 NW Paramore St. Family Memberships include children & grandchildren up to 18 yrs. A place to meet friends to discuss all aspects of Metal Detecting, club business, plus socializing & entertainment.

STEP UP - BUILDING THE SMART STEP-FAMILY - Every Sun. 11am, Northland Christian Church, Room 4, 3102 NW Topeka Blvd. Focusing on the challenges facing step-families and blended families. Contact Thomas Munker at 249-3054 for info.

BOYS TRAIL LIFE & AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS TROUPOUS - Every Mon. 6pm, Cornerstone Comm. Ch, 7620 SW 21st. Faith-based scouting programs age 5-18. Register at cornerstonetopeka.com. 478-2929.

INNOVATIVE NETWORKING GROUP OF TOPEKA - every other Wed. 11:20am - 12:30pm. www.INGtopeka.com - go to Event page to see meetings, locations & register

CAPITAL CITY NETWORKING GROUP - every Thur, 7:30am, Jayhawk Tower - www.ccng-online.com. Membership cost \$37.50 a quarter.

TIBA NETWORKING GROUP - 2nd Tues, 11:30a.m.-1 p.m. MUST RSVP. Lunch is \$10. www.topekataba.org

DEAF WORSHIP SERVICE - 3rd Sun., 3pm, Faith Lutheran Church, 17th & Gage. Also, every Sun. 9:30am service is interpreted.

FAMILY EXPERIENCE (FX) - Every Sun., 6:01pm, Fairlawn Church of Nazarene, 730 Fairlawn Rd. A time of high intensity, action packed, skit mania, worship music all centered around the word of God for 45 minutes. A free family worship event. For info: Emily Moore, 272-6322 or fxtelawn@gmail.com.

LADIES' SMALL GROUP - Every Sun., 6pm, Bethel Baptist Church, 4011 N. Kansas Ave. Studying the book of Esther, using the DVD series "It's Tough Being a Woman" by Beth Moore. All welcome. Info: 286-0467.

THE FORCE (Students Taking Action) - 1st Mon. & 3rd Tue., 6:30-8pm, Safe Streets, 2209 SW 29th St. Committed to being alcohol & drug free. Associate with like-minded peers, plan activities & get involved in the community. Youth ages 12-18 invited. 266-4606.

HEARTLAND HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS - 2nd Mon., 11:45am-1pm. Promoting neighborhood well-being by mobilizing people, ideas & resources. 233-1365.

KC TRAUMA AND PTSD SUPPORT GROUP - Every Tue. 10am and Thu. 6:30pm. Call Denise at 816-885-9530

TOPEKA LINCOLN CLUB - 1st Tue. of month, 7pm, Topeka Public Library. Discussing our greatest President, Abraham Lincoln, and his times. The public is welcome. For info, contact Kirk Nystrom 235-6977.

OUR LADY OF THE FAITHFUL - Every 1st Tues., 6:30pm Mass followed by Dinner, Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church. A Catholic group for those in their 20-30s. For info: Michelle Ann 580-3071 or ourladyofthefairful@gmail.com. Facebook: "Ourladyofthefairful."

SUNRISE OPTIMIST CLUB - Every Tue., 6:30am, Sunrise Optimist Complex, 720 NW 50th St. 246-1291.

MENNINGER BIBLE CLASSES - Tuesdays starting Mar. 15, Noon -1pm. Amerus Room, YWCA, 225 West 12th. A new study group for Year One of Flo Menninger's course on Four Years through the Bible. Read and discuss Genesis through First Kings. Nominal charge for materials. For info call the YWCA at 233-1750 or Clara Gamache at 785-408-5433.

O.W.L.S. (Older Wise Loving Saints) - meets the second Tuesday of the month. Location varies and can be found at www.faithfamilylife.com

S.W.A.G. (Spiritual Warriors Anointed by God) youth group - Wed at 7:00 p.m. 3710 NW Topeka Blvd.

AWANA - Every Wed., 6-8pm, First Southern Baptist Church, 1912 SW Gage Blvd. Bible based program for children & youth ages 3-HS. For info: 272-0443.

AWANA - Every Wed., 6:30pm, Bethel Baptist Church, 4011 N. Kansas Ave. Bible based program for children & youth ages 3-HS. For info: 286-0467.

AWANA - Every Wed., 6:30-8pm, Auburn Christian Church. Bible based program for children & youth ages 3-HS. For info: 256-2515.

MACHINE EMBROIDERY CLUB - 1st Wed., 9am-3pm, Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 2021 SW 29th Street (east door). Anyone with an Embroidery machine is

invited to attend, there are no dues or formal meeting agenda. Lunch is on your own. Teach each other, enjoy fellowship & complete projects. Call 379-5159.

SAFE STREETS MEETING - 1st Wed., 11:45am, Golf Park Blvd, 2 blocks west of Adams. Info: 266-4606.

STUDENT IMPACT - Every Wed., 6-8pm, First Southern Baptist, 1912 SW Gage Blvd. Youth games, teaching, worship, small groups. For info: 272-0443.

CHRISTIAN CHALLENGE - Every Thurs. 7-9pm, First Southern Baptist, 1912 SW Gage Blvd. Worship for college students.

FULL GOSPEL BUSINESSMEN'S FELLOWSHIP - 3rd Thurs., 6pm meal, 7pm meeting, Coyote Canyon, Huntoon & Wanamaker. Kirk Nystrom, 235-6977.

OPERATION BACKPACK - 1st Thurs., 6pm, Lyman Learning Center, Lyman and N. Kansas Ave. Volunteers gather to assemble Weekend Snack Sacks for low-income students. Sponsored by Topeka North Outreach. For info: 286-1370.

iMOM - 1st & 3rd Thurs., 9-11:30am, Topeka Bible Church Fellowship Hall, 1135 SW College. For all moms, helping them to be intentional! For info: 234-5545.

