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## Dear Vision America Family,

August was a very busy and productive month. I preached in a number of churches, conducted two area-wide rallies, and recorded a total of 15 radio programs. These programs began airing August 4 and are aired daily, Monday through Friday over KJAK 92.7 FM in Lubbock, Texas. We also have finalized a commitment that will put Vision America on 30 more stations across the state, two days a week beginning this month. Details of this and other exciting new broadcast opportunities are printed elsewhere in the newsletter.

Church rallies in August included First Baptist Church, Houston, Birchman Baptist Church in Ft. Worth, and First Baptist Church in Katy. Area-wide rallies with multiple church participation were conducted in Stephenville and Abilene, Texas.

Each event provided fresh evidence that God is blessing our work and labors. I am finding a hunger in people for Pastors to stand up, speak up and refuse to give up whether they worship in a sophisticated megachurch like the great FBC of Houston or come from a small church like Buffalo Gap Baptist Church.

Increasingly people from all walks of life know that if the church remains silent on the crucial issues of the day we will lose our beloved America to the social engineers who have hijacked our culture.

Without question, the highlight of August was our annual Dinner and Gala, held at the Westin Galleria Hotel in Houston, Texas. More than 800 attended this outstanding celebration of Faith and Freedom. Guests included over 55 elected officials and more than 100 Pastors and their wives from a broad cross-section of faiths. Vision America presented our Heroes of the Faith Awards to Jared Woodfill, the youngest person ever elected to chair the Harris



**Honored as the 2002 National Hero of Faith, Justice Moore told an audience of more than 800, "It is not wrong to acknowledge God under the First Amendment. It never has been, and it never will be!"**

County Republican Party; the Honorable Charlie Howard, a member of the Texas House of Representatives; and the Honorable Judge Roy Moore, the Chief Justice of the Alabama Supreme Court. All three live exemplary Christian lives as they serve their country distinctively.

This year's event was the best we have ever conducted. Madeline Collier, a member of our Board of Directors and a long time supporter of Vision America, is responsible for envisioning our first Gala four years ago and producing what has become one of the premier gatherings in Houston each year.

Bo Pilgrim, Founder of Pilgrim's Pride Poultry Corporation, Dr. John

McGovern, Attorney Mark Lanier, and one anonymous donor provided major underwriting for the Gala, which is a primary source of funding for the ministries we conduct each year. I am without words to express my gratitude to these donors and the encouragement their generosity gives to the staff of Vision America.

Friends of Vision America, we depend greatly on each of you. As we move into the final weeks of this election cycle, we need your prayers, financial support and YOU, to make a difference. Join us in this worthy endeavor by using your influence to get people registered and voting. You can also help us by encouraging your friends to learn more about what we're doing

by going to our website. If you have not visited it lately, check us out. You can listen to our radio program 'Vision America Presents' during air times by simply going to [www.visionamerica.org](http://www.visionamerica.org) and clicking on the link. On page 4 of this newsletter you will also find the list of 30 Texas AFR radio stations that currently broadcast 'Vision Texas,' as well as details about another new Vision America broadcast effort on USA Radio Network's popular 'Point of View.'

Pray for every broadcast and pray over our busy speaking schedule as well.

# ***The Bible tells us ...***

## ***Where there is no vision the people perish***

Today, more than ever before in our history, “*we need a vision in America,*” said Alabama Supreme Court Chief Justice Roy Moore, addressing more than 800 people of faith August 22 when he was named Vision America’s “National Hero of Faith.”

### ***But, how can we have a vision without God?***

Our forefathers had a vision when they came to this land 382 years ago — a vision decribed in the Mayflower Compact, “*undertaken for the Glory of God, and Advancement of the Christian Faith,*”

A vision still strong 169 years later when President George Washington spoke these words in his inaugural address on April 30, 1789:

*“... it would be peculiarly improper to omit in this first official Act, my fervent supplications to that Almighty Being who rules over the Universe, who presides in the Councils of Nations, and whose providential aids can supply every human defect, that His benediction may consecrate to the liberties and happiness of the People of the United States, a Government instituted by themselves for these essential purposes: and may enable every instrument employed in its administration to execute with success, the functions allotted to His charge. In tendering this homage to the Great Author of every public and private good I assure myself that it expresses your sentiments not less than my own; nor those of my fellow-citizens at large ....*”

Justice Moore noted several other “visions” held throughout this nation’s history, including Congressional resolutions calling for “a national day of prayer.”

