



Informing, Inspiring and On the Move!

A Word From Our State Director

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Calendar of Events:

February 22
40 Days for Life
Prayer Vigil

March 31
STAND STRONG
TOGETHER Conference

April/May/June
Encourage-A-Legislator
Campaign

May 3
National Day of Prayer

May 8
North Carolina Primary

More information inside!

On February 14, husbands and wives and sweethearts celebrate love for each other in a special way. In the Bible, I Corinthians 13: 13 says, “And now abide faith, hope, love these three; but the greatest of these is love.” Yet, last week, the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals declared Proposition 8 in California unconstitutional, illustrating once again how judges across the nation are going against the will of the people by taking it into their own hands to redefine marriage. **We cannot stand by while activist judges and legislators redefine marriage for all of society.** That’s why your prayers, actions and votes on May 8 will protect the current definition of marriage as the union between one man and one woman in our state constitution. The proposed Marriage Amendment will protect North Carolina from being in the same position as California by not granting any legal recognition of same-sex relationships which could be overturned in court.

In our great state, marriage

is under assault by the culture. It is crucial that pastors and the Church are equipped to combat a culture that attacks the traditional value of marriage, family and the sanctity of life. Christians must stand together to define marriage as the union between one man and one woman

Register now to attend the STAND STRONG TOGETHER Conference on March 31 in Charlotte. “When My people called by My name humble themselves and prayer...” (2 Chronicles 7:14). Pastors, Church congregations, leaders, ministries and coalitions will be equipped by outstanding guest speakers to resound as one voice for His Truth, defining marriage as between one man and one woman from the pulpit to the public square, at the poles in May and November.

What an amazing team we are as we serve the Lord together as a “city on the hill that cannot be hidden” (Matthew 5:16).



National Legislative Update

Support the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act

Reps. Jeff Fortenberry (R-Nebraska) and Dan Lipinske (D-Illinois) have introduced the Respect for Right of Conscience Act, H.R. 1179 (Senate bill is S. 1467). This legislation amends ObamaCare “to permit health care plans the ability to decline coverage of specific items and/or services that are contrary to religious beliefs of the sponsor, issuer, or other entity offering the plan or the purchaser or beneficiary (in the case of individual

coverage) without penalty.”

You can make a difference!

Pray: That Congress will act to prevent the Department of Health and Human Services from removing religious liberties guaranteed by the Constitution. Pray that millions of Americans will not be forced to compromise their beliefs with a subsidy contrary to their moral convictions.

Take Action: Please call your

senator and representative and urge them to support the Respect for Rights of Conscience Act.

[Click here](#) to find out who your representatives are.

202-225-3121 to contact representatives and senators.

202-456-1414 to contact the White House and President Obama.



State Legislative Update

Vigilance to Protect Marriage in North Carolina

Senator James Forrester fought for eight years for the passage of the North Carolina Marriage Amendment. The North Carolina General Assembly passed Senator Forrester’s bill on September 12, 2011, which ensures that the people of North Carolina have an opportunity to vote in May on the definition of marriage as between one man and one women.

You can make a difference!

Pray: That God will open the yes of our His people called by His Name to pray and to vote for the passage of the North Carolina Marriage Amendment in May. Pray that pastors, church leaders, ministries

and coalitions will attend the STAND STRONG TOGETHER Conference, equipped in public policy from the pulpit to the voting polls.

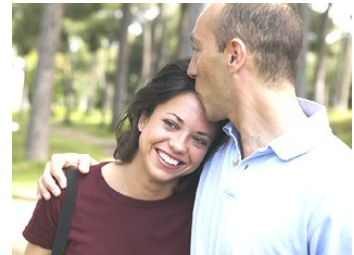
Take Action:

- Speak the Truth in love (Ephesians 4:4). This is not a partisan issue; this is a moral and cultural issue. Marriage is defined in God’s Word as between one man and one women. Homosexuals may choose to live as partners as they please, but they do not have the right to redefine marriage for the rest of North Carolinians
- Have organized prayer and fasting sessions from

now through May 8

- Talk to your pastor and ask him to preach a sermon on Biblical marriage
- Make your family, friends, neighbors and business associates aware of the importance of the Marriage Amendment to the state of North Carolina
- Write letters to the editor (for writing points, see www.nc.cwfa)

Paid for by Vote FOR Marriage NC



Calendar of Events



February 22 CWA of North Carolina Joins 40 Days for Life

Please join Concerned Women for America of North Carolina at the Asheville, Charlotte, Raleigh, Winston-Salem and Wilmington locations, on Wednesday, February 22, 2012, as we stand together, pray, and fast to bring an end to abortion in America, trusting God to heal our land.