SINGLES BIBLE STUDY - 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7pm, Heartland Worship Center Church of God, 1401 NW Harrison. For info: 232-5503.

TOPEKA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY - 4th Thurs., 7pm, Topeka Shawnee County Public Library, 1515 SW 10th St. No program in Nov. or Dec. Promotes & stimulates the education, knowledge & interest of the membership & the public in family history, genealogical records & research. For info: 233-5762 or tgstopeka.org.

KINGDOM ADVISORS TOPEKA AREA STUDY GROUP - 3rd Thu., 11:30am, Northland Christian Church, 3102 NW Topeka Blvd. Christian financial professionals: financial planners, accountants, attorney's & insurance agents invited. For info: kingdomadvisors.org or Jim Hanna, james.c.hanna@ampf.com or 357-6278 x19

TOPEKA (Downtown) OPTIMIST CLUB - Every Fri., noon, Top of the Tower. Serving the youth of Topeka. Anyone welcome. 272-1099 or fostern60@yahoo.com.

TOPS (Taking Off Pounds Sensibly) - Every Fri. 8:30 to 10:00 am at 3221 SW Burlingame Road. 800-932-

8677. Support for your weight loss journey. tops.org

VIP LUNCHEON FOR SENIORS - Every Fri., Noon, North Topeka Baptist Church, 123 NW Gordon. FREE lunch with Christian fellowship, devotions & entertainment provided by Topeka North Outreach. Free blood pressure checks the last Friday of every month, and birthday celebrations the 4th Friday. For Info: 286-1370.

A GOOD YARN CLUB - 2nd & 4th Sat., 9-11am, Wanamaker Rd Baptist Church, 2700 SW Wanamaker. Doing Good for Others: Knitting & Crocheting for Local Charities, free yarn, needles, hooks & patterns. All are welcome. Info: Anne, 272-9249 or kittens812@att.net

BIBLE QUIZZING - 1st Sat. Learn God's Word & have fun with area Christian youth age 9-19. YFC/YEA style quizzing & rules. 913-593-6427; biblequizzing.org

MONTHLY SCORE MEETING - 1st Sat., 8-9:30am, Washburn Tech, 5724 SW Huntoon (enter east doors facing Huntoon). No RSVP or fee. Small business owners are invited to a Breakfast Roundtable discussion with (Service Corps of Retired Executives. 234-3049.

TOPEKA LOVE AGLOW - Once a month on Sat. morning. A time of worship, prayer and encountering God. Call Tawny Barton at 785-409-0232 or Linda Williams at 785-267-0600 for details.

FREE ENGLISH CLASSES - Every Sat. 9-10:30am, Central Congregational Church, 1248 SW Buchanan. For info: 235-2376.

RUSSIAN HOUSE OF PRAYER - Every Sat., 4pm, Williamstown Assembly of God, 1225 Oak St., Perry/Williamstown. For info: 597-5228.

SINGLES PLAY CARDS SR. - 1st Sat., 6-9pm, St. Peter's UMC, NW 35th & Hwy 75

SAVING DEATH ROW DOGS ADOPTION & EDUCATION - every Sat. 11am-2pm, Petco, 1930 SW Wanamaker.

UPPER ROOM COMMUNITY - second Sat., 10 am, Capitol Building

SUPPORT GROUPS

MIDLAND CARE GRIEF SUPPORT Groups: Building A, 200 SW Frazier Circle. Every Mon., 4-5pm: 12 Week Adult Group for Reent Loss 1st and 3rd Thu., 10:30am & 5:30pm—Ongoing Adult Group 1st and 3rd Thu.,

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TUESDAY OCT 18 7PM
WEDNESDAY OCT 19 7 PM
522 SW POLK ST. TOPEKA KS

IN GOD'S HOUSE CHURCH
THURSDAY OCT 20 7PM
FRIDAY OCT 21 7 PM
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WED. – 6:30pm, Topeka Bible Church, 1101 SW Mulvane. Cost: \$15. Child care provided. For info: 379-0505 or www.divorcecare.org.

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WED. – 6:30pm, Northland Christian Church, 3102 NW Topeka Blvd. No Cost. 286-1204, www.northland.cc

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PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP – 1st Thurs., 7pm, 2nd floor conf. room of the cancer unit at St Francis Hospital. For info: 266-9533.

NICOTINE ANONYMOUS – Every Fri., 6:30pm, Town & Country Christian Church Renaissance Room, 4925 SW 29th St., use west door cross red foot bridge. A fellowship of men & women helping each other to live free of nicotine. No fees. 402-321-486; Laboomaha@att.net.

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TOPEKA NAR-ANON FAMILY GROUP – For families & friends who are affected by someone else's narcotic addiction. Every Sat. – 1005 SW 10th, next to Oxford House, noon-1:15 pm. www.naranonmidwest.org

COVENANT KEEPERS – 3rd Sat. Group for people who want to see their marriage saved when their spouse wants out. For info: 816-453-0884 or 816-966-0927.

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church would be 'easy.'" According to a court affidavit, abu-Rayyan claimed:

"A lot of people go there. Plus people are not allowed to carry guns in church. Plus it would make the news. Everybody would've heard. Honestly I regret not doing it. (If I) can't go do jihad at the Middle East, I would do my jihad over here."

He also told the undercover FBI agent that he carried a "large knife or sword in his car" and if he got into a fight, said, "it is my dream to behead someone."

His arraignment occurred around the same time that Republican Presidential candidate Donald Trump announced the need to ban Muslims from entering the country. Incredibly, Trump's assertion continues to be criticized even though existing federal law already prohibits providing any aid, visa, Green Card, citizenship status or rights to Islamists seeking entrance into the country—since 1952.

The Obama administration and previous administrations have intentionally and repeatedly chosen to break the law. In fact, the last ten presidents chose not to secure the U.S. border.

The intentional ongoing failure to uphold the U.S. Constitution has obviously created the dire situation in which Americans, and especially Christians, find themselves.

