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**The Praise Center of Monroe Presents
Award-Winning Film, “One Generation Away”
*Followed by Question and Answer Session with
Congressman Jody Hice and
Film Director Ken Carpenter*
Docu-drama warns of dangers to America’s religious liberties.**

The Praise Center of Monroe, an official EchoLight Cinemas partner location, will present the award-winning film “One Generation Away” on Monday evening, October 19th. Winner of 5 Dove Awards and awarded Best Documentary in the 2015 Christian Worldview Film Festival, this timely movie reveals how quickly First Amendment freedoms can disappear if Americans do not remain vigilant to defend them. The event starts at 6:30 PM and runs until 8:30 PM, including a question and answer session with Congressman Jody Hice and Director Ken Carpenter. Other legislators from the Georgia House and Georgia Senate may also attend if their schedules permit.

“One Generation Away” is a joint production between Echolight Studios and American Family Studios. Exploring both sides of the religious freedom debate, “One Generation Away” focuses on seven cases of religious freedom disputes throughout the United States: the Mt. Soledad Veteran’s Memorial in San Diego, wedding service providers in Oregon and Washington, Hobby Lobby, chaplaincy in the military, as well as two education cases with a collegiate counseling program, and high school cheerleaders in Kountze, Texas.

Each case presents both sides of the issue and reflects on how the First Amendment, Free Exercise Clause, Equal Protection Clause, and Religious Freedom Restoration Act are interpreted and applied.

“Our nation is quickly approaching a very critical point in the crisis on religious liberty,” stated Pastor Russell Davis. “We have a unique heritage of religious freedom that is the foundation stone of all our rights. Our Founders did everything possible to pass this great birthright to us. What we do now, in our generation, will set the course for the next generation. Like those who went before us, we must understand the times and take appropriate action to become informed and involved in the political issues of our day.”

More than 70 interviews are included in the film. From politicians, thought leaders, business leaders, to religious leaders and opposing sides of freedom advocates, including Mike Huckabee (2016 presidential candidate), Tony Perkins (Family Research Council), Jennifer Marshall and Ryan Anderson (The Heritage Foundation), Todd Starnes (Fox News), Rick Santorum (former U.S. Senator), Barry Lynn (Americans United for Separation of Church and State), James McElroy (American Civil Liberties Union), Robbie George (Princeton University), and numerous others.

"We're honored to partner with The Praise Center of Monroe to show what we believe is one of the most important films of our time," said Jeff Sheets, president of EchoLight. "One Generation Away clearly presents the complex perspective on important religious liberty issues that the average Christian American doesn't think about every day. It is our desire that this film will bring more attention to the critical times we are facing and help Americans open their eyes to the reality that we are indeed closer than ever before to losing the religious freedoms that our ancestors so bravely fought to obtain."

"I am very grateful that EchoLight and The Praise Center are partnering together to bring this film to Walton County and I appreciate being invited to talk about what we are doing in Congress to protect religious liberty," stated U.S. Rep. Jody Hice (R-GA 10th CD). "I am proud to support legislation, such as the First Amendment Defense Act (H.R. 2802) sponsored by my good friend and Freedom Caucus colleague, U.S. Rep. Raul Labrador, and you can be confident that, as a former pastor, I will continue to fight tirelessly to defend this fundamental Constitutional right."

Sen. Bill Cowser (R-Athens), who voted for the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) last year in the Georgia Senate, hopes many of his constituents will attend the screening and become more informed about the need to protect religious liberty. "I am glad that a church in my district is showing this film in an effort to educate our community about this issue," stated Sen. Cowser. "Although I cannot attend due to a previous speaking engagement, I am most appreciative that Congressman Hice will be there to discuss how current legislative efforts can help safeguard the free exercise of religion for the next generation."

For more information about "One Generation Away," watch the trailer at www.onegenerationawaymovie.com. Tickets are not necessary to attend because the event is free, but for directions or further local information, call The Praise Center at (770) 267-7834. The church is located at 1857 US-78, Monroe, GA 30655. The event begins at 6:30 PM on Monday, October 19th.

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