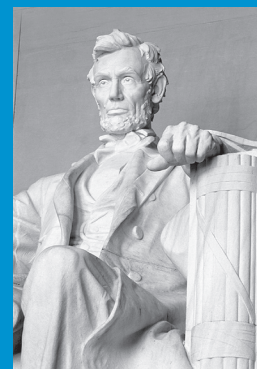
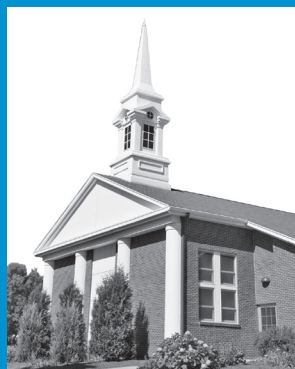




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**A**s I watch progressives, socialists, Marxists and other anti-family forces work to transform the culture of our state and nation, as I talk to lawmakers and citizens — even Christians — who are persuaded by these fallacious arguments, I often think of the words of the prophet Hosea, who said, “My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge.” (4:6)

*Merry Christmas*



from the **Executive Director — David E. Smith**

The fourth chapter of Hosea details God’s indictment of Israel for wandering away from the knowledge of Him. That same indictment could be leveled against our own society. In our world today, Truth is neither prized nor sought; Almighty God is ignored or outright rejected; marriage and family are being dismantled, perverted, and redefined; and education has become a tool for propagandizing our children in the philosophy of secular humanism! What our society needs, and needs desperately, is God’s Truth — for by our ignorance of it, we are subverting the American culture.

We must acknowledge the fact that our society is experiencing a crisis — a crisis caused by ignoring Truth and dismissing God and His principles. When we choose to downplay the importance of Truth-based laws and public policy, we do so at our peril. Wrong-minded policy only serves to promote and perpetuate destructive lies and oppression. Unless our policies and laws are undergirded by Truth, they will ultimately damage and destroy society. We do not have to look very far to see the terrible consequences of such willful ignorance. Other nations, who once embraced Judeo-Christian values, have abandoned their godly heritage, reaping disastrous results; the United States is in danger of following down that same calamitous path.

If we genuinely believe in and order our lives in obedience to the God of Absolute Truth, we cannot be comfortable in a society that denies Truth and espouses relativism. Furthermore, if we naively suppose that Christians will be allowed to exist in some sort of safe haven, undisturbed by those who are offended and threatened by our adherence to concepts of right and wrong and faith in Jesus, we are fooling ourselves. Even now, Christians are admonished to keep silent concerning our opposition to immorality and the flawed philosophy that all truth is relative. Unless we are willing to take a bold stand for Truth, the day will come when we will find ourselves forcibly compelled to not just tolerate, but embrace and even celebrate the lies espoused in a society where everyone does what is right in their own eyes. To ensure that our children and grandchildren will enjoy the rights and freedoms that we hold dear — the same rights and freedoms on which our nation was founded — we must be willing to advocate for Truth in every area of government and society.



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# The Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA)

In Washington D.C., where four elected officials should be hard at work trying to get people back to work and the economy humming again, they are instead placating a well-funded special interest group by attempting to disassemble the institution of marriage.



The Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) has stood as federal law since 1996, when bipartisan majorities of both the House and Senate, as well as President **Bill Clinton**, worked together to define marriage at the federal level as the union of one man and one woman, and protect each state from the rogue marriage laws of others.

Not satisfied with simply erasing “Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell” (DADT) from the U.S. military, liberals are continuing their fight to reshape our values and the very foundation of the family by advancing a radical political agenda. With DADT no longer in place, those who self-identify as homosexual feel even more empowered to fight for special benefits. They are now concentrating their attention on overturning DOMA, and they have found a Democrat-controlled U.S. Senate that is willing to do their bidding.

Though there are no less than 11 challenges to the federal marriage law currently in the U.S. court system, liberals in the U.S. Senate are seeking the repeal of DOMA to open the doors for the federal government to recognize same-sex “marriage.” If they succeed in repealing DOMA, all 50 states would be forced to recognize same-sex “marriage” from other states, making this counterfeit form of marriage the law of the land.