But what the local church can teach ISIS and America's failed government, is that the church is where people turn first in times of crisis. The refuge they seek is only found in the eternal God who promises to shield them in times of trouble with the shadow of His wings. The safest place for the church is the church itself.

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Conference gathers big-hitters for truth

On October 15-16, hundreds of people will gather in Lebanon, Mo. for the Unshakable Truth Worldview Conference. The conference, hosted by Heritage Baptist Church, will feature Christian leaders and scholars from across the country who will speak about major cultural issues of the day, according to organizers. Speakers include, among others, former U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft, Former Ethics & Religious Liberty President Richard Land, and Answers in Genesis Spokesman Terry Mortenson. For info visit hbclebanon.com or call 417-532-7518.

Christians get no help from US

When the State Department declared Christians in Iraq and Syria were facing genocide many hoped or even assumed support for those communities would follow but it hasn't.

New Jersey Rep. Chris Smith has introduced bipartisan legislation that would provide relief to victims of genocide in Iraq and Syria and hold accountable those



responsible. Advocates are surprised legislation is even needed to pressure Congress and the president to protect whole communities facing annihilation.

"In the midst of this genocide, saving Christian and other communities that face extinction in Iraq and Syria is part of your mission. There is nothing unconstitutional, illegal, unethical or unprofessional about prioritizing their need to survival as communities. They are innocent victims of a genocide. If these victim communities are not receiving aid, you are not fulfilling your mission," Carl Anderson, Supreme Knight with the Knights of Columbus, testified during a hearing led by Smith.

Steve Rasche, resettlement director for the Chaldean Catholic Archdiocese of Erbil, testified it's been years since Iraqi Christians facing slaughter at the hands of ISIS have received any aid from the United States.

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'Sully' a masterpiece about a real miracle

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by **Michael Faust**

Making movies based on well-known historical events can be a bit tricky -- especially if it is about an event that nearly every person in the theater will remember.

But that is what director Clint Eastwood and the studio (Warner Brothers) behind the new film *Sully* (PG-13) chose to do -- and despite the fact that the so-called "Miracle on the Hudson" took place only seven years ago, they did it successfully.

Sully is one of the best movies of the year, delivering surprise after surprise about an American hero -- Captain Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger (played by Tom Hanks) -- who landed U.S. Airways Flight 1549 on the Hudson River near New York after it was disabled due to a rare bird strike on both engines. Incredibly, all 155 people on board survived. *Sully's* story was told and retold in the days after the heroic events of Jan. 15, 2009, so what possibly could we all have missed? As it turns out, a lot.

Sullenberger had doubts that he did the right thing, wondering if he should have tried to land the plane at a close airport instead of endangering the passengers by putting the plane on the river. Those doubts led to nightmares about passenger planes crashing. He even wondered if the incident would threaten his career and retirement, leading to financial ruin for his family.

The movie turns officials with the National Transportation Safety Board into heartless bureaucrats, although some former employees say the NTSB gave Sullenberger high marks. Sullenberger, though, says the movie reflects his memory.

Historians can debate the film's nuances, but from an entertainment and inspirational perspective,



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Entertainment rating: 4 out of 5 stars
Family friendly rating: 3 out of 5 stars
RATED PG-13
SEXUALITY: None
VIOLENCE: None. The plane lands in the river, although it is bloodless.

Eastwood and his writing team have woven a masterpiece.

The movie has plenty to like for the faith-based crowd, but is it family friendly? Let's take a look.

The Good

Our society is always searching for heroes and role models, but we often miss the mark. And even though I'm not too fond of the hero concept, the on-screen version of Sullenberger has lots of qualities we all should emulate. He's incredibly humble, spreading credit to those around him for the safe landing. He's unselfish, making sure each person is off the plane before he climbs out -- and then not resting until he's told that every person survived. He's also devoted to his wife, and their tight bond and devotion to one another forms one of the film's major themes. As he's getting into the lifeboat he immediately calls his wife: "I love you, and I'm OK." Later, when one of his fans tells him that her mother,

Brenda, is single, he replies: "You tell Brenda 'thank-you,' but I've got a girl at home."

Hanks is outstanding in his role, as is Aaron Eckhart, who plays his co-pilot.

The cockpit scenes are as realistic as I have ever seen in a movie.

The Bad

There's not much not to like. *Sully* contains no sexuality and no violence, and in the movie the water landing scene is completely bloodless. (In real life, there were a handful of serious injuries.) Nevertheless, many children would be troubled by watching an airplane fall out of the sky -- not to mention by viewing Sullenberger's nightmares of planes crashing into buildings.

The only strike against the film is the language. It contains about 17 coarse words, although no instances of God's name being abused.

Lessons for Families

Sully is not a faith-based film in the strict sense, but Sullenberger's actions certainly have biblical support.

His desire to sacrifice his life for others is evident with water rushing down the aisles, and instead of running away from the danger he hurries toward it, looking frantically for passengers. He helps them get out, even giving them clothing so they will be warm. He is the last person off the plane. It reminded

MOVIES, BOOKS, MUSIC & MORE!

Local author has book on prayer

Award-winning author Teresa J. Herbic's new book released from Whitaker House in September, has a

broad spectrum of church and community leaders united on one point: *Family Prayer Made Easy*, is a well-written, practical and invaluable spiritual tool, crucial for this generation.

Herbic will be at Barnes and Noble, Zona Rosa in Kansas City on Saturday Oct. 8, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. for a book celebration and signing.

"Wow! Teresa delivers a book that so many families can actually use to reconnect to God," says Humane Society Communications Manager Karen L. Allanach. "Family Prayer Made Easy makes daily prayer a fun, family activity while keeping the faith. Teresa's life-long dedication to orphans--both children and animals--is unwavering, and she consistently finds ways to celebrate and nurture God in our everyday lives."

