

Impact Steps and Resource Guide

to having a Godly impact on your community and society

As a Christian church or as individual Christians, there are many, many things we can do to influence the communities where we live. We encourage you pray about these and to take any and all steps that you think are a God-honoring way to improve our society.

“Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the LORD for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.”

Jeremiah 29:7 (NIV)

This command was given to the Jews even while they were in exile in a foreign land. We should take this to heart all the more while living in our native country until we move home to be with our Lord. A growing number of things in our society are contrary to “peace and prosperity”. As Christians we must not stand by and simply watch the degradation of society, while we do nothing.

If you are a pastor or other church leader, you may want to find volunteers within your church family with skills in leading and organizing to help your church expand their impact on your community.

Here are next steps to take to help the church have a greater impact and resources to support you with this endeavor.

Training / Education

While there are many opportunities for education, the first step we recommend is an eight week video class called ***“Biblical Citizenship in Modern America”*** provided by Patriot Academy (see page 4).

This class educates attendees about the true Christian heritage of our country and of our Constitution, and the Biblical responsibilities placed upon citizens.



Pastors and Church Leaders

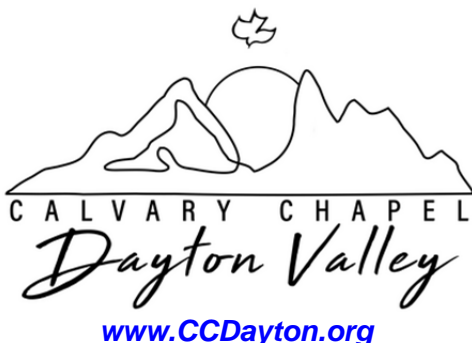
- Host a ***“Biblical Citizenship”*** class at your church

Community Impact Northern Nevada will be happy to help facilitate this class. You're not alone.

Every Christian

- Attend a ***“Biblical Citizenship”*** class, preferably at your church. See page four for the Patriot Academy link where you can find and join classes.

www.patriotacademy.com/coach/find-a-class



Protect our Children



Pastors and Church Leaders

- Become a sponsor of a local pregnancy care organization
- Promote donations and volunteerism for a local pregnancy care organization
- Preach about the sanctity of life
- Promote attendance “March for Life” and similar events
- Support organizations combating child/human trafficking
- Help to educate members and the public to recognize signs of trafficking
- Host a “child safety resource event” with information on internet safety, drug prevention, cell phone abuse, Etc.

Every Christian

- Donate to a local pregnancy care organization
- Volunteer at a local pregnancy care organization
- Attend marches, rallies or other events in support of Right to Life
- Donate to or volunteer with organizations combating child/human trafficking
- Educate yourself on how to recognize signs of trafficking and how to report concerns
- Become a foster parent or support a foster family
- Sponsor kids through Compassion International or World Vision

Influence Government Schools and Libraries



Pastors and Church Leaders

- Promote and support home schooling or Christian private schools
- Start a Christian school
- Provide scholarships to families
- Teach about parents rights & duty to teach children Christian values
- Get to know local school board members, principals & teachers
- Hold wholesome events at the public library
- Start after school clubs such as: Good News Club, Trail Life USA, American Heritage Girls

Every Christian

- Homeschool or use a Christian private school if possible
- Pay tuition for grandchildren/relatives to attend private Christian school
- Get involved: attend school board meetings, join PTA, attend school events
- Apply to be appointed as a Library Trustee
- Run for school board trustee
- Search for and expose objectionable material in your school and library and ask that it be removed
- Donate wholesome books to libraries
- Volunteer to be a coach, mentor, or room-parent
- Stay informed, join with other parents, object and opt-out when needed

Influence Government



Pastors and Church Leaders

- Learn about the influence of pastors on America's history
- Teach about the church's role in the public square
- Start a Community Impact Team at your church
- Get to know local elected officials, build relationships and pray for them
- Hold a "Town Hall" or "Candidate Meet & Greet"
- Ask how your church can partner in serving the needs of the community

Individual Christians

- Join a Community Impact Team
- Get to know local elected officials, build relationships and pray for them
- Stay informed about issues & decisions being made by elected officials
- Attend Board meetings and legislative sessions and give input
- Apply to serve on your Community Advisory Board (or similar position)
- Share helpful community information on social media

Influence Elections



Pastors and Church Leaders

- Simply encourage your members to vote
- Encourage your members to vote with their Biblical values as a priority
- Provide a voter's guide that asks members to compare candidates with the evidence of fruits of the spirit
- Encourage your members to run for elected office
- Organize a ballot collection system so that members can bring their ballots with them to church services for transport to the official county ballot boxes.

Individual Christians

- Vote in EVERY election. Even the "small ones". Your local school board and county commissioners can have a big impact on your community.
- Vote your Biblical values
- Compare candidates with the evidence of fruits of the spirit
- Run for elected position such as school board, city council or county commissioner.
- Participate in signature gathering for initiatives
- Support and donate to Christian candidates
- Share election information / voter guides

Recommended Resources

TPUSA Faith

tpusafaith.com

TPUSA Faith exists to serve the American church by providing resources to Christians to boldly stand for truth, liberty, and The Kingdom. We equip, and empower Americans who to defend our God-given rights, by giving them the tools to articulate the connection between Faith and Freedom.



Turning Point Action

tpaction.com

Turning Point Action was founded with the mission to embolden the conservative base through grassroots activism and provide voters with the necessary resources to elect true conservative leaders, for America. We provide support to run for office at the local level and provide voters with critical information about their district's candidates and elections.



American Christian Caucus

accaucus.com

ACC is a grassroots movement committed to preserving and promoting conservative Christian values in Nevada. Founded by pastors, and concerned citizens within the Church.

We stand as a steadfast force shaping our community and nation for the long term. Our mission revolves around advocating for Biblical Sound Public Policy, defending Family Values against cultural assaults, safeguarding Religious Liberty, championing Pro-life principles, upholding the authority of Parental Rights, and promoting the Constitution, liberty, and economic freedom.



Faith Wins

faithwins.org

Faith Wins is dedicated to educating, activating and mobilizing faith leaders, helping them leverage their influence and impact within the governmental and political arena by providing leaders with resources, identifying church liaisons, conducting voter registration, and connecting with political thought leaders and elected officials.



Patriot Academy

patriotacademy.com

Patriot Academy's bold mission is to equip and educate a generation of citizen leaders to champion the cause of freedom and truth in every sector of society, as we help restore our Constitutional Republic and the Biblical principles that cause a Nation to thrive. Creators of *the Biblical Citizenship* course and *Constitution Alive* curriculum.



WallBuilders

wallbuilders.com

Helping restore America's Biblical foundation by teaching the truth about our nation's Godly heritage with all the resources you need from the world's largest private collections of United States historical documents. Providing support for pastors & churches by emphasizing their unique and vital role throughout our history. We teach and encourage local congregations to exercise their individual and collective influence in their communities.