On November 3<sup>rd</sup>, the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee voted to advance the misnamed “Respect of Marriage Act” to repeal DOMA to the full Senate. (The bill number is S. 598.) Illinois’ senior U.S. Senator, **Dick Durbin**, is a co-sponsor of this anti-marriage legislation.

In the U.S. Senate, however, Democrats are expected to have a more difficult task to muster the votes to overcome an expected Republican filibuster. Illinois’ junior U.S. Senator, **Mark Kirk**, will be a critical vote in maintaining a filibuster. PLEASE take just two minutes to call his office to ask him to support DOMA and oppose any effort to repeal it. His D.C. office number is: **202-224-2854**. ❄

## FDA Panel Recommends HPV Vaccine for Boys

A controversial vaccine for the sexually-transmitted human papilloma virus (HPV) has been recommended by the FDA for young girls for several years. A government panel is now telling the FDA it should recommend the vaccine for boys as well.

The vaccine has been approved for use in males for two years, but has seen very low usage rates. Usage rate among girls has also been lower than expected. Experts say costs and “misconceptions” about the vaccine are a likely reason.

The vaccine has been in the news lately because presidential hopeful **Rick Perry** issued an Executive Order as governor of Texas requiring young girls to have the vaccine. The Texas Legislature overturned the order and Perry has since said he was mistaken in issuing it. A similar effort in Illinois to mandate the vaccine’s use was defeated through IFT’s intervention.

IFT believes the decision to receive this vaccine should lie with parents only — not mandates by public officials or government agencies. This is not a disease that is spread through casual contact. The only way a person can get HPV is through sexual contact. ❄



Rick Perry

## New Website Launch coming soon...



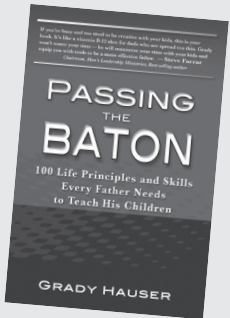
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# Passing the Baton – *Ideas for Dads*

A continuing series of articles by Grady Hauser, author of *Passing the Baton — 100 Life Principles and Skills Every Father Needs to Teach His Children.*



Three models for teaching our kids how to pray. How many of us have created an opportunity to talk with our kids about what prayer really is, and to give them some handles they can understand and remember? Whether at bedtime or another quiet moment, try these three models:

- 1. Thanking, Praising, Asking.** Everyone takes just one of these themes and when you’ve all prayed, you will have come closer to a balanced Christ-like prayer. Then switch it around tomorrow night.
- 2. Conversational.** Guide the children to praying two, three, maybe four times in short, one-thought prayers. After a few minutes, thoughtful participation will have come in small, easily learned bites.
- 3. Praying the Scripture.** Read a verse or two, then pray a short response to that verse.

For example, Isaiah 41:10: “So do not fear for I am with you, do not be dismayed for I am your God.” Prayer: “Lord, thanks that I don’t ever have to be afraid, because you are the great God, and you love me.”

Dad, remember to also explain that prayer is not a mechanical formula, but an interactive conversation.

- Personal Presence.** What is it about some people who seem to have a more commanding presence than others? They aren’t proud or arrogant — that would be easily spotted. No, they just seem to have a strong and often quiet personal confidence. We all want this for our children regardless of their age. Here are five simple tangibles that can be practiced and learned, with remarkable results for our kids.
- 1. Eye Contact.** The ability to look steadily into someone’s eyes during a conversation speaks louder than our words. It says you have nothing to hide. Remember the 4-second rule: Look into someone’s eyes while counting to four during a conversation. It will dramatically affect any conversation between student and adult.
- 2. Handshake.** Offering a handshake that is genuine and appropriately firm will work wonders in any student/adult interaction.
- 3. Walking Speed.** Do you walk with purpose and direction, or do you shuffle along? Play the walking game with younger children when observing others in public settings. Where are those people going and what are they doing? Even children can intuitively read body language.