"This book will bless you and anchor your home," says 700 Club host Terry Meeuwesen who also serves as the director of Orphan's Promise. "Teresa Herbic has done all of the legwork for us with her prayer guide in order that we might pray as

families. I can't think of anything more powerful or more important."

Dr. Robert C. Springate, vice president of the Missouri Baptist Children's Home Foundation, says "Teresa Herbic loves the Lord, loves families, and loves children (particularly those in need of a 'forever family' through foster or adoptive placement)."

Herbic draws from Scripture and personal experience including inspiring and humorous stories of life with her husband Galen and their two adopted children, Meyana and Braxten. The intro includes the brief and practical sections, "How to Use This Book," and "Ten Steps to Fruitful Prayer." Then through 14 chapters she offers a host of ways families can draw closer to God and one another through prayer, with stories for children of all ages, Scriptures about prayer and God's promises, and 100 interactive ideas for prayer and family worship.

Dave Coffman, director of Adoption Resource Foundation sums the book up well: "In this insightful guide, Teresa Herbic shares how together we build forever families."

me of John 15:13: "There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends."

Families would do well to watch how Sullenberger handles himself in the face of both praise (strangers call him a hero) and criticism (the NTSB questions his actions). He stays humble and refuses to strike back verbally against his critics.

There's also a lesson in the film on

how one entire life can be defined by a single action -- good or bad. "I'm going to be judged on 208 seconds," he says.

For him, it turned out well.

Finally, there's a lesson about real-life miracles and God's providence. How else can you explain this incredible story?

—Michael Faust has covered the film industry for more than a decade and is the father of four small children.

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Carman's comeback stops in Kansas City

Carman triumphantly returns to the stage with a new concept for touring in 2016. Named CinemaSonic Experience, it's a concert, a movie, a play and a crusade all in one. The new high-energy show, presented in classic Carman style, does not disappoint. Surrounded by six giant LED screens, Carman once again brings people out of their seat and rolls back the clock. It's an evening of miracles; the first in seeing a man who's led over a million people to Christ shake off a certain death sentence to once again dazzle the crowds, as he continues to change lives for the



CARMAN

kingdom of God.

The tour makes a stop in the area Oct. 8 at 7pm, doors at 6:00pm, at the Excelsior Springs, Mo. Performing Arts Center. Tickets may be purchased at www.itickets.com.

This new effort highlights new music and his 40 year catalogue of classic music. Songs like "The Champion," "Witches Invitation" and "Who's in the House" are presented in an entirely new and creative way.

Carman was diagnosed in

February of 2013 with Multiple Myeloma, an incurable cancer of the blood that deteriorates the body's bones, literally eating them away piece by piece. He was given less than 18 months to live but pulled through. A fundraising effort on Kickstarter generated the funds to launch the new show and inspire Caman to continue in ministry.

Carman said to his Kickstarter backers, "You have not only given me my ministry back, but have restored my soul. Through your prayers and support I'm ready to win souls again."

ALBUM REFLECT MUSICIAN'S LIFE-ALTERING BATTLE WITH CANCER

If you didn't already know, Tenth Avenue North just released their newest album, *Followers*, this month.

"This album is about following Jesus wherever He calls us," explained North's Mike Donehey. "Everyone says 'let's follow Jesus - let's do all these extravagant things,' but what we're saying is not to follow Jesus in what we do but to follow Jesus in the WHY we do it."

And, if you don't mind a road trip in November, be sure to catch Tenth Avenue North on their "What You Want" Tour. They will be coming through Kansas (Hutchinson, Nov. 4) and Missouri (Farmington, Nov. 5). For more information on the new album, package deals, and Just Love Coffee, please visit tenthavenueorth.com and justlovecoffee.com.

Also recently released, Casting Crowns' eighth studio album, *The Very Next Thing*, has some gotten some attention for more than just offering a selection of new encouraging songs. Following front-man Mark Hall's recent bout with cancer, the album reflects a new meaning in his singing and the purpose of the band.

"All of the albums are personal to us



because the songs that we write come out of our ministries in the local church - this stuff is happening, this is real life," Hall said, recently, "any song that you've ever heard from Crown, before it was a song it was a Bible study, or a devotion or a moment or situation that has risen out of being a minister to families."

"Between [Glorious Days: Hymns of Faith and The Very Next Thing], I was diagnosed with cancer and had a kidney removed. I went through a good five months of a bit of a storm in our family. When you're in youth ministry you're always about helping other people get through their stuff. I'm the guy that's helping everybody else... all of a sudden, I'm the one getting the phone call from



the doctor and I'm the one hearing all this stuff. It really humbled me in a lot of ways because I don't hurt well in front of people... I'm not really good at getting comforted, so I really had to walk through letting the church love me and pray for me and know my business, and it was so good for me."

The *Very Next Thing* was released in mid-September and is available now.

Following a successful Kickstarter campaign, two-time Dove Award winning Disciple is releasing their 13th studio album, *LONG LIVE THE REBELS*, this month, in partnership with Tooth & Nail / BEC Recordings.

"In the body of Christ every part is important, and every part is powerful. Music is one of those powerful forces that God uses to change the world, one life at a time," Disciple front-man Kevin Young says, "When we started Disciple we wanted to play music that would impact people's lives, and that mission has never been stronger ... while the world goes their way, we are the rebels who will walk the other way. We want to be the rebels who will change the world."

The band also took a different route this time to achieve their recording. Pursuing a course as independent artists, Disciple decided to make *LONG LIVE*

THE REBELS solely on their fan base via Kickstarter to fund the album. The decision paid off when they were able to raise over \$100,000 in 6 days; more than 200% of the initial goal.

Produced by Aaron Sprinkle, Disciple's first single, "God Is With Us" is hitting the radio airwaves later this month.

"Worth is what people are willing to pay for something," Young said, "We are so valuable to God that he paid for us with his Son. Because of this, the words of others have no power. God bought me and I know what I'm worth to him."

