



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Here is wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas! As commonplace as this greeting is, it is not without controversy. Whether schools being intimidated in regard to celebrating the birth of Jesus, retailers feeling uneasy about sharing a “Merry Christmas” greeting, or government entities petrified that they should be accused of sharing any mention of the real reason we celebrate this Christmas holiday---this issue represents a real concern for the preserving of our religious freedoms as intended by the Founding Fathers.

All that aside, let us wish you a very, Merry Christmas! As Christians the Gospel message is one of hope and joy, and its foundation is based on the virgin birth. The miracle of God becoming man in the form of a baby is integral to the Gospel, and its celebration is a manifestation of praise and worship of our Sovereign God.

This “Merry” celebration is reflective of the nature of God. God is love. He loves all, and would have us love one another as He loves us. How appropriate that this Christmas celebration would focus on the birth of our Savior, and would provide us the opportunity to share with others the love that is Jesus Christ.

Please share in the joy of this season by celebrating the birth of Jesus with your family, loved ones, those less fortunate, those who may not claim Him, and all around you—that they may see in you the love that is Jesus.

“Behold the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and His name shall be Immanuel.” Isaiah 7:14

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pastors for the Family

What: A Two-Day Conference at the Capitol
When: Tuesday, January 25, 2011 beginning at 3:00 p.m.
Wednesday, January 26, 2011 finishing at 2:00 p.m.

Where: State Capital, Bismarck, ND

Why: An opportunity for pastors over the period of 24 hours to gain a wealth of knowledge about how our government works, about the legislative process, meet and visit with your legislators and statewide elected officials, and most importantly-hear why pastors, from a biblical perspective, should be involved.

Randy Wilson, National Field Director of Church Ministries with the Family Research Council will serve as our keynote presenter.

Pastors, contact NDFA at 701-364-0676 to reserve a seat or for more information.

Pastors for the Family Conference

We are so excited about the Pastors Conference at the capital in Bismarck in January. As a pastor, you are invited, and we hope to see many of you there. As a NDFA constituent, please encourage your pastor to attend.

In the Bible, God provides for just a few institutions; the family, a limited civic government, and in Acts, the church. The interrelationship of these three is as important today as when America was founded centuries ago. We, including our pastors, are called upon to be the “salt and light”.

We are all called upon to be involved, to unashamedly be ambassadors for the Christian community, and to let our light shine. To preserve this unique interrelationship of faith, family, and freedom, we must enable our actions to reflect our sincerely held beliefs in the public policy arena.

While the primary focus of the conference is to educate, inform, and equip pastors, the evening banquet on January 25th is open to all NDFA constituents and public officials.

To attend the banquet, please contact the NDFA office.

2011 Legislative Update

The 62nd North Dakota Legislative Assembly will convene on January 4, 2011. NDFA will again actively participate throughout the session in proposing, monitoring, and seeking to influence legislation important to the family.

During the session we will be working on initiatives to protect the unborn, defend marriage, protect our children’s education, promote parental rights, and defend our constitutional religious freedoms. Bills of interest will be displayed on our website at www.ndfa.org under ‘Legislative Watch’.

To be fully informed on legislative issues, please subscribe to our ‘email alerts’ found on our NDFA website homepage. These alerts will provide timely updates on legislation referencing bill status, hearing dates, important votes, and more. These alerts will enable you to take action in a timely manner.

If you have an interest to learn more about or participate in the legislative process, or would like to visit the session in Bismarck, please contact the NDFA office.

Religious Liberty Restoration Amendment Update

The Religious Liberty Restoration Amendment petition is an effort to place language on the North Dakota ballot to restore religious liberties removed by non-elected justices. By law 25,688 signatures must be gathered by April of 2011. Just over 24,000 signatures have been gathered. Thank you to all who have worked so hard.

With just about 2000 additional signatures required, we can see the finish line, we can see success. We need your help. If the petition has not been circulated in your church, please contact us—we will help you with the process. If you are attending a function or event, please carry the petition.

To download a petition or see more information, go to www.ndfa.org/ndreligiousliberty.php

PARTNERING WITH NDFA

Standing with the NDFA as a Financial Partner

God has blessed us with great success, and has laid out a plan to do even greater things. For the NDFA to continue to stand up—promoting the family, defending our family values and protecting our religious freedoms, we need you.

We need your prayers. We need your financial support. Our year-end goal is to secure \$150,000 in financially partnering contributions. Whether those contributions are small or large, only you through prayerful consideration can determine your level of support. **Will you help us reach our goal?**

Thank you in advance for your prayers and support. We are privileged to serve you, bring honor to the family, and glorify an awesome God.

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NDFA REQUESTS . . .

Prayerfully Consider . . .

Invitation to speak—looking to come to your church, as we did in Beulah, Nov. 16th and Harvey, Dec. 3rd to share a program, “How can we impact the cultural legacy we leave our children”. Can we add your church? (Tom will be in Mott, Dec. 15th)

Fundraising event—if you would like to do a fundraising event in your church or community--bake sale, movie night, etc.

Needed—our office is in need of a used folding machine.

Prayer partners—would you like to join our prayer team?

Volunteers—need volunteers at our Fargo office and to help with the January 25th event in Bismarck.

Need—IT coordinator to help with our needs.

(Contact the NDFA office at admin@ndfa.org or call 701-364-0676)



Luke 2:11
“For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior who is Christ the Lord.”

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True U: “Does God Exist”
DVD Series
New Truth Project series for
15-22 year olds, preparing our youth.

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