- 4. Speak Up.** It’s hard to hear someone who timidly offers their words, but even worse, it advertises their lack of personal confidence. A teenager may be fearful to speak in a public setting, but if they have learned and practiced “speaking up”, they will command much more respect from their listeners.
  - 5. Smile.** Perhaps most important of all, a genuine smile contributes to our own self-confidence, and to the responsiveness of everyone we meet. A smile says: “I like you, I like this situation and I’m comfortable here”.
- These elements are true for adults, but even more so for teens and children. They can open the door for their own self-confidence and for the receptivity of others. ❄

For an expanded look at these principles, or to order the book, email: [info@baton100.com](mailto:info@baton100.com)

**Grady Hauser** will be speaking at the *Iron Sharpens Iron* men’s conferences:

Chicago: 2-25-12  
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## from the Executive Director — David E. Smith (continued...)

We might feel powerless against the modern day Goliaths who mock our beliefs and seek to deny Truth by their base perversion of our culture, but there are many in Illinois, Christians and non-Christians, who are disgusted by the immorality, corruption and blatant disregard for the will of the people that has become the norm among our leaders, policymakers, and society in general. We are not alone, and most importantly, we know that the Lord stands with us!

In spite of the lack of knowledge and reverence for Truth today, we can look forward with confidence to a coming government that will not be corrupt. Isaiah 9:6-7 tells us:

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given;  
And the government will be upon His shoulder.  
And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor,  
Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end,  
Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom,  
To order it and establish it with judgment and justice  
From that time forward, even forever.  
The zeal of the Lord of Hosts will perform this.

Thanks be to God who has opened our eyes to His Truth, giving us faith and strength to meet the trials of this age and glorious hope for the perfect day that is to come! ❄



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# Seven Billion People: a Curse or a Blessing?

by Pastor James McDonald of Providence Church in Morton, IL  
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**On October 31, 2011, Danica May Camacho was born in the Philippines and given the title of the earth's 7,000,000,000th inhabitant.**

**But some are not celebrating. "Experts" warn of food shortage, damage to the environment, accelerated climate change, energy shortage, increased illiteracy, the mistreatment of women and the "marginal" in society; and even the prospect of another global war.**



Danica May Camacho,  
7,000,000,000th inhabitant

Radical activists are even calling for policies to reduce the world's population to 2 billion. *And how will they do that?*

It is true that man causes much heartache, pain, and destruction — from the robber barons of the 18th century to the terrorist activities of the 21st century, resulting in mayhem on every continent.

Would fewer people really mean a kinder, safer, more peaceful world? No. The issue is not in the number; the issue is the heart. The Bible defines the real

problem:

"The fool has said in his heart, 'There is no God.' They are corrupt, and have done abominable iniquity; there is none who does good. God looks down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there are any who understand, who seek God. Every one of them has turned aside; they have together become corrupt; there is none who does good, no, not one." (Psalm 53:1-3)

Jesus said that it is "what comes out of a man that defiles a man. For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lewdness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness." (Mark 7:20-22) The issue again is not the number; it is the sinful hearts that manifest in sinful actions.

The Bible declares that children are gifts from God (Psalm 127:3-5) and not accidents of biology. The birth of each child is God decreed. He is the one who formed them in the womb. (Psalm 139:13-14) God is not surprised by the number of people on the planet. He ordained it!

Not worried about overpopulation, God commands us to, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth." (Genesis 1:28)

Comparing 7 billion people to the world's land mass, every person could live comfortably in Texas with 1065 square feet per person, leaving the rest of the globe for food, energy, and water production.

But God wants more than just children; He wants godly seed! (Malachi 2:15) Godly seed are people who will proclaim Jesus as their Savior and Lord, live for others and reach out to the hurting, lonely, and forsaken. They welcome the call to serve others according to God's Word.

They manage the resources God has given us, making sure that fresh water, healthy food, and suitable housing are

available for even the most destitute.

They seek out the mysteries of Creation, leveraging scientific discovery for the betterment of mankind and the growth of the Kingdom of God. Godly seed invest themselves in the arts, music, literature, architecture, healing the sick, literature, and in film to point the world to God's beauty.

Jesus taught us to pray that His Kingdom come, His will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. This prayer becomes reality as we see godly seed expand across the face of this globe.

How do we get there? When we believe that God is sovereign, He is at work, His plan will not be thwarted, and even now,

**The news of 7 billion people should not bring Christians undue fear; it should bring excitement that we not only get to see the Lord work before our eyes ...**

He is shaking down the nations (Haggai 2:7) until the time that the knowledge of the glory of the Lord covers the earth like the waters cover the sea. (Habakkuk 2:14)

The news of 7 billion people should not bring Christians undue fear; it should bring excitement that we not only get to see the Lord work before our eyes, but that we have the privilege to participate in this great adventure!