On the heels of their acclaimed studio album *Live On Forever*, The Afters have decided to offer a special free download on Noisetrade. The album includes 17 songs that cover their career, including tracks from each of their five albums, plus a song from their brand new release. As with any Noisetrade download, you can offer the band a financial "tip," and The Afters have decided any proceeds from the campaign are going to Children's Relief International.

Sadie Robertson on how she stopped living in fear

"Duck Dynasty" star Sadie Robertson revealed she lived with anxiety for two years.

In an interview with Rare, Robertson said it was her faith that got her through her struggle.

"Whenever I was struggling with anxiety for two years, I would wake up and I was scared," she shared. "I would go to bed, and I was scared. I would go through the

day and was scared -- constantly in this state of fear."

She added, "The Bible says so many times not to fear, but it was like I couldn't shake it off of me."

Eventually the 19-year-old learned to fully trust God and realize "that God has already conquered fear."

That's why the reality star had the word "fearless" tattooed on her

arm.

"[My tattoo is] not for anybody else, it's not to be cool," she said. "It's just so that I can see that I'm living fearless in the name of Jesus."

Robertson is now touring the country with her "Live Original Tour 2016," a variety show. For more information go to www.live-original.com



Deepwater Horizon movie: horror, heroism, fear, faith

by Rusty Wright

Imagine you're relaxing in your hotel room after a long day's work. Your three-week business trip is nearly over and you're returning home the next day. Then...

BOOM! A massive explosion rocks your world. Your room becomes an inferno of smoke and fire. You rush to escape, wanting to get to the ground floor. But that's impossible. You see, you're in a floating hotel attached to an oil rig in the Gulf of Mexico. Land is forty miles away. What do you do? Will you survive?

Similar horror faced the *Deepwater Horizon* oil rig crew on April 20, 2010. Eleven workers perished. The resulting oil spill became one of the costliest US disasters, polluting the gulf and beaches, harming five states' economies, prompting governors to ask citizens to pray for relief.

Horror and heroism

The spill, cleanup, and lawsuits



Academy Award-nominee Mark Wahlberg stars in *Deepwater Horizon*.

against British Petroleum dominated the news back then. But the saga of what happened on the rig that night, and the valor that saved many lives, is a lesser-known story.

The film *Deepwater Horizon* depicts tragedy and triumph, horror and heroism, fear and faith as employees fight to save themselves and their compatriots. Opening September 30 (USA; plus on five continents in coming weeks), it stars Mark Wahlberg, Kate Hudson, Kurt Russell and John Malkovich.

The script drew from a lengthy and insightful December 2010 New York

Times article, "Deepwater Horizon's Final Hours," by David Barstow, David Rohde and Stephanie Saul.

Tragedy of errors

This debacle was partly a tragedy of errors. The Times' analysis concluded that "crew members died and suffered terrible injuries because every one of the *Horizon*'s defenses failed on April 20." Inadequate training met complex systems and human hesitation. The result: many staff received no warning of impending danger. A blast was their first clue. Dead seagulls fell from the sky.

Yet "many lives were saved by simple acts of bravery," the Times continued. "All over the rig, in the most hellish of circumstances, men and women helped one another find a way to live." The film depicts numerous examples of self sacrifice.

Electronics technician Mike Williams (Wahlberg) saw his computer monitor explode, then a major explosion smashed a door into his forehead. Bloodied, he crawled with a penlight in his mouth, then, with two others, braved flames in an unsuccessful attempt to start the ship's generators.

Tension often characterized the crew's relationship with BP executives, whose compensation was tied to on-time performance. Crew members felt pressure to cut corners in risky ways. Crew chief Jimmy Harrell (Kurt Russell) helped carry a gravely injured exec on a backboard to a lifeboat. In another instance, the chief engineer said he ignored the captain's suggestion to abandon an injured comrade, carrying him to safety. (The captain later disputed the engineer's characterization.)

Fear and faith

As you might imagine, faith played a role in how some – maybe many – vic-

tims managed this crisis. The Times reported that certain members of the drilling crew studied the Bible together during their stays on the rig. During the tragedy – amid intense heat, bursting nitrogen tanks, and injured crewmates – Caleb Holloway (played by Dylan O'Brien) started to pray, remembering a statement from the biblical prophet Isaiah, "Yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

Holloway described to the Times his escape as one of the last to enter his lifeboat: "The fire was intense. People were worried about the deck melting and falling toward the lifeboat. ... I felt like I was carried off of that rig by God's righteous right hand."

The morning after the explosion, as survivors gathered on a nearby ship taking them to land, they could see the still burning *Horizon*. A crewman suggested that the group should say something in honor of their lost coworkers. Silence. Then a driller began, "Our Father...." Everyone joined him in the Lord's Prayer.

—Rusty Wright is an author and lecturer who has spoken on six continents. He holds Bachelor of Science (psychology) and Master of Theology degrees from Duke and Oxford universities, respectively. www.RustyWright.com



10 Signs of Caregiver Stress

BY MARLO SOLLITTO

The demands on a person who is taking care of elderly parents result in a great deal of stress. If caregivers aren't careful, they jeopardize their own health and well-being.

A study of family caregivers found that those who experience caregiving-related stress have a 63% higher mortality rate than non-caregivers of the same age. There are several reasons why stress occurs, such as working too much, not sleeping enough, having to deal with family and work at the same time, and not having as many hours in the day as you need to take care of yourself.

Remember you can't care for your loved one if you are ill yourself. The first step in dealing with caregiver stress is to recognize the signs. Then, you can find ways to deal with it and enlist support or medical help when needed.

10 signs of caregiver stress

Depression. Symptoms include constant sadness, feelings of hopelessness and increased crying.

Withdrawal. This can occur if you are

depressed. You may not wish to see family and friends. You may stop taking part in things you used to enjoy.

Anxiety. You may feel anxious to get things done or you may feel that you don't have enough time, or about facing another day and what the future holds.