“The first thing that Congress [Continental Congress, 1779] did was to acknowledge God,” Moore said. “I believe they knew what they were writing in the Congressional Proclamation better than we know today.”

“How, then, can judges and attorneys today take the First Amendment and twist it” to imply that it means America has only ‘freedom FROM religion’ instead of ‘freedom OF religion’?

Urging the audience to stand up and demand that religious freedom be reinstated in this nation, Moore said, “***It is not wrong to acknowledge God under the First Amendment. It never has been, and it never will be!***”

Nonetheless, he reminded listeners that giant steps are taken daily to destroy the vision of this great nation “Under God.” As, indeed, there are, and have been for many years!

- The IRS maintains a 50-year stranglehold over churches under the threat of loss of 501C3 tax exemption if they dare speak out about political matters.
- Athiest Madeleine Murray O’Hare



*Justice Moore decried the cultural assassination that has taken place in America during the past half century, calling for everyone in this land to stand up for religious freedom.*

fought through our courts to eliminate prayer in schools, and we stood by and allowed it.

- Roe v Wade was fought in our court system, and women won the “right” to kill their unborn babies, and we stood by and allowed it.

- Crude vulgarities and pornography abound on the internet, and we allow it under the guise of “freedom of speech,” while we allow public discussion of God to be suppressed in schools and in the workplace so we “won’t offend” or discriminate against someone’s “constitutional rights.”

And the list grows day by day.

Calling for immediate action to change this downward spiral, Justice Moore quoted II Chronicles 7:14 “if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.” and II Chronicles 7:19-20 “But if you turn away and forsake My statutes and My commandments which I have set before you, and go and serve other gods, and worship them, then I will uproot them from My land which I have given them; and this house which I have sanctified for My name I will cast out of My sight, and will make it a proverb and a byword among all peoples.”

“It is time that we join people like Rick Scarborough” Justice Moore said, and quit sitting still “until the steeples of our churches are taken down.”

“How long will we sit back and allow them to take away the knowledge of God? It is time for Christians to take a stand.

“I tell you, we must fight!”



*Thank you for who you are!” Event Chairman Mark Lanier told Justice Moore as he presented him with a painting of the Ten Commandments. The gift was from Texas Judge John Devine who also faced legal challenges for posting the Ten commandments in his courtroom,*

# Speak up to Congress now for revival of religious freedom

***NOW is the time for Congress to  
restore free speech rights to  
Houses of Worship!***

It is time to restore freedom of speech to America's churches and synagogues. But this won't happen unless you make your voice heard. You can help restore that freedom by contacting your Congressman and Senators today, insisting that they support the "Houses of Worship Political Speech Protection Act" ... HR 2357 and Senate Bill 2886. Your voice will make a difference. If a sufficient number of Americans speak, this legislation will pass. Why? Because when constituents get interested and directly involved, elected officials are held accountable for their individual actions ... and they respond.

Make no mistake, our nation is in a moral crisis. Yet, because of fear of intimidation and recrimination, the churches and synagogues of America have been largely silent with regard to most political and many civil issues for almost 50 years. And, as individual citizens, many of us have watched in silence and apathy as the moral fiber of our nation and our fundamental religious freedoms have continued to erode.

On our watch, sanctity of life has become a politically correct "choice" ... images of violence and pornography have flooded the print media and the screens of the motion picture and television industries ... prayer, and even the mention of God and Jesus Christ have systematically been removed from our schools and our public

offices ... the sanctity of marriage and family values have continued to erode ... and the demands for absolute acceptance and preferential legal treatment for alternative life styles have been nurtured in the name of "tolerance" and "political correctness." These are the sounds of America's decline and fall. God-fearing men and women can be silent no longer! Yet the churches of America remain muzzled by the effects of unjust legislation.

If this nation is to experience revival, it must come from the pulpits and synagogues of America. Pastors, clergymen and rabbis must enjoy the right of free speech given to every other individual and group. They must be able to speak out on moral and political questions without threatening their tax-exempt status. To a large measure, the choice is in our hands. If every concerned citizen across this nation will effectively urge their Congressman and Senators to actively support "The Houses of Worship Political Speech Protection Act" ... HR 2357 and S2886 ... this muzzle can be removed. It is time for YOU to act today!

Both bills are important, but HR 2357, introduced and sponsored by Congressman Walter Jones of North Carolina, will be moving through critical stages of the legislative process during the very immediate future. The time for YOU to act is NOW! For more information about these bills, and information about how you can contact your elected official, please visit our website: [www.visionamerica.org](http://www.visionamerica.org).



