



## FAITH FOR OUR NATION: YOUR VOTE IS CRITICAL

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### DAY 1 – WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU VOTE THE RIGHT PERSON INTO OFFICE

What happens when you vote the right person into office? Righteousness begins to rule! Because elections set the course for our nation, it's important that Christians pray and vote. Pastor Paula White-Cain has the honor of serving as the chairwoman of the Evangelical Advisory Council to President Trump. We are involved in a spiritual warfare for our nation—not a political one.

#### STUDY IT

- I. Because elections set the course for our nation, it's important that Christians pray and vote.
  - Christians must vote in every election, including the midterms.
  - The voters who caused President Trump to be elected in 2016 are a group named the SAGE Cons. Those initials stand for: Spiritually Active, Governance Engaged, Conservatives.
    - Refer to Appendix 1: SAGE Cons—for a description of these voters.
    - Refer to Appendix 2: The Reason Trump Won—for statistics of SAGE Con turnout in the 2016 election.
- II. Pastor Paula White-Cain has the honor of serving as the chairwoman of the Evangelical Advisory Council to President Trump.
  - She talks about the character and goals of President Trump.
    - When Trump was thinking of running for president, he asked Paula to gather pastors and pray with him for God's direction.
    - Since he has been elected, President Trump has established a faith-based office in the White House and requires each governmental agency to have a faith-based-representative voice in governmental decisions.
    - One thing President Trump has accomplished with the economy is that the number of people receiving welfare benefits has dropped by 3 million.
    - His goals include strengthening the families of our country.
    - He is personable and thankful to his staff, from the groundskeeper to leadership. He stops on the street to greet construction workers and shake their hands.



- In the next broadcasts, we will discuss other changes President Trump has made. His motto is: "Promises made, promises kept."
- III. We are involved in a spiritual warfare for our country, not a political one (Ephesians 6:12).
  - It matters whom you vote in as governor, senator, mayor, etc. We need people in government who can come to a place of agreement to ratify legislation and appoint judges.
  - Ask yourself: *What does The WORD of God say?* Then vote your values based on God's WORD.
  - It has been said before: Your vote is your seed. Your harvest will be a government of integrity that depends on The WORD of God as its foundation.

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

Meditate on Proverbs 29:2, "When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule, the people mourn."

Write what this means to you, how you should pray and whom you should vote for.

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### DAY 2 – THE TRUTH ABOUT OUR PRESIDENT

The midterm elections give an opportunity for us to vote and use our voice for righteousness. President Trump has put in place executive orders that support economic growth and freedom of religion. The current president and vice president are men who fight for righteousness. We vote for a biblical direction in our nation, and our voice has influence.

### STUDY IT

- I. The midterm elections give an opportunity for us to vote and use our voice for righteousness.
  - Our identity is in Christ.
  - We are people of faith in God, not politics. Yet politics guide the direction our country is going.
  - The freedom of religion in our nation is regulated by government; so, whether you can pray in schools and before sporting events, or minister to children in the Boys and Girls Clubs or public schools is determined by judicial ruling.
  - Make it your business to know who the people are on the ballot in your area.
- II. President Trump has put in place executive orders that support economic growth and freedom of religion.
  - An executive order is a ruling that is put in place by the current president. It can be undone by the next president.
  - We want the good things that are put in place by executive orders to go on to the Congress in the form of bills, and be passed, so they can be signed into law.
  - An example of support for religious freedom: The Johnson Amendment is an amendment to a bill, not an amendment to the Constitution. This was put in place, so preachers could not speak their opinion concerning elections. It is a source of intimidation. President Trump has instructed the IRS not to enforce this amendment.
  - An example of economic growth: President Trump pulled our country out of the Paris Accord Agreement. This is going to impact us by lowering our energy bills, and that's a good thing. The president is not just making erratic decisions.





- III. The current president and vice president are men who fight for righteousness.
- President Trump gave a dinner at the White House called a “celebration of evangelical leadership” attended by 115 evangelical ministers.
  - Vice President Pence holds Bible studies in the White House for the Cabinet members who choose to attend.
  - At one of Trump’s rallies, a woman passed out. He stopped the rally for 90 minutes to get her prayer and medical attention to determine if she was alright.
  - The president is working to stop abortion after the unborn child is 20 weeks old—when the infant can feel pain. He cut off funding (\$9 million) that was given to support global abortion.
  - Sadly, there are people who are paid to spread dissention against President Trump.
    - This is an opportunity to see that what man meant for evil, God will turn to good (Genesis 50:20; Romans 8:28).
- IV. We want a biblical direction for our nation, and our voice has influence.
- Whether you vote for a Democratic or Republican candidate, that person will be pressured to support his/her party’s platform.
    - To have a good seat on an important committee and have influence, the successful candidate has to support his/her party’s goals.
  - The struggle between good and evil is also found in the Bible.
    - Paul addressed Elymus, a wicked man trying to influence a high-ranking government official. Paul told Elymus he was the enemy of things that are upright and good (Acts 13:9-10).
  - God is against calling evil good, and good evil (Isaiah 5:20). That sinful language is found in our culture today.
  - Another trick of wickedness is to change the language. Instead of saying *abortion*, it’s now referred to as “women’s healthcare” or “reproductive rights.” Abortion is the killing of an unborn child—no matter what you call it.
    - If you vote for a candidate who supports abortion, or don’t vote at all, you are acting against God.
  - Vote in the coming elections.