Anger. You may start yelling at your loved one more, or have difficulty controlling your temper with other people. Caregivers often become angry at their loved one because they are sacrificing their own lives to care for them. Feeling angry at family members for not helping is also common.

Loss of concentration. You are constantly thinking about your loved one and everything that you need to do. As a result, you have difficulty concentrating at home or at work.

Changes in eating habits. This results in weight gain or loss, as well as increased illness.

Insomnia. You may feel tired, but cannot sleep. Or, you may not feel tired even if your body is tired. You also may wake up in the middle of the night or have nightmares and stressful dreams.

Exhaustion. If you frequently wake

up feeling you can't get out of bed despite a good night's sleep, you're in distress.

Drinking or smoking. You may find that you are drinking or smoking more. Or, you start drinking or smoking when you haven't in the past.

Health problems. You may catch colds or the flu more often than usual. This is particularly common in caregivers who do not take care of themselves, by not eating properly and exercising.

14 Strategies for Controlling Your Stress

- Use respite and healthcare resources available to you. Taking a break, and ensuring your loved one is well cared for is one of the best ways to reduce stress.

- If you need financial help, don't be afraid to ask family members to contribute their fair share.

- Say "no" to requests that are draining and stressful, such as hosting holiday meals.

- Forgive yourself for your imperfections. There is no such thing as a "perfect" caregiver.

- Identify what you can and cannot



change. You may not be able to change someone else's behavior, but you can change the way that you react to it.

- Set realistic goals. Break large tasks into smaller steps that you can do one at a time.

- Prioritize, make lists, and establish a daily routine.

- Keep in touch with family and friends and make time for yourself.

- Join a support group for caregivers. If your loved one has a particular affliction, such as Alzheimer's or dementia, look for a support group targeted at that disease.

- Make time to be physically active on

most days, even if it's a short walk. Eat a healthy well-balanced diet and get enough sleep.

- See your doctor regularly for check-ups.

- Keep your sense of humor and practice positive thinking.

- Find out about caregiving resources in your community. Your Area Agency on Aging is a great, free resource.

- If you work outside the home, consider taking a break from your job. Employees covered under the federal Family and Medical Leave Act may be able to take up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave per year to care for relatives.

5 Helpful Caregiver Tips for a Loved One with Dementia

BY RYAN SMOLEK

As our parents and grandparents age, it is normal to begin to notice a decline in health, mobility and many other things. However, memory loss, difficulty with problem solving, and confusion are a few signs that may indicate various types of cognitive impairment.

Only a doctor can determine whether a loved one's memory problems or confusion is Alzheimer's or something else, and that same doctor will be the one to prescribe a course of action for treatment. There are, however, things that you can do to help your loved ones stay as sharp and healthy as possible during the onset of Alzheimer's or other types of dementia.

5 Tips on Delaying Their Mental Decline

Make sure they are eating right.

Do you remember when your parents told you to eat your vegetables? For the sake of their health, now is the time for you to do the same for them. Encourage your parents to consume a healthy diet filled with fruits and vegetables. Additionally, try to replace red meat, which can be high in harmful saturated fat, with fish, which contains helpful omega-3 oils. A healthy diet can go a long way toward warding off Alzheimer's. In a report released September 2015 the Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation states, "No clinical

trials have been sufficiently large and long enough to test whether DHA supplements or fish can reduce the risk of developing dementia per se." However, eating a healthy diet can reduce the risk of developing additional health problems including heart disease, heart attack, stroke, cancer and diabetes, which can be complicated to handle in addition to dementia.

Help them avoid stress.

It is no secret that stress can cause a variety of health problems, and Alzheimer's disease is no exception. The fact is, when a person experiences stress, their body releases cortisol, which can damage brain cells that control memory. Help your grandparents find productive ways to deal with stress, including exercise and meditation. Learning how to relax more completely will help regulate cortisol levels and will decrease the chances for stress-induced memory loss. (This is important for caregivers too!)

Get them moving.

What is the one thing your loved one can do that can cut their chances of developing Alzheimer's by up to 50 percent? Exercise helps. Something as simple as going for a 30-minute walk or enjoying swimming in the backyard pool several times a week is enough to keep the body and the brain in good shape. Ensure that your parents or grandparents stay active. Insist on going

for a brisk walk after Sunday dinners, or invite them to join you the next time you go to the gym.

Keep their mind active.

Just as it is important to exercise the body, it is equally important to exercise the mind. Research has shown that increasing mental activity can actually slow the progress of Alzheimer's in the early stages. Activities like playing chess, solving a crossword puzzle or reading a book are all great ways to keep your loved one's mind engaged. Find something that your parent or grandparent enjoys, perhaps it is playing music or even playing a board game, and then get involved with them.

Plan ahead.

If you are beginning to notice signs of cognitive impairment in your loved one, one of the most important things that you can do is start preparing for the future. Talk with your siblings about who will care for your parent if they are no longer able to live on their own. Begin researching how much care will cost, if a family member will provide care or a professional will be hired, and explore the options for paying for it. This type of planning will not do anything to slow the progression of Alzheimer's, but it will go a long way toward making the best of an unfortunate situation. Peace of mind is invaluable.

If you are seeing signs of confusion,

memory loss or other cognitive issues in your loved one, it is important that they visit their doctor. However, it is also important that you do what you can at home to help them stall any mental decline. Encourage your parent or grandparent to eat healthy and exercise regularly. Help them learn how to decrease and control their stress levels, and ensure they have plenty of activities to keep them mentally active. Plan

ahead for what the future holds.

While you are at it, consider taking the same good care of yourself. As Benjamin Franklin once said, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" — and nowhere does that hold truer than for your health. Caregivers experience high amounts of stress and it is extremely important for them to care for their mental, emotional and physical health.