*Dr. Laurence White calls pastors  
to participate in the  
American political process*

*"Pastors ... we ask you to join us  
as we seek to raise up an army of  
Patriot Pastors who will rekindle in  
the pulpits of our America the flames  
of righteousness which once burned  
so brightly in this land ... who will  
stand before the people of God and  
call them forth to do their duty ...  
who will speak the truth of God  
and call the people of God forth to  
war against the powers that work all  
around us. Stand with us ... join us  
... and defend that which is good and  
right and Godly while there is still  
time in God's incredible mercy for us  
to stand together."*

It is easy to join in this nationwide effort to involve Christians in the political processes of this country. Just lead your congregation to be proactive in restoring Judeo-Christian values into the culture and civil institutions of our communities.

Register on our website or contact us by mail or toll free number to be added to our growing list of pastors who are willing to stand up ... speak up ... and refuse to give up on the future of America. There is no charge or other obligation involved.



*A crowd of more than 800 gathered to honor Christian leaders including Alabama's Supreme Court Chief Justice Honorable Roy Moore, Honorable Charlie Howard and Honorable Jared Woodfill for their courage to stand up ... speak up ... and refuse to give up.*





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# Stand up! Speak up! And refuse to Give up!

## Vision America 'Speaks up!'

Recently Vision America launched significant radio efforts. 'Vision America Presents' airs from KJAK 92.7 FM radio, Lubbock, Texas weekdays 4:30 to 5 p.m. CST, and on the internet during broadcast times via a link from our website.

Dr. Rick Scarborough also joins with co-host Tim Wildmon to present 'Vision Texas' on the 30 Texas American Family Radio stations listed below Mondays and Thursdays 2 to 2:30 p.m. CST.

In the near future, Dr. Scarborough and Vision America National Co-Chairman Dr.

Laurence White will be featured with two-minute radio spots to be aired during USA Radio Network's 'Point of View' programming. In addition, full 30-minute broadcasts of 'Vision America Presents' will be carried on the USA Radio Network satellite, available nationwide to over 175 stations.

Additional information concerning specific times and stations will be posted on the Vision America website.

Please join us as we discuss the mission of reclaiming America.



*Dr. Scarborough interviews a guest via phone for 'Vision America Presents.'*

### American Family Radio 'Vision Texas' affiliates:

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|--------------|-------|---------|------|-------------|-------|---------|------|--------------|-------|---------|------|
| Abilene      | Texas | KAQD-FM | 91.3 | Dalhart     | Texas | KAXF-FM | 91.7 | Morton       | Texas | KBKN-FM | 91.9 |
| Alpine       | Texas | KAQD-FM | 90.9 | Dangerfield | Texas | KEGG-FM | 91.1 | Odessa       | Texas | KBMM-FM | 89.5 |
| Amarillo     | Texas | KAVW-FM | 90.7 | Del Rio     | Texas | KEGG-FM | 89.9 | Pampa        | Texas | KAXH-FM | 90.9 |
| Big Spring   | Texas | KBCX-FM | 91.5 | Dumas       | Texas | KEGG-FM | 91.7 | Pecos        | Texas | KAXH-FM | 91.3 |
| Bonham       | Texas | KBCX-FM | 91.1 | Hereford    | Texas | KEGG-FM | 90.7 | Plainview    | Texas | KBAH-FM | 90.5 |
| Borger       | Texas | KAVO-FM | 91.5 | Kermit      | Texas | KEGG-FM | 91.5 | Stephenville | Texas | KBAH-FM | 90.5 |
| Breckenridge | Texas | KAVO-FM | 90.5 | Lamesa      | Texas | KBKN-FM | 91.3 | Temple/Waco  | Texas | KBDE-FM | 89.9 |
| Brownfield   | Texas | KAVO-FM | 90.7 | Levelland   | Texas | KBKN-FM | 91.9 | Van Horn     | Texas | KBDE-FM | 89.5 |
| Conroe       | Texas | KAXF-FM | 88.3 | Lockhart    | Texas | KBKN-FM | 88.5 | Victoria     | Texas | KAYK-FM | 88.5 |
| Crockett     | Texas | KAXF-FM | 91.9 | Midland     | Texas | KBKN-FM | 89.5 | Wellington   | Texas | KAYK-FM | 91.7 |

#### Vision America Online

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[www.visionamerica.org](http://www.visionamerica.org)

#### Mission Statement

The mission of Vision America is to inform, encourage and mobilize pastors and congregations to be proactive in restoring Judeo-Christian values into the culture and civil institutions in our nation.

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