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JUNE UPDATE

What's happening?

- C.P.R. would like to thank Harvest Time Baptist Church, Sunny Grove Baptist Church, Peppers Creek Baptist, and Valleys Chapel Baptist Church for the opportunity to share our burden and provide an update on C.P.R.
- Would you like C.P.R. to present our mission and provide updates to your church? Please email us at support@cprformcdowell.org.
- Please pray for C.P.R. as we begin constructing Christian Voter Guides for Burke, Caldwell, McDowell, and Mitchell Counties.
- Burke County School Board voted unanimously to reinstate the opening invocation to regularly scheduled meetings after a motion by board member Leslie Ritchie Taylor.
- We're now able to accept donations on our website through PayPal and we'll be adding credit/debit card options soon.
- We continue to see our website traffic increase and we look forward to adding additional C.P.R. chapters (counties).

DATES TO REMEMBER

July 11- McDowell County Commissioner Meeting, 5:00 PM

July 11- McDowell County Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 PM

July 19- Marion City Council Meeting, 6:00 PM

• C.P.R. Board of Directors would like to publicly express our gratitude to Mr. Mark Garrett, Superintendent of McDowell County Schools, for his open door policy and willingness to listen. We wish him well in his new appointment with Henderson County Schools.



Please continue to pray for C.P.R. as we seek the Lord's wisdom and guidance in all that we do!



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Have you heard about the recent rulings of the US Supreme Court?

--Glory be to God for the two rulings of the US Supreme Court this month! June 24, 2022 will be marked as one of the most important days in American History as the US Supreme Court ruled 6 to 3 to overtum Roe V. Wade. Millions have prayed, marched, protested, and lobbied for the end of the landmark abortion rights ruling and after 49 years, and more than 63 million abortions, the time has come!

Justice Samuel Alito wrote 'We hold that *Roe* and *Casey* must be overturned' and 'the Constitution makes no reference to abortion, and no such right is implicitly protected by any constitutional provision." The decision sends the question of regulation back to the states, where voters and legislatures will decide when and if a woman can choose to terminate a pregnancy. Many states have already passed 'trigger laws' which put immediate restrictions on abortion. Continue to pray for states as the responsibility has been passed down.

--On June 27, the US Supreme Court ruled 6 to 3 that high school coach, Joseph Kennedy's postgame prayers on a football field was within his First Amendment right to free speech and free exercise of religion. Justice Neil Gorsuch wrote "The Constitution neither mandates nor tolerates that kind of discrimination." Coach Kennedy never coerced any high school players into praying. According to Gorsuch, the ruling would have been different if Kennedy had forced students to join him or prayed as a part of his official coaching responsibilities. However, state employees do not lose the right to say private prayers just because they work for a public school.

"If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

2 Chronicles 7:14, KJV

Are your religious rights being violated on the job or at school? Please contact C.P.R. via email at support@cprformcdowell.org or submit anonymously on our website.

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