"The nations shall know that I am the Lord," says the Lord God, "when I am hallowed in you before their eyes." (Ezekiel 36:23) \*



James McDonald

# Employees of Abortion Clinic Enter Guilty Pleas

**Two employees of a late-term abortion clinic in Philadelphia have pleaded guilty to crimes involving the murder of preborn children.**

The two women were employees at the Family Medical Society facility operated by **Kermit Gosnell**. That clinic has been described by authorities as a "house of horrors" and a "human slaughterhouse."

*LifeNews* reports that **Adrienne Moton** was charged by federal prosecutors with murder, conspiracy, racketeering, and corruption in relation to the death of a viable unborn child aborted at Gosnell's clinic.

Moton was administering anesthesia to women undergoing abortions despite the fact she had no medical credentials to do so.

**Sherry West** has also plead guilty in relation to the death of Karnamaya Mongar, who died at Gosnell's clinic after a botched abortion. West faces third-degree murder charges in Mongar's death. Mongar had reportedly been given excessive amounts of Demerol, which sent her into fatal cardiac arrest.

Gosnell is awaiting trial on eight counts of murder involving Mongar's death and that of seven infants who were killed after being born alive. Gosnell, who has no obstetrical training, delivered preborn children in the sixth, seventh, and eighth months of pregnancy, and then killed the infants by slicing into the back of their necks with scissors and severing their spinal cords.

A grand jury report revealed a ghastly setting at the Philadelphia abortion clinic, which had not been inspected by the state of Pennsylvania for years. Fetal remains were found in milk



jugs and cat-food containers, and the severed feet of aborted children were found in jars lining several shelves. The clinic included bloody floors, blood-stained furniture, and reeked of urine.

Gosnell continued to practice despite the fact that he had been the subject



Kermit Gosnell

of 46 malpractice lawsuits, many of them involving cases where he perforated women's uteruses or bowels, or where he failed to remove all the body parts of an aborted child. The grand jury report states that Gosnell also passed venereal diseases from patient to patient through the use of bloody and unsterilized instruments.

Gosnell's clinic was located in an impoverished neighborhood of Philadelphia. Media reports suggest that many of the abortions were performed on minorities, immigrants, and poor women. Estimates are that Gosnell generated more than \$1.8 million a year from his late-term abortuary.

Abortion mills in Illinois, like Pennsylvania, are rarely inspected. That is why IFI supported "The Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center Act" (HB 3156), sponsored by State Representative **Darlene Senger** (R-Naperville). This legislation would require abortion clinics that perform more than 50 abortions a year to meet the same basic safety regulations of other similar outpatient treatment centers. It is stalled in the House.

Given the situation in Philadelphia and other scandals related to under-inspected abortion clinics, it is only a matter of time before scandals break out in the uninspected abortion mills in Illinois. \*

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## State Senator McCarter Seeks to Amend Civil Unions Law

**An Illinois state senator has introduced legislation seeking to restore state contracts with Christian agencies providing adoption and foster care services.**



### Co-Sponsors of this bill include:

Sen. Pam Althoff (R-Crystal Lake)  
Sen. Tim Bivins (R-Dixon)  
Sen. Larry Bomke (R-Springfield)  
Sen. Bill Brady (R-Bloomington)  
Sen. Shane Cultra (R-Onarga)  
Sen. Kirk Dillard (R-Westmont)  
Sen. Dan Duffy (R-Barrington)  
Sen. William Haine (D-Alton)

Senator **Kyle McCarter** (R-Lebanon) has proposed SB 2495 — a bill to amend the civil unions law passed earlier this year by the Illinois General Assembly. That law recognizes the legal union of so-called same-sex “couples.”

The new civil unions statute — deceptively named the “Illinois Religious Freedom Protection and Civil Union Act” — has already led to the denial of religious freedoms to religious institutions and to small business owners.

Shortly after the law took effect in June, the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) announced they were terminating adoption and foster care contracts with Catholic Charities and two other Christian foster care agencies. State bureaucrats charged that the groups were discriminating in violation of the civil unions law because they would not place children with same-sex or co-habiting “couples.”