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benefits generally can continue until they graduate or until two months after they reach age 19, whichever is first. If your child is still going to be in school at age 19, you'll want to visit www.socialsecurity.gov/schools.

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HEALTHWISE SENIOR SUPPER - Oct. 3, 5:15-6:30pm, Stormont Vail Hospital (Main North Tower doors) Medicare Open Enrollment. Cost \$5. For info call 354-5225.

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1. Realize you are a sinner. Everyone starts the same place spiritually. "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of god." (Rom. 3:23). Sin's penalty keeps you out of Heaven and condemns you to Hell, separating you from God. Romans 6:23 says, "The wages of sin is death." Sin brings both physical & spiritual death. "And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death." (Rev. 20:14).

2. Realize Jesus paid the penalty. Jesus Christ's death, burial, and resurrection provided a way for you to go to heaven and restore your relationship with God. "But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." (Rom. 5:8). Since Jesus, God's Son, was the only One who could pay for our sin, He is the only Way to Heaven.

3. Repent of your sin and receive Jesus as your Savior. In order to go to Heaven from KANSAS, or anywhere else, you must accept Christ by calling on Him in prayer. He tells us in Romans 10:13, "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Use the following prayer, or one similar to it, to receive Him now:

Dear Lord Jesus, I know I am a sinner. I believe that you died and rose again for me. Please forgive me of my sin, become Lord of my life, and take me to heaven when I die. I am trusting you completely, and in nothing I can do. Thank you Jesus! Amen.

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ARNOLD PALMER: Lessons in Life

Arnold Palmer, known as "The King" of golf, died September 25 at the age of 87. He ended his professional career with 92 championship wins and a delicious beverage to his name, but he remained a fixture in the world of golf as a course designer and owner, as well as a sponsor of major tournaments.



Arnold Palmer
1929 - 2016

He was one of golf's most popular stars and its most important trailblazer, because he was the first superstar of the sport's television age, which began in the 1950s.

A Christian, Palmer's social impact on behalf of golf was perhaps unrivaled among fellow professionals; his humble background and plain-spoken popularity helped change the perception of golf as an elite, upper-class pastime to a more populist sport accessible to middle and working classes.

Palmer won the PGA Tour Lifetime Achievement Award in 1998, and in 1974 was one of the 13 original inductees into the World Golf Hall of Fame.

He built up a wide fan base, often referred to as "Arnie's Army", and in 1967 he became the first man to reach one million dollars in career earnings on the PGA Tour. By the late 1960s Jack Nicklaus and Gary Player had both acquired clear ascendancy in their rivalry, but Palmer won a PGA Tour event every year from 1955 to 1971 inclusive, and in 1971 he enjoyed a revival, winning four events.

Palmer won the Vardon Trophy for lowest scoring aver-

age four times: 1961, 1962, 1964, and 1967. He also played on six Ryder Cup teams.

One of Palmer's most recent products (mass-produced starting in 2001) is a branded use of the beverage known as the Arnold Palmer, which combines sweet iced tea with lemonade.

In a recent interview, Palmer was asked, if life could

give him a second chance, what shot would he have liked to hit again? To the



surprise of the interviewer, Palmer, who is known for his missed opportunities to win other Major tournaments, responded: "None."

Palmer went on to share that although he would like to hit again a few critical shots in his pursuit to win other Major tournaments, he was very fortunate of having had that experience in his golf career. Those missed shots provided him with a source of wisdom and experience that eventually became extremely valuable. He was also very grateful for the great support network as he learned from those unfortunate experiences and turned them into learning experiences not only in golf, but also in his personal life.

Palmer was humbled and wise. He was taking life and golf experiences as a source of wisdom. He learned from his failed attempts, and kept working hard. He kept making adjustments, and did not blame himself or others for his missed opportunities. His approach was one of constant learning. Every win enhanced his confidence; every missed opportunity was a chance to learn something new.

Famous Arnold Palmer Quotes

What other people may find in poetry or art museums, I find in the flight of a good drive..

Golf is deceptively simple and endlessly complicated.

Concentration comes out of a combination of confidence and hunger.

Success in golf depends less on strength of body than upon strength of mind and character.

I've always made a total effort, even when the odds seemed entirely against me. I never quit trying; I never felt that I didn't have a chance to win.

The most rewarding things you do in life are often the ones that look like they cannot be done.

You must play boldly to win.



FROM THE CHEAP SEATS

by Rob Mooney

Four weeks into the college football season and the Big 12 Conference seems to be in shambles. As of right now, there are three teams ranked in the top 25, Baylor at #13, TCU at #21 and Texas at #22. Oklahoma is 1-2 and has dropped out of the poll, but they were considered the best that the league had to offer. Granted, their two losses were to #2 Ohio State and #6 Houston, the Sooners need to win out to even have a chance to sniff the playoffs, where the top four teams compete for the National Championship.

I realize that seven of the ten teams have winning records thus far, but the combined records of Big 12 teams is 21-13, a winning percentage of 62%. Not bad but you'd expect a power conference to be a bit better. The ACC is 38-16, 70%. The Big 10 36-13, 73%, the SEC is 37-19, 66% and the Pac-10 is 29-16, 64%. So, as you

can see, the Big 12 has the lowest winning percentage of the five power conferences. Surely, they have some work to do, but it is possible for a team from the Big 12 to make a run.

Baylor could be that team. Currently 4-0 and ranked #13, the Bears play Iowa State and Kansas before playing at #22 Texas, so they should be 6-0 before the showdown with the Longhorns. Sure, Baylor is scoring lots of points again, but their toughest game was Oklahoma State, where they won by 11. However, Baylor plays on the road at Texas, Oklahoma and West Virginia. It will be an uphill battle.

TCU is another team that could challenge for the Big 12 crown. Currently at 3-1 in conference play, the Horned Frogs get Oklahoma at home and that game will determine if they are for real or not.

