



Christmas 2014

Dear Friends,

Our founding fathers pledged to each other their life, their honor, and their sacred trust as they established a nation where their families could honor Jesus Christ in every aspect of their life. This year, as we are celebrating the birth of our Savior, we see the cultural abyss sinking our nation and state. Is anyone doing anything?

The Texas family of Concerned Women for America is running hard to stay ahead of the array of challenging public policy issues active in our state – from immigration to religious liberties, from life to education, from gender identity to pornography.

- Our members have endorsed conservative candidates who are loyal to Biblical family values and supported them in their campaigns. Our Legislative Action Committee helped vet these candidates.
- In meetings across the state (Lufkin, Beaumont, The Woodlands, Sugarland, Fredericksburg, San Angelo, Lubbock, Amarillo, Bedford, Hurst and Dallas) our leaders presented CWA's position on our seven core issues.
- Our leadership has spoken prominently on the travesty of the subpoena of pastors' sermons in Houston.
- We have protested the construction of the new planned parenthood clinic in San Antonio.
- We have alerted citizens about the attempt to pervert our children's education at the State Board of Education textbook selection session.
- We have filed an *amicus* brief with the 5<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals in support of HB 2, the Omnibus Pro-life legislation of 2013.
- We have conducted training sessions for high school and college students and distributed CWA literature.
- We are working with legislators on legislation for the upcoming session.
- We have brought in speakers such as Rafael Cruz, speaking on national issues; Ryan Anderson, author of *What is Marriage*; and Kalev Myers, Founder of the Jerusalem Institute of Justice, to address the issues to hundreds of our members and guests.
- We have recruited and trained new CWA state leadership.

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The opportunities in the next few months to bring our conservative, Biblical values to influence public policy and legislation are huge. Your partnership in this work is vital if we are to continue.

- Your help will enable us to produce cards and materials for encouraging our legislators through our Encourage-A-Legislator campaign.
- Your help will enable us to train our staff in Austin to be vigorous advocates during the session.
- Your help will provide travel accommodations for our volunteers as they meet the challenges in Austin and other cities across Texas.
- Your help will produce CWA literature for distribution in our Chapters across the state.
- Your help will help us provide a dinner in Austin with Texas legislators where we can build relationships.
- Your help will make sure that your values are vigorously represented in public policies in your home town and across Texas.

Please pray for us and send as generous a Christmas gift as possible to the address below. Or, if you would like, [contribute online](#). Your gift in any amount will be appreciated!

Together in His work,

*Ann Hettinger*

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