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# ON WATCH IN WASHINGTON

Intercessors for America's PRAYER ALERT

June 29, 2011

## NEW YORK GOVERNOR SIGNS LAW APPROVING GAY MARRIAGES

Governor Andrew Cuomo made same-sex marriages legal in New York on Friday, a key victory for gay rights ahead of the 2012 presidential and congressional elections. New York will become the sixth and most populous US state to allow gay marriage. State senators voted 33-29 on Friday evening to approve marriage equality legislation and Cuomo, a Democrat who had introduced the measure, signed it into law.

New York lawmakers narrowly voted to legalize same-sex marriage Friday, handing activists a breakthrough victory in the state where the gay rights movement was born. New York will become the sixth state where gay couples can wed and the biggest by far. "We are leaders and we join other proud states that recognize our families, and the battle will now go on in other states," said Sen. Thomas Duane, a Democrat.

By the signing of this measure into law it has opened the door by inviting the spiritually blind to walk in degradation, accepting a reduction in rank, dignity, standing, losing their honor of a sound reputation, accepting humiliation, and moral and intellectual decay which eventually leads a soul to eternal damnation unless they repent. (Contributors: [Associated Press](#), [The Jerusalem Post](#), Capitol Hill Prayer Partners)

**Ask the Heavenly Father to bind this edict from gaining acceptance in the hearts of the populace of New York. Ask the Lord to loose the power of His holy and eternal love to each of those who will turn back to God and denounce this unrighteous lifestyle.**

*"Take heed that no man deceive you." (Matthew 24:4)*

*"God be merciful to me a sinner." (Luke 18:13)*

*"For Jesus, the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." (Luke 19:10)*

## TAX DISPUTE STALLS DEBT TALKS

The drive for a major deficit-reduction deal entered a new phase Thursday when Republican negotiators pulled out of bipartisan talks, leaving it to Obama and House Speaker John Boehner to resolve the toughest issues. House Majority Leader Eric Cantor (R., Va.) said he was backing out of the talks for now because the group had reached an impasse over the question of whether tax increases should be included in the deal.

On Friday, struggling to break a perilous deadlock, Obama took direct control of national debt-limit negotiations with both Republicans and Democrats. With the White House warning that the nation's economic stability is at stake, it's one of the most severe tests yet of Obama's presidency.

Although the president may think he can solve this impasse, the truth is that only our Heavenly Father is

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the One who can sort out this mess. The time for the blame game has now come and gone; and the time for bold solutions to our debt problem is at hand. Our lifestyle of greed and overspending has led to this crisis.

[Obama threw the talks on the debt ceiling crisis](#) into further turmoil this past Monday afternoon by proposing a \$600 billion tax hike before even meeting with Republican Senate leader Mitch McConnell.

Just as Democrats and Republicans seemed to be inching toward an agreement that would stave off the prospect of a default on the nation's debts, Obama introduced a measure that is sure to have the GOP howling in opposition. The new wrench in the works drew scorn from conservatives.

"The Democrats' insistence on touting their desire to 'end tax breaks to oil and gas companies' is becoming quite tiresome," wrote Andrew Stiles at the National Review's website. "It's basically their only specific new tax proposal, but would amount to saving just \$21 billion over a decade. That's a long way to \$600 billion."

Other conservatives ridiculed the idea that the White House could be taking such a proposal seriously. (Contributors: [Wall Street Journal](#), [News Max](#), [Associated Press](#))

**Ask God to forgive the elected officials who have taken advantage of the public trust to fund frivolous earmarks. Thank God, under whom this nation was founded, that He does graciously and generously bestow His wisdom upon all who ask.**

*"If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you." (James 1:5)*

## **CHINESE COMPANY EYES BOISE, IDAHO**

As economic power shifts to Asia, Idaho's location makes it a prime site for an industrial foothold. A Chinese national company is interested in developing a 10,000- to 30,000-acre technology zone for industry, retail centers and homes south of the Boise Airport. China National Machinery Industry Corporation (Sinomach for short) plans to construct a "technology zone" south of Boise Airport which would ultimately be up to 50 square miles in size. The company has also sent delegations to Ohio, Michigan, and Pennsylvania this year to talk about setting up research and development bases and industrial parks. (Contributor: [Idaho Statesman](#))

**Pray that the public be made aware of this new maneuver by China to acquire land and industrial leverage in the U.S. Ask that hearings be held in Congress, to verify the legality of these actions, and that boundaries be established where necessary in order to maintain our national sovereignty.**

*"For the eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, And His ears are open to their prayers . . . "* (1 Peter 3:12)

## **MOSLEM REBELLION IN THE U.S.**

Two men have been arrested in the U.S. over a plot to attack a U.S. military recruiting station. The men were charged in the city of Seattle attempting to murder U.S. employees, conspiracy to use grenades, and other offenses. They were found with machine guns and grenades. Abu Khalid Abdul-Latif, 33, of Seattle, and Walli Mujahidh, 32, of Los Angeles, were arrested on Wednesday evening. The men were

arrested by police who had been tipped off by a third man whom the others had allegedly attempted to involve.