“The sponsor of the civil unions bill said this law would not discriminate against religious institutions,” McCarter says. “Yet here we are, in a bankrupt state, going against the very law we passed. All we have now is a huge backlog in foster care based on the fact that DCFS wants to discriminate against people of faith.”

Under McCarter’s bill, Christian ministries would be able to deny applications if they “would constitute a violation of the organization’s sincerely held beliefs.” Such agencies would be required to direct such individuals to the state for referral to other child welfare agencies.

While IFI fully supports this legislation, it is important to note that it shouldn’t be necessary. Religious freedom is not only guaranteed by the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, but also by our Illinois State Constitution (Article I, Section 3), which guarantees Illinois citizens the “free exercise and enjoyment of religious profession and worship, without discrimination,” and guarantees that “no person shall be denied any civil or political right, privilege or capacity, on account of his religious opinions.” \*

Sen. Christine Johnson (R-Sycamore)  
Sen. Tom Johnson (R-Wheaton)  
Sen. John Jones (R-Mt. Vernon)  
Sen. Darin LaHood (R-Peoria)  
Sen. Chris Lauzen (R-Aurora)  
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## The time for GIVING



**End of year giving is vital for IFI and our 2012 budget.** We need your financial and prayerful support if we hope to continue to advocate for biblical principles in the public square — the principles that form a solid foundation for marriage and the family and support a strong, prosperous and free society. Now more than ever we need your continued support as we go into an election year in which all 177 state lawmakers are up for election and as we prepare to widely distribute vital information found in our Voter Guide to the Christian community. But we need funding to do it.

2011 was an exceptionally difficult financial year for non-profits like IFI. Even though our momentum has increased greatly, our financial resources are just about depleted. Would you please consider a generous donation and partner with us in 2012? Maybe you would be willing to become a monthly donor — an IFI Sustaining Partner? Your financial help is critical to our success next year as we work to defend and support Illinois families!

God has been faithful to supply our needs through your generous support thus far. I’m most thankful for His provision through your continued support and partnership! Can we count on you for a one time, or monthly tax-deductible investment of \$25, \$50, \$100 starting today? \*

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## Gambling Expansion

**In May, Illinois lawmakers passed a massive gambling bill, SB 744, which Gov. Pat Quinn refused to sign.** During



Gov. Pat Quinn

the Fall Veto Session, lawmakers crafted a new gambling bill, very similar to the earlier version. The new bill, SB 1849, would again authorize five new casinos and add video slot machines at the racetracks — bringing the total number of casino-like establishments to 21 in Illinois. The proposed locations of these casinos are Chicago, Rockford, Danville, Park City and somewhere in the south suburbs. The number of gambling positions in Illinois would increase from 12,000 to about 32,000.

Thankfully, Gov. Quinn is on record opposing this latest version. But that doesn’t mean that this issue is going

away. State Representative **Lou Lang** (D-Skokie) has been working to expand gambling for approximately 20 years. He isn’t going to stop now.

**TAKE ACTION:** Please contact your State Senator and State Representative to ask them to oppose all legislation that would expand gambling in the Land of Lincoln.

Regarding the national explosion of gambling, **Dr. Albert Mohler**, president of The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary rightly points out that gambling “may well be the most underrated dimension of America’s moral crisis.” Mohler makes no bones about it and gets right to the heart of the matter morally and ethically by identifying it as the “sin of greed.” “The Bible is clear on this issue,” he wrote in an online post. “The entire enterprise of gambling is opposed to the moral worldview revealed in God’s Word. The basic impulse behind gambling is greed — a basic sin that is the father of many other evils.”



**HB 3027**, which already passed in the state senate, **mandates** that any school currently teaching sex ed in grades 6 – 12 will be required to teach “comprehensive” (condom training) sex ed. According to a sample of compliant curriculum obtained from the Senate Education Committee, the passage of this bill would expose children to information far too graphic to print and that most parents would find highly objectionable.

## “Comprehensive” Sex Ed Bill NOT Called in the House!

Proponents claim that the bill is necessary because current curricula is failing to reduce STDs and pregnancy. But according to the *Chicagoist*, 60% of Illinois schools are already teaching children how to use a condom. Therefore, if most Illinois schools already teach contraception and if our liberal lawmakers believe that current sex ed curricula are failing, what sense does it make to mandate all Illinois schools use failing curricula?

