



Prayer Targets: Solemn Assembly, CA Marriage, LGBT Oppression, NY Vote, Call2Fall, 'The Response'

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Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the LORD your God, and cry unto the LORD... (Joel 1:14).

Dear Praying Friends,

[The Late] Avery Willis, a Southern Baptist minister who has done extensive work on the Solemn Assembly, took part in promoting Solemn Assemblies among the Southern Baptists in the late 1980's and thereafter. In 1991, he wrote of our national plight:

God "is letting us experience the consequences for our sins and our choices to leave Him out of our lives and our nation. He has allowed the enemy to come in like a flood ...He has allowed other nations to control our money and even buy much of our property and companies.... He has let our families fall apart because of our hard hearts. He has let a large percentage of our people become addicted to drugs, and then in order to afford them, terrorize the rest of us. He has let criminals multiply until they overcrowd our jails... He has let our school system fall far below that of other western nations. He has allowed our courts through legal abortion to kill over one million (babies) a year. He has let us get so far in debt as a nation that at anytime with change of oil prices or other fluctuations we could be bankrupt." Willis continues, "The urgency of the hour is that the Day of the Lord is upon us!" (Lecture notes by Willis given at New Orleans Baptist Seminary, National Prayer Conference on Solemn Assembly, June 7-9, 1991, from Spiritual Renewal Manual, P. Douglas Small, 2000).

Willis was speaking of conditions over 20 years ago. Circumstances in our land have grown much, much worse -- especially during the last 3 years. Our beloved nation is fast approaching the point of no return. Without repentance and a return to God, we face all the consequences about which we have been forewarned by Almighty God (Dt 8:6-20; Ps 9:17; Mt 21:43-44). May millions of Americans participate in Call2Fall and other Solemn Assembly efforts! May God mercifully intervene, bring America back from the brink, and grant the Awakening we so

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desperately need!

California Marriage Amendment Challenge -- Proponents of the California Marriage Amendment, which defines marriage as exclusively between one man and one woman was rejected by Federal District Chief Judge James Ware yesterday, upholding the ruling issued by Judge Vaughn Walker that declared the Amendment unconstitutional. After Walker's recent retirement, he announced he had been living in a same-sex committed relationship for 10 years. Proponents of the Amendment sued to reverse the decision based upon Walker's failure to disclose that fact and to give proponents an opportunity to call for his recusal, since he was obviously prejudiced in the case, a fact confirmed by the radical opinion he issued. FRC, which had filed an amicus brief in the case, will join the effort to reverse this decision. In a press release FRC's President, Tony Perkins wrote: "Ultimately, we are confident that the U.S. Supreme Court will recognize that the Founders did not include a constitutional right to same-sex 'marriage'" (see [Press Release](#), [Brief](#)).

- ***Pray that the U.S Supreme Court will preserve Natural Marriage when the case reaches it! (Dt 25:1; 2 Chr 6:23-25; Jer 8:13-17; Jn 7:24; 1 Tim 2:1-8; Heb13:4)***

Government-Imposed Celebration of LGBT Sexuality -- Last week I asked you to pray about the effects of the HHS "LGBT Youth Summit," sponsored by the Department of Education. Top level appointees declared, "the federal government has 'come out.'" Christian media were prevented from attending the break-out sessions and conducting interviews with teen participants. The goal to expand recruiting for LGBT homes to adopt children was also a focus of the event.

The Summit was one of many federally sponsored LGBT events this month. HHS, whose size and resources dwarf most nations, emailed every employee in the huge agency, "urging" them to participate in LGBT events:

*HHS ... is committed to honoring the diversity of its workforce and ensuring that all employees are treated with respect and dignity... a proclamation by President Barack Obama...marked the beginning of our country's recognition of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender month. The President called upon the people of the United States to eliminate prejudice everywhere it exists, and to celebrate the great diversity of the American people... In the spirit of this proclamation, we invite all HHS employees to the commemorative event on **June 21, 2011 from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm in the Great Hall**. The theme..."Focusing on LGBT issues in the workplace and creating an inclusive environment " highlights the merits of inclusion as well as the promise of diversity.*

It also announced that HHS is partnering with the Department of Education to sponsor "a mini-film festival in celebration of LGBT Month." HHS closed its email "you are receiving this email because you are employed by the Department of Health and Human Services. It is not possible to be removed from this list at this time. Please do not respond to this email...." (See [Reporters Blocked](#), [Adoption](#), [Commemorative Event & Film Festival](#); [Dawn We Now Our Gay Imperil](#)).

- ***Pray God will stop this oppression of our hired federal workers -- military and civilian! (Ex 3:9; Dt 26:7; 2 Kg 13:4-5; Ps 119:32-36; Lk 17:1-2; Acts 5:29)***

New York Same-Sex Marriage -- According to insiders, the vote to prevent New York from becoming the sixth state to legalize same-sex marriage has boiled down to just one Senator. Thirty two votes are needed to prevail, and they already have 31. Several Republican Senators have abandoned marriage under pressure from homosexual activists. The vote could come as

early as tonight.

- ***May God intervene and move a Senate majority to vote to save natural marriage in New York State. May New Yorkers both pray and insist that their Senators vote "No" on legalizing same-sex "marriage!" (Ps 11:3; Eze 33:1-9; Mt 7:15; Rom 1:32; Eph 6:10-18; 1 Th 5:21-22)***

Finally, Call2Fall/Solemn Assemblies -- Call2Fall is less than three weeks away, July 3, 2011. Please urge those in your circle of influence, pastors and people, to visit Call2Fall.com. Use your social media sites to trumpet Call2Fall (plenty of resources, including videos) can be found on our website. Meanwhile, our friends at AFA are partnering with Texas Governor Rick Perry to bring a massive Solemn Assembly to Houston (called [The Response](#)) on August 6th. Perry has invited every state governor to participate. Information in the news has been confusing, but Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback has definite plans to attend and Governors Rick Scott of Florida, Nikki Haley of South Carolina and Christine Gregoire of Washington, have said they will participate in some way, perhaps by calling a day of prayer in their own states. Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal's office, has said he will come "if he can." Anti-Christian and separation-of-church-and-state groups have come out in force to protest this event (see [Call for Prayer Draws Critics](#), [Solemn Assemblies Guide](#), [Call2Fall](#)), May a successful Call2Fall, lead to successful Solemn Assemblies in the states. Thank you for praying!

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