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Are We Not Getting Because We Aren't Asking?

As we've noted previously and as you may recall, in March we hosted a Pastors' Day at the Capitol. This was a wonderful day of ministry for those who were able to attend, as 129 copies of the unique *Founders' Bible* were delivered to the offices of our state representatives and senators. A lot of gospel "seed sowing" occurred on this historic occasion! But we did not view this day as a "one-and-done" kind of effort. Not in the least!

The goal of the Church Ambassador Network is to facilitate pastors connecting with legislators to develop redemptive relationships with them and to be praying with and for them on a regular basis.



"I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior; Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth." I Timothy 2:1-4.

As I ponder this passage, I am reminded of what James said in James 4:2, "...yet ye have not, because ye ask not." Is it possible that we don't have more elected officials who are truly Christians because we aren't asking for the salvation of their souls in prayer?

I encourage you, if you are not already doing so, to pray on a regular basis ***in your services*** for our elected officials, and by name for whoever your state representative and senator are. And pray for their families, too.

Recently in the Capitol I spoke to a newly elected representative and shared I had prayed for her. She thanked me and said she wished her own pastor were more interested and involved. I don't know if her frustration was warranted or not. But would you agree that, at the very least, our elected officials should know we are praying for them and their families, by name? Paul's exhortation to Timothy is very clear and explicit. How well are we practicing it?



After praying for your elected officials, maybe you would like to drop them a note of encouragement and let them know you prayed for them? For many, it might be a welcome "breath of fresh air," so to speak, compared to the kinds of communications they typically receive.

May the Lord bless you as you continue in faithful in service to Him.

In Christ,

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PS: Wisconsin Family Council has published and distributed our *2019-2020 Legislative Directory*. You should have received a copy by mail in April. I encourage you to use it as a prayer reminder (as well as a source of directory

information for all of the elected officials in our state). If you don't have a copy, please contact our office, and we will send you one.

Find WFC's Church Ambassador Network resources [HERE](#).

Download a pdf of WFC's 2019-2020 *Legislative Directory* [HERE](#). (Request a hard copy by emailing info@wifamilycouncil.org or by calling 888-378-7395.)

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