



## CWA of California Marriage Update

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### Ready, Set, Go!!

If you haven't ordered petitions yet, please contact the coalition and obtain forms for your church or other group. We need to gather 600,000 valid signatures in just 150 days, so don't wait!



**The language is simple.** *A marriage between a man and a woman is the only legal union that shall be valid or recognized in this state. "The voters of California must re-assert their will once and for all by defining marriage as between a man and a woman in the state constitution itself,"* said Pete Henderson, chairman of the ProtectMarriage.com coalition executive committee.

**The time is now.** AB 849, legalizing same-sex "marriage" is headed toward the State Senate floor and Atty. Gen. Bill Lockyer is trying to fast track pending same-sex "marriage" cases. "Given the eroding of Proposition 22 (a law approved by voters in 2000 to define marriage as between a man and a woman), now is the time to move forward," stated State Senator Dennis Hollingsworth, ProtectMarriage.com coalition member and president of the Proposition 22 Legal Defense and Education Fund.

### Prayer Points:

Pray that the value of marriage between one man and one woman will be truthfully conveyed and the danger of redefining marriage will be clearly understood by the people of our state. *The heart of the discerning acquires knowledge; the ears of the wise seek it out. (Proverbs 18: 15)*

Pray for God's protection over members of the coalition and their families. Pray for the safety of all petition-gathering efforts. *For surely, O Lord, You bless the righteous, You surround them with Your favor as with a shield. (Psalm 5: 12)*

### Obtain Petitions:

Petitions are available online at [www.protectmarriage.com](http://www.protectmarriage.com) now! These downloadable forms will accommodate five signatures. For longer forms to be used with churches and other groups, please request petitions through the coalition [Web site](#) or call (916) 446-5031.

*Please do not make copies of the petition forms. Doing so may disqualify the signatures. Use ONLY originals.*

[Visit the coalition Web site.](#)

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