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

Write the scripture you are praying for our president.

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### DAY 3 – VOTE BECAUSE PRO-LIFE POLICIES HANG IN THE BALANCE

We must vote in the 2018 midterm elections. Pro-life policies hang in the balance. It's up to us to do something about the issues facing us and our nation. We are thankful to have a faith-friendly president, who supports religious liberty.

#### STUDY

- I. We must vote in the 2018 midterm elections.
  - We do have a vote and can make a difference.
  - Your vote matters. Your ability to influence the outcome is multiplied in the midterm elections, because fewer people go to the polls.
  - During this administration, we have more jobs than we have people to fill them. We need to vote to continue this progress.
  - The economy has grown to provide the lowest unemployment in the Hispanic and black communities, among millennials and women, in over 50 years.
  - Don't make the elections about the personality of the candidates. What are their track records? What are their agendas? What are their policies?
- II. Pro-life policies hang in the balance.
  - The president is working to protect unborn children.
  - President Trump has agreed to sign the "pain-capable" bill that prevents abortions of infants who are 20 weeks old or more and can feel pain.
    - The House has signed it, and the President agreed to sign it when the Senate passes it. We need more pro-life senators in order to get it passed in the Senate.
    - Meanwhile, there are 5,000 unborn children age 20-weeks or more each month who are aborted.
  - The Mexico City Policy funds abortion in other countries, and our country was supporting it with \$9 million. President Trump brought this expense to an end.
  - There is no merciful way to perform an abortion. It's horrible, painful murder. If people did these things to puppies, they would be put in jail.
  - The Democratic Party platform says: "We believe unequivocally like the majority of Americans that every woman should have access to quality reproductive



health care services including safe and legal abortion.” And they insist on no restrictions.

- The Republican Party platform states: “Abortion should be illegal in all cases and the Constitution should be amended to ban the procedure. We assert the sanctity of human life and affirm that the unborn child has a fundamental right of life that cannot be infringed.”

III. It's up to us to do something about the issues facing us and our nation.

- Voting is like salvation. You must make a statement, a confession to receive Jesus as your Savior. You can't just think it, or osmosis it—you must do something.
  - To be born again, you must believe in your heart and confess with your mouth that Jesus is LORD (Romans 10:9-10).
  - If we want our nation to support biblical principles, we must vote.
- We need to realize we are accountable to God for what we do or don't do. An indecision is still a decision.
- Evangelicals are the United States' most powerful block of voters.
- We must vote, because aspects of this election will affect our country, not just for the next four years, but in the case of judicial appointments, for years to come.

IV. We are thankful to have a faith-friendly president, who supports religious liberty.

- In October 2017 the Department of Justice issued 20 principles of religious liberty to guide the Trump administration's litigation strategy and protect religious freedoms.
- The Trump administration is setting up ways to guide faith-based organizations through the application process to gain governmental funding to assist citizens in poverty and emergency disaster situations.
  - President Trump has taken away restrictions that suppress the organizations from sharing their beliefs while they help those in need.
  - With presidential support, we can be granted government assistance to serve food and pray!
- The citizens of our country need to continue to have the ability to be free people, prosper, succeed and speak their beliefs.
- We need to pray. Agree together that God, the great I AM, is in the midst of our prayers (Matthew 18:19-20). He hears and answers!
- We want our country to line up with God's WORD. We want God to move the House and Senate into agreement to work together with the president for the good of the nation.
- Request the free book, *America Stands: Our Founding Documents of Freedom*, from [kcm.org](http://kcm.org).
- We must not relinquish our responsibility by not voting.



## MAKE IT PERSONAL

List issues that the government could possibly change that impact your life. Find out who to contact in the local, state and federal government who could help. Write them a letter or an email, and express your opinion!

Local: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Federal: \_\_\_\_\_



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### DAY 4 – HOW CHRISTIAN VOTERS AND JUDGES STEER THE NATION

President Trump's agenda is to strengthen the country and stand up for religious freedom. The judicial system of the United States is structured to make decisions at various levels. There are many issues in our government—issues concerning the economy, safety of our borders, defense funding, religious liberties and especially the appointment of judges—waiting to be voted on in the Senate. God wants our nation to prosper. Do your part.