West Virginia isn't ranked but they sit at

3-0 and they host Kansas State, TCU, Oklahoma and Baylor. The schedule surely favors the Mountaineers and they could be real dangerous in Big 12 play. If the win their next two games to go to 5-0, look for them to crack the Top 25.

I'm not sold on Texas yet but the pollsters sure do love them. Unranked to start the season, they debuted at #11 after beating a very overrated Notre Dame team by three points. After losing to Cal, they fell to #22, but I don't think they should even be ranked.

The best team in the Big 12 is still Oklahoma. Despite being 1-2, they have lost to two really good teams. It's still their conference to lose and I expect them to blow through the Big 12 and finish the season at 9-3 overall and 8-1 in conference. Not good enough for the playoffs but good enough to win the Big 12.

Kansas State, Texas Tech and Oklahoma State will win their share of Big 12 games and they might even upset one of the upper teams, but nothing to get excited about. Remember, a team with a 6-6 record is still bowl eligible.

Iowa State and Kansas round out the conference and these two will battle for the cellar. Right now, that looks like Kansas who still seems to be overmatched

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Upgrade your home without a full renovation

(Family Features) Remodeling your home can be a big, and oftentimes, overwhelming project, but it doesn't always have to be. Sometimes all you really need is a fresh coat of paint or smaller upgrades. If you're not looking to do a whole home renovation, and just want to give your interior a little pick-me-up, consider revamping colors, textures and your home appliances with these simple tips from Mitsubishi Electric Cooling & Heating.

Color Is Key

Daring patterns and color combos are gaining favor in homes across the

country, especially in the most used room in the house – the kitchen. Give your kitchen a fresh, new look by taking a multi-toned cabinetry approach. Apply different shades to your upper and lower cabinets to create a completely new feel. Opting for colored cabinets, as opposed to a stain, helps develop a broader palette for the space and produces an identifiable color scheme. A similar approach can be taken for kitchens with islands. Make your island the focal point by opting for a vibrantly colored base or countertop.

When it comes to your counter-



tops and backsplashes, you can also achieve a standout look with a high-contrast approach. Pair deeply colored counters or backsplashes with more subtly hued cabinets and flooring to make a dramatic statement.

Blend In

Whether your style is big and bold or clean and minimalistic, creating a cohesive look for a space is important. Oftentimes, outdated home appliances get in the way of an otherwise seamless home design. A simple home appliance upgrade can easily change the overall style of a room for the better.

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A Little Texture Goes a Long Way

Also take into consideration textures and materials – tile and stone are the norm, but unexpected pairings such as brick and butcher block can lend a whole new level of style.

These simple details can make a drastic difference in the feel of your home, no matter what room in the house you're sprucing up. In the kitchen or bathroom, choosing the right style and

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Worship Service - 9:00 a.m.
Contacts: Logan Barnett 785-597-5498,
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It's going to be freakishly great night in NOTO on October 22! Starting at 5:00 p.m. the streets will close in the 800 and 900 blocks of N Kansas Avenue, and gates will open for people to enjoy a fun Halloween Street Fair. Admission is \$5 at the gate (kids under age 10 are free). A lot will be going on, including these Special Events:

- Live entertainment including Urban Safari - Bring lawn chairs for comfort.
- 5K Freakish Fun Run/Walk starts at 3 p.m. (for more details visit fiercelifewellness.com)
- Costume Contest for kids and adults
- Lazer Tag
- Pumpkin Carving Contest
- Street Vendors



HALLOWEEN STREET FAIR IN NOTO
 OCT 22
 DISTANCE CONTEST
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 5PM-MIDNIGHT
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 NOTO ARTS DISTRICT
 800-900 BLOCKS OF NORTH KANSAS AVE

- Trick or Treating (12 and under)
- Carnival Kids Activities

North Topeka offers a variety of activities

The North Topeka area has many activities and events going on in the coming month. Here are a few more scheduled events:

NOTO MARKET ON FIRST FRIDAYS - NOTO arts district. Enjoy arts, antiques, fine crafts, and flea market items. Don't forget the First Friday Art Walk, a monthly event where the NOTO arts district enables visitors to enjoy arts, antiques, fine crafts, and flea market items. Entertainment is also available at many of the venues.

North Topeka hosts First Friday like no other place in Topeka! Topeka Arts District has become an attraction to Art Lovers and History Buffs alike with beautiful scenes of art and history. The restaurants, locally owned shops, art galleries and studios have become a favorite art walk destination.

Two blocks of historic buildings are bubbling with artists, arts, crafts and creative items to keep you entertained and wanting to bring a piece of the NOTO Arts District home with you.

SUNRISE OPTIMIST CLUB - Meets every Tue., 6:30am, Sunrise Optimist Complex, 720 NW 50th St. For info: Gary, 246-1291.

MOTHER TERESA'S FARMERS MARKET - Saturdays 8:30-11:30am, Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church 2014 NW 46th St.

SENIOR FIT & FUN PROGRAM - every Mon., Wed., & Fri., 1:30pm, Rolling Hills Christian Church, 4530 NW Hiawatha Place (US Hwy 75 & NW 46th St.) 785286-060 or office@rhctoepka.org

HARVEST HOMECOMING - Oct. 15, 5:30pm, Family Life Church of the Nazarene, 1211 NW 46th St. Featuring The Wrights, Dusty Workman and 4 His Love. \$5 suggested donation. Food & concessions available.

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS STREET FAIR - Oct. 8, 12-5pm. NOTO Arts District.

TOPEKA NORTH OUTREACH FALL FESTIVAL - Oct. 1, Seaman Community Church, 2036 N.W. Taylor. Breakfast 7:30-10am, Lunch 11am-2pm. Silent Auction Baskets & more.

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Check out these Special Events for October!

Many more community events listed in our **EVENT CALENDAR** inside, beginning on page 13!


To be included, email your events to voice@cox.net



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All pastors are invited to attend at no charge. They will also receive gift bags of items donated by C5 member organizations.

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