On another note in the continuing saga of Moslem rebellion and discontent, [MEMRI](#) reported that a Moslem Brotherhood spokesman called on Arab youth to launch a revolution in the West and establish a global Islamic state.

"The Moslem Brotherhood is organized in 80 countries, and they and the Islamists have a right to establish a global movement, much like global socialism or Zionism . . ."

"Why shouldn't we have a country called 'The United States of Islam' . . . I propose that the Arab peoples . . . take to the streets with the slogan 'The Arab People Wants To Remove the Borders [Between Its Countries].' (Contributors: [MSNBC](#), [Arab Herald](#), [MEMRI](#))

**Give thanks to God for sending this third man who tipped off the authorities, and thank God for giving him the strength to walk away, and not become involved in this mission of death. Ask that more come forth to avert disaster so that innocent lives will not be lost. Ask that an all-out effort be set in place to prevent any further attacks on these recruiting stations in the United States. Ask our Father to cleanse our land of this corruption and evil.**

**Ask God to bring the Moslem Brotherhood and all the Islamists, with all their plans, under the mighty hand of the Lord God of heaven, Creator of the world, the stars, the moon, the sun, and all the universe. Proclaim, "You are God and beside You is none other. We lift up to You all this foolishness and the designs of Satan."**

**Ask our Heavenly Father to destroy this evil and rebellious thinking in our nation and the world. Ask God to reach out to those who would turn their heart to Him, and save their souls. Jesus is the only answer to their struggles to find a real peace.**

*"The strong among the mighty shall speak to him out of the midst of hell with them that help him: they are gone down, they lie uncircumcised, slain by the sword. Say unto them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked: but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn you, turn you, from your evil ways: for why will you die?" (Ezekiel 32:21, 33:11)*

*"Neither shall they defile themselves anymore with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions: but I will save them out of all their dwelling places, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their God." (Ezekiel 38:23)*

## **TELECONFERENCE: LEARN ABOUT MERCURY & THE UNBORN**

**Learn why every state in the U.S. has a mercury fish warning!**

**EEN Teleconference with Dr. Phil Landrigan, MD**

**Wednesday, June 29 - 3:30 PM ET**

**"Christians need to sharpen their minds." --Derek Prince**

To promote political balance and informed intercession and public comment on the proposed standards to limit mercury and other toxic heavy metal power plant pollution which the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is mandated to implement, Dr. Phil Landrigan of the Mount Sinai Medical Center, NYC, and Rev. Galen Carey of the National Association of Evangelicals, and Rev. Mitch Hescox of the Evangelical Environmental Network (EEN) have agreed to present a telephone briefing on the toxic effects of Mercury on Unborn Children.

One-in-six babies in the USA, some 700,000 per year, are now born with dangerously high levels of mercury in their blood. Laws passed by Congress to curb poisonous emissions from coal power plants and signed into law by President H. W. Bush have not been implemented for 20 years. Poorer pregnant women often rely on locally caught fish for nutrition.

Dr. Phil Landrigan is Director of the Children's Environmental Health Center and Chair of the Department of Preventative Medicine at the Mount Sinai Medical Center, NYC. He is also the author of "Raising Children Toxic Free," and is a devoted Christian, father and grandfather. Dr. Landrigan will discuss the impacts of mercury pollution on the unborn and what actions we can take to address it. He will also entertain your questions.

Joining Dr. Landrigan will be Rev. Galen Carey of the National Association of Evangelicals (NAE) and Rev. Mitch Hescocx of the Evangelical Environmental Network (EEN).

For [background on the impacts of mercury on the unborn click here](#). For a brief [video on mercury & unborn click here](#).

**WHEN:** 3:30 PM ET, Wednesday June 29, 2011

**SPEAKERS:** Dr. Phil Landrigan, Rev. Galen Carey, Rev. Mitch Hescocx

**CALL-IN:** 1-605-475-4800 pin: 827289#

#### **CALL2FALL- JULY 3, 2011**

Dear Praying Friend,

Thank you for being an important part of the growing Christian prayer movement. The growth of this movement is the greatest sign of hope we have in America today!