#### STUDY IT

- I. President Trump's agenda is to strengthen the country and stand up for religious freedom.
  - Paula White-Cain is the spiritual advisor for the president. She is acquainted with President Trump, and has high regard for him.
  - Before Trump became president, he asked her to bring in people to pray. He wasn't interested in their endorsements; he wanted prayer.
  - President Trump is a hard worker with a tremendous work ethic. He believes he is on assignment from God and is for all Americans. The president has embraced the evangelical world.
  - It is vital that biblical values be voted into legislation.
    - To do that, you need to vote for candidates who will support God's WORD.
    - The president does have power to influence the government, but without the support of the legislature, he can only do so much.
    - We need senators who will come into unity with the president, so he will be able to do what we voted him in to do.
  - When the children of Israel left Egypt, The LORD gave Moses a pattern for government.
    - God told Moses to organize the people into groups, so that they would be able to have their needs and disputes settled in a peaceful way (Exodus 18:21).
- II. The judicial system of the United States is structured to make decisions at various levels.
  - If someone files a lawsuit, it is heard by the appellate court.
  - If the person wants to appeal the outcome, the appeal goes to the circuit court.





- There are circuit courts all around the country. They make decisions based on “precedent.”
  - If the person wants to appeal that decision, it can go to the Supreme Court.
  - There are many judicial positions that are waiting for the appointment of a judge, and each appointment is valid for the life of the appointee.
    - The president makes a recommendation, then those people must be confirmed by the Senate.
    - The anti-Trump senators are causing delays for the president’s choice of appointment.
    - It’s vital that godly judges be confirmed, because their rulings will steer the nation.
- III. There are many issues in our government—issues concerning the economy, safety at our borders, defense funding, religious liberties and especially the appointment of judges—waiting to be voted on in the Senate.
  - In the 2018 midterm elections, we need nine more senators elected who will support the president, and we need to hold onto the 23-seat majority in the House of Representatives.
  - The Senate uses a process called cloture to close the debate over a proposed bill.
    - There is a requirement that 60 senators vote on cloture, before a bill can move to the floor for voting.
    - A filibuster is a process of continual debate to hinder the Senate from getting the 60 votes necessary to proceed.
    - Currently we need nine more senators to get the required 60 votes that can break filibusters and bring cloture to many bills awaiting the Senate’s vote.
- IV. God wants our nation to prosper. Do your part. Write to your senator and representative.
  - Go to the White House website and find out what the president is doing each day—what he is accomplishing; who he is meeting with; and how we, as believers, can pray.
  - Use your influence to bring people to Christ, and encourage them to vote.

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

Pray this prayer:

*Heavenly Father, I thank You for bringing these things about the government to my attention. Help me as I take my responsibility and vote, in Jesus’ Name. Amen.*



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### DAY 5 – CHRISTIANS STAND WITH ISRAEL BY VOTING

We, as Christians, must vote for candidates who stand with Israel. In 2016, we elected a president who promised to move the United States' Embassy to Jerusalem—and he did! President Trump has proven he will protect and bring increase to our country.

### STUDY IT

- I. We, as Christians, must vote for candidates who stand with Israel.
  - When you bless Israel (both nationally and personally), God will bless you (Genesis 12:3). The Church must not replace, but bless Israel.
  - The United States of America was founded to preserve godly values and integrity.
  - Our responsibility is to make sure this nation will be a beacon to the world.
- II. In 2016, we elected a president who promised to move the United States' Embassy to Jerusalem.
  - The law to move the U.S. Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem was passed by Congress in 1996. However, every president delayed the move.
    - On May 14, 2018, the 70th anniversary of the founding of the nation of Israel, President Trump opened the United States Embassy in the city of Jerusalem.
    - President Trump recognized the sovereignty of Israel. His actions updated Jerusalem's status to the capital of the nation of Israel.
  - Our president had the courage to obey The LORD and fulfill God's WORD. By doing so, he invoked THE BLESSING of God on our nation.
- III. President Trump has proven he will protect and bring increase to our country.
  - The president recognizes the sovereignty of our nation by guarding our borders.
    - He is backing us out of organizations that put our country under courts of other nations. We are a sovereign nation, not subject to other nations.
  - We need to vote and pray that legislation can proceed.
    - Legislation means to make something into law.
    - An executive order is a decision made by the president and can be overturned by a later president.
  - The president understands the power of our prayer.



- The LORD said He will judge those who are against His people—His people are the Church as well as Jews (Joel 3:1-2).

Additional scripture: Judges 2:10

## MAKE IT PERSONAL

Pastors George and Terri Pearsons, Buddy Pilgrim and Paula White-Cain encourage you to find out where the candidates stand according to The WORD of God, and VOTE! If these broadcasts have stirred your interest, [click here to share with us](#), or [contact us on Facebook™](#).

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#### Appendix 1

**WHO ARE THE DIFFERENCE MAKERS?**

Spiritually Active, Governance Engaged Conservatives

- 9% of adult population
- 20 million adults
- Fiscal, Social, and Governance Conservatives
- Born again Christians
- Attend church, read the Bible, believe the Bible is trustworthy
- Active in Christian parachurch ministries
- Politically active and attentive
- Registered to vote; frequent voter

CAN'T WIN THEM ALONE, WILL LOSE WITHOUT THEM

SAGE Con statistics by American Culture & Faith Institute



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#### Appendix 2

