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### The Battle is Real

Dear Pastor,

When we enter the Capitol in Madison, we are aware that we go there to engage in spiritual warfare. Paul reminds us that “though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds” (II Cor. 10:3-4).

Every “battle” that takes place in our Capitol has a spiritual dimension. The prince of the power of the air is intent on destroying life before it is born, and failing that, on ruining lives of children (witness the transgender activism that has swept our country). There are good men and women serving in our Capitol who desperately need the support and encouragement that comes from our prayers on their behalf. Some of these men and women deal with heavy family burdens in addition to the pressures that come from serving in elected office.



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And for those many legislators who do not know the Lord, they need our prayers that God will work in their hearts and lives to bring conviction of sin and repentance before God. There is no hope for anyone outside of faith in Jesus; so these folks need our prayers to the God who “desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth” (I Tim. 2:4).

So we urge you once again to continue praying for your elected officials. We also continue to invite you to come to the Capitol with us to visit them where they work and serve you and your church family. Sign up for their weekly or monthly newsletters so you can pray more knowledgeably for them. Arrange a meeting with them for coffee when they are home “in district” and share Scripture and pray with them. Call the office and ask to speak with him/her and offer to pray for him while you are on the phone. Trust us—they almost all of them would prefer that kind of call to one from an irate constituent.

Pray for them publicly in your worship services. We are commanded to pray for those “who are in authority over us” (I Tim 2:1). Doing so sets a good example for your church family to do the same. As the spiritual battles intensify—and all appearances indicate they are and will continue to do so—the prayers of God’s people become even more important. The battle is real. May we, by God’s grace, wage it in the ways He has directed us to do.

In Christ,



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P.S. Speaking of praying, we encourage you to pray this week for the following legislators: Rep. Marisabel Cabrera, Milwaukee; Rep. Calvin Callahan, Tomahawk; Rep. Lisa Subeck, Madison.

P.P.S: We also pray for the staffers of our legislators. A couple of weeks ago, one our Christian legislators almost literally dragged us into the office and asked us to pray specifically for the salvation of the staffer working in that office. Would you pray for his salvation? We left him with a gospel tract that day. May God’s Word accomplish its purposes in this man’s life!

P.P.P.S. Please join us for Wisconsin Family Council's "Lunch with a Purpose" noon webinar on Monday, May 8, featuring WFC President Julaine Appling and Family Research Council President Tony Perkins. May 8, 2023, marks the one-year anniversary since our office was firebombed because of the leaked *Dobbs* opinion. Join us to hear how God has used this attack for His glory and to get updates on the pro-life movement. You can sign up for the webinar [HERE](#).