No sponsor of HB 3027 has provided any research-based proof that comprehensive sex ed curricula is consistently *more effective* at reducing STDs and unintended pregnancies than abstinence-centered curricula. However, from 1992-2010, there have been

**NO X CASINOS**

In addition, Mohler writes, gambling depends entirely on chance — for which the chief “virtue” is luck. “The worldview of the Bible affirms the active sovereignty of God over all events, persons, and time — and thus there is no place for luck,” he writes. “The Christian trusts in God, not in the vain hope of a winning lottery number or a favorable roll of the dice.”

Proponents of gambling have an army of professional lobbyists to advocate for more gambling. The only thing more powerful and compelling than the tainted money being handed out by the gaming industry is YOUR VOICE telling your State Representative and State Senator that you do not want to see Illinois become another Las Vegas. Please take a few moments to speak out against the foolishness of expanding gambling. \*

multiple studies that demonstrate that authentic abstinence curricula are not only effective but often more effective than comprehensive sex education.

**Thank you** to those who have called and emailed your state representative to oppose HB 3027. Your calls make a difference! If you haven’t yet called your state representative, IFI would be glad to provide you with their contact information. \*

*Thank you!*

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# Illinois Family Institute Prayer Requests

**J. Sidlow Baxter, a 20th-century International pastor and theologian, wrote, “Men may spurn our appeals, reject our message, oppose our arguments, despise our persons, but they are helpless against our prayers.”**

Considering Illinois’ political and cultural state of affairs, please commit to praying for our elected officials and for those of us working to uphold pro-family policies.

Recall biblical examples of persistent prayer — Moses praying for 40 days and 40 nights (Deut. 9:18), Elijah pressing on in faith for rain (I Kings 18), and the many nights Jesus Christ spent in prayer. **E.M. Bounds**, another author and great man of prayer, said, “Our praying, however, needs to be pressed and pursued with an energy that never tires, a persistency which will not be denied, and a courage which never fails.” That kind of prayer will turn the heart of kings (Proverbs 21:1) and affect our laws and culture.



**“Ask and it will be given unto you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.**

**For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.” ~ Luke 11:9-10**

## Please Pray...

### ...for the sanctity of marriage

- that Christians would faithfully engage on the issue of marriage in the public square.
- that the many couples considering or embracing living together would reject the notion and choose the marriage covenant.

### ...for the protection of life

- that the culture of abortion and euthanasia, markedly present in our government officials, media, and public schools, would be reversed and replaced with ideals that value life. As current national public debate continues to swirl around conscience protections in health care and taxpayer funding for abortions, pray that all life would be valued and that solutions will protect the inherent value of human life.
- for Illinois activists who are involved in protecting life in their communities. Pray for protection for those fighting abortion, aiding pregnant teens and unwed mothers, and contending with schools and districts on issues like curriculum and sex education.
- pray for staff and volunteers at crisis pregnancy centers who minister to women who may find themselves in the midst of an unplanned pregnancy.

### ...for parental authority

- that parents would understand the insidious manner in which their children are being desensitized against biblical morality in the public schools. Pray parents would take whatever actions they deem best to protect their children in school and in society at large.

- that Illinois State Representatives would understand how “comprehensive” sex education legislation would not only encourage immoral and dangerous sexual activity, but how it also usurps parental rights and authority.

### ...for Illinois families

- and thank God for the victories — few though they may be — bestowed on Illinois families of faith through the governor’s threat of vetoes. Pray that God would soften losses where new laws may not be in the best interests of our families.
- that God would raise up godly leaders in local communities and the higher reaches of Illinois government.
- for young people confused by the prevalence of pro-homosexual messages in the media, in their schools, and among their peers. Pray that truth will overcome the lies and deceptions that many children may be hearing.

### ...for Illinois Family Institute

- for IFI’s continued efforts to serve God in 2011 and into 2012 — by transforming the laws and culture of the Land of Lincoln. Please pray for the income necessary to fulfill what God has called the staff of IFI to do.
- that Illinois citizens would increasingly be exposed to a biblical worldview. Pray for additional opportunities for IFI to present a biblical worldview to Christians throughout the state.

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