On Sunday, July 3, 2011, thousands of Christians from across our nation will join together in prayer for our nation in what is called a Call2Fall. This began three years ago when I was stopped in my tracks by an elderly woman who challenged me to focus on prayer for our nation with greater intentionality than ever before. Since that time, we've seen hundreds of thousands of Christians join together on their knees in repentant prayer. I am humbled and thankful to be part of this. I want to invite you and your church and prayer organization to join hearts with us as we pray for America on Sunday, July 3rd.

Watch our short [promotional video](#) about the first prayer in the Continental Congress. At another desperate time in our nation's history, that prayer moved many of our founding fathers to tears, and to nation-changing faith and action. We hope you will find this story encouraging and like our founding fathers in 1774, on the eve of war with Great Britain, we will together, declare our dependence upon God—even as we celebrate our independence.

If you are a pastor, please set aside a few minutes in your church's July 3rd worship service to pray for our nation. If you are a prayer warrior, ask your pastor to participate and urge your prayer network to unite with believers across the land to pray in this way. Churches and individuals can sign up at [www.call2fall.com](http://www.call2fall.com) by clicking "[I'm in.](#)" By signing up, churches can let believers in your community know your church will be participating.

Also, please help us get the word out for Call2Fall during the next week before July 3rd. As we unite our hearts and cry out to God, He will hear our prayers and respond. We stand with you in great expectation of a mighty move of God!

For His glory and fame,  
Tony Perkins  
President  
Family Research Council

P.S. If you have questions about Call2Fall, please visit [www.call2fall.com](http://www.call2fall.com) or call us toll free at 800-225-4008. Thank you for standing with us!

Other videos for Call2Fall can be accessed by going [here](#).

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## **U.S. CONGRESSIONAL PRAYER CAUCUS:**

The Congressional Prayer Caucus, an official caucus of the U.S. House of Representatives, is a bipartisan group of over 80 Members dedicated to preserving our religious heritage and protecting religious liberty in America.

### **107 Members of Congress Express Concern to NBC Over Omission of "under God" from Pledge of Allegiance**

**Washington, D.C.** – Congressman J. Randy Forbes (VA-04), Chairman of the Congressional Prayer Caucus, announced today that he and 107 other Members of Congress have sent a bipartisan letter to Mr. Stephen Burke, Chief Executive Officer of NBCUniversal, to express their serious concern about NBC's decision to omit "under God" from the Pledge of Allegiance twice during the June 19, 2011 broadcast of the U.S. Open. The [video montage](#) containing the omissions, intended to celebrate American patriotism, instead alienated millions of viewers who place great value on all of our nation's proud history--including its religious heritage.

Although NBC apologized for the omission, Congressman Forbes and 107 of his colleagues remain concerned that the back-to-back omissions were not inadvertent and are troubled that the altered Pledge of Allegiance was allowed to air in the first place. As a result, they have requested that NBC implement a policy to ensure that the Pledge of Allegiance is not altered in future broadcasts. A copy of the letter sent to Mr. Burke with a list of the cosigners is available [here](#), and the text of the letter is below.

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Mr. Stephen B. Burke  
Chief Executive Officer  
NBCUniversal, LLC  
30 Rockefeller Plaza  
New York, NY 10112

Dear Mr. Burke,

We are writing to express our serious concern about NBC's decision to omit "under God" from the Pledge of Allegiance twice during the June 19, 2011 broadcast of the U.S. Open. The video montage containing the omissions, intended to celebrate American patriotism, instead alienated millions of viewers who place great value on all of our nation's proud history- including its religious heritage.

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After viewing the video montage, it seems clear that the back-to-back omissions of “under God, indivisible,” and “one nation under God, indivisible” from recitations of the Pledge were not inadvertent. Although we are aware that NBC has apologized for the omissions, we are concerned that the video was allowed to air with the altered Pledge of Allegiance in the first place. The video was undoubtedly approved by NBC officials prior to airing, and it is troubling that the network allowed these patently offensive omissions to proceed. The decision is even more offensive, given that in 1954, Congress amended the Pledge specifically to add “under God,” the very words that NBC excluded.

As Members of Congress, we are disturbed that the official Pledge of our nation was altered in this way. We live in a society where there are increasing efforts to remove all mention of religion from public life, and we remain dedicated to defending against such attempts. As a key player in shaping the national dialogue through various media outlets, we are interested to know what steps NBC has taken to prevent America’s religious heritage from being obscured in this manner. We request that you implement a policy to ensure that the Pledge of Allegiance is not altered in future broadcasts.