The 40 Days for Life spring campaign runs, February 22 through April 1, 2012.

[Click here](#) for more information about 40 Days for Life and prayer vigil locations near you. Bring family and invite a friend!

The Charlotte location:
Family Reproductive Health
700 E. Hebron
Charlotte, NC 28273

STAND STRONG TOGETHER Conference



Equipping Pastors and the Church body to influence public policy from the pulpit to the public square

North Carolina's Saturday, March 31, 2012, Conference, "Stand, Strong, Together" from the Pulpit to the Public Square. This free conference will be held at First Baptist Church Charlotte, 7:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. This Conference will inform and encourage pastors and the Church body to influence public policy as salt and light. A major focus of the STAND STRONG TOGETHER Conference will be to motivate the Church body, through prayer and action, to vote in May to define marriage as between one man and one woman.

Please spread the word to pastors and to church leaders, ministries and coalitions to attend this conference. [Click here](#) for more information.

We are blessed to have the following conference speakers and guests:

The Honorable Representative Ruth Samuelson
Dr. Mark Harris
Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church Charlotte
Dr. Frank Turek
Founder & President of CrossExamined.Org
Dr. Mark Creech, NC Christian Action League
Tami Fitzgerald, Executive Director of NC Values Coalition
Mario Diaz, CWA Legal Counsel
Mary Frances Forrester, CWA Associate State Director
Janet Critz, Indian Trail Councilwoman
Jessica Anderson
Director of NC's Heritage Action Foundation
Leslie Beaver, Singer/Motivational Speaker

March 31 STAND STRONG TOGETHER Conference

Hotel Conference Rate
Deadline is March 2

Conference
Registration Deadline
is March 10

Prayer and preparation is
underway for Concerned
Women for America of



April, May & June Encourage-A- Legislator Campaign

More than ever our legislators need your prayers. Because CWA believes prayer is crucial to revival and restoration of our nation to God's righteousness, we thank you for prayerfully considering participation in our Encourage-A-Legislator Campaign for the 2012 North Carolina Legislative session, April, May, June, 2012. Should you agree you will receive an assigned legislator's name and address with a postcard for each of the three months of the campaign. We are excited to see what God will do in the hearts and minds of our state legislators as we pray for them each day and encourage them through our monthly postcards.

[Contact us](#) today to sign up!



May 3 National Day of Prayer Service

"One Nation Under God." Plan now to attend the National Day of Prayer noon prayer service on May 3 at First Baptist Church Charlotte, 301 South Davidson Street, Charlotte, NC 28202.



May 8 The North Carolina Primary

Pray that "His people called by His Name" (II Chronicles 7:14) will pray and take action to vote to define marriage as between one man and one woman.

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WANTED:

Individuals Desiring to Join With Others in Prayer & Action

There are over 500 Prayer/Action Chapter Leaders in the nation.

We have chapters in Bryson City, Cary, Charlotte, East Flat Rock, Fayetteville, Garner, Hertford, Monroe, Raleigh, Southern Pines, Stanley and Wake Forest.

Please consider starting or visiting a Prayer/Action Chapter in North Carolina.

Contact us Today!

Find out more information about a CWA Prayer/Action Chapter in your area by contacting us at director@northcarolina.cwfa.org or give us a call at (704) 542-6984.

[Click here](#) to find out about starting a chapter and then contact us.

We look forward to hearing from you!

The CWA Pro-Life Polo Shirt



You believe in God's love and truth. Let the Mother-Child Redemption picture say how precious the sanctity of human life is. Buy it on eBay: Pro-Life Polo

CWA "Supports Life" Polo Shirts Available

You can now order on Ebay! Don't miss the chance to speak for the sanctity of human life and to impact those around you. Join us in praying that the hearts of fathers and mothers will be turned to the children.

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