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Make History with IFA's Legal Brief to Reverse *Roe v. Wade*

Dave Kubal, IFA President/CEO

IFA was founded in 1973, in the dark shadow of *Roe v. Wade*, which legalized abortion across this nation. My heart breaks when I consider the United States is in the company of China and North Korea, among the few countries that permit elective abortions after 20 weeks' gestation. Since our founding, intercessors have prayed countless hours appealing for life. We have persevered in fervent prayer for life for 48 years.

I have good news; **our prayers are bearing fruit!** In the fall of 2021, the Supreme Court will hear a Mississippi case, *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health*, which could become the first ruling to allow states to impose meaningful limits on abortion.

The Supreme Court will review the question, "Whether all previability prohibitions on elective abortion are unconstitutional." In July, the Mississippi Attorney General called *Roe v. Wade* "egregiously wrong" and will argue for the justices to end the constitutional right to abortion.

You have an opportunity to be a part of this legal history! On July 29, Intercessors for America (IFA) filed a legal brief with the Supreme Court on behalf of you, our intercessors, and we are now mobilizing the nation to pray to God to end legal abortion in America. The legal team working for IFA has filed over 140 amicus briefs with the Supreme Court and their work has been quoted by justices. The IFA amicus brief includes bona fide legal arguments made from a biblical point of view, expressing the heart of God for the unborn.

I am inviting you to join millions of other intercessors by signing the attached prayer in support of this official legal brief that will be a part of U.S. judicial history forever. Never in

history has there been a legal argument filed making a biblical case for life that includes the prayers of faithful Americans.

We are mobilizing every prayer warrior to appeal to the Courts of Heaven to end abortion and we need your help. Will you join me in getting the word out about this historic opportunity? Please direct all your friends and family to go to AppealforLife.com to add their names to the Supreme Court record.

The full IFA amicus brief is available at <u>AppealforLife.com</u>. The arguments we present to all nine justices are true: The Supreme Court, through Roe and other rulings, has essentially established paganism as our national religion; this has opened our nation and citizens to God's righteous temporal judgments.

READ THE FULL AMICUS BRIEF & SIGN THE PRAYER

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With the recent confirmation of Justice Amy Coney Barrett, there are now six conservative justices on the Supreme Court. Our prayers can make the difference for millions of unborn children who are counting on us to appeal to the Courts of Heaven on their behalf. Please stand with unborn children and IFA today! Submit your prayer and commit to intercede for these nine justices to protect life in this historic case. Together we can pray to end the tragedy of *Roe v. Wade*.

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Praying for Congressional Families

Suni Piper, IFA Contributing Writer

It is the mission of IFA to pray for elected officials. But also crucial is intercession for spouses and children of leaders. An entire family signs up for a life of public service, not just the elected official.

We recently interviewed former and current congressional wives Rachel Duffy (Wisconsin), Caroline Aderholt (Alabama), and Nancy Schulze (Pennsylvania).

These powerful women, each accomplished and influential personally, were supportive, encouraging, and honoring of one another. We witnessed the camaraderie and "family" feel that believers on the Hill share.



Duffy, a Fox News host, expressed her gratitude for you. She said, "I'm so glad you are praying for us. It's really hard on congressional families—stressful and a lot of time spent away."

When we are praying for our leaders and their families, especially for those who have committed to live their lives first and foremost for Jesus, we must remember their sacrifice and the challenges they face. They often manage two households in their home states and in Washington. They are missionaries to a "foreign field," ambassadors representing their constituents and God. When asked how IFA can pray for her, Aderholt answered, "That we would be faithful in our calling to Washington. It's not just voting the right way but being faithful to the community we

are put into on the Hill, ministering to the people we work with every day."

These families are very much like our military families. They sacrifice to serve this country. They are dependent on their own families, other congressional families (both parties support one another in this realm), as well as their spiritual families and mentors. The cost of serving at this level is often quite high—it affects marriages and children specifically. Pray for their protection. Pray for their support systems to rally in their time of service.

Aderholt asked that we pray especially for those who are new to congressional service. Pray for their courage and boldness.

Schulze, founder of Republican
Congressional Wives Speakers and
American Prayer Initiative is a fellow
intercessor. She asked us to pray for
Christians on the Hill who feel the
pressure of representing the constituents
who depend on them and who want
to do the right thing. She emphasized
the vital importance of prayer for
spouses, who often serve as the closest
confidants, advisors, and intercessors.

"Politics is a whole layer of life on top of life. My faith was strengthened in congressional life, just as it has been outside of congressional life. [Although retired], we are still extremely active and very much a part of moving the country back to her relationship with the kingdom of God. The nation has strayed so far. Everything that I do is so that this country will return to her founding principles and constitutional roots." Schulze added that there is a real threat "to eliminate any and all Christian, constitutional conservatives."

Intercede in agreement with Schulze, who prayed, "Lord, tether them to Your will, tether them to Your purposes, tether them to Your plans." *IFA

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SEPTEMBER 3, 2021

On the first Friday of every month we encourage intercessors to fast and pray for America using the prayer focuses below.

IFA FILES HISTORIC LEGAL BRIEF

Pray that millions of pro-life
Americans will sign the prayer
that has become part of the
U.S. Supreme Court record.
Pray that the justices and their
clerks would read and consider
the arguments presented in the
brief. Pray that the Supreme
Court would change course
and bring about justice for the
preborn in America. Pray that
God's will would be done and His
kingdom come for the sake of
the preborn children of America.

CHRISTIANS ARE CALLED TO ACTION

Pray for Christians to be faithful to the call of God and honor the sacrifice Jesus made for us. Revival begins in His body. Repent for turning our backs to Him—repent as a person and then on behalf of our nation. Pray that those who call themselves Christians will get up, speak up, stand up! Pray to be rid of any flippant attitudes. Pray that Christians would pray, vote, and take action. Pray also that Christians become informed about what is happening in this nation and about leaders and what they stand for.

PUT ON THE ARMOR OF GOD

Ephesians 6 talks about the armor of God we take up daily. What good does armor do laying on the ground? You must pick it up and put it on! If you choose to put it on, remember why. Why do we need armor? We need armor because we need to be protected in battle. Pray that intercessors would wield their spiritual weapons effectively. (2 Cor 10:3-5)

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IFA Intercessor Audits Arizona Ballots

Gloria Robles, IFA Contributing Writer

In 2020, Cheri Tuttle and her husband, Joe felt like their eyes were opened. They diligently pursued the Lord with a renewed sense of passion and perspective. They began weekly prayer for the nation with two other couples using IFA prayer guides. Cheri then felt pressed by the Lord to take action.

At a meeting of NorthWest Valley Christian Conservatives, attendants were invited to help the Arizona election audit. Cheri and Joe knew this was God's direction. Then, over and over, she saw the Lord responding to prayer for Arizona and the election.

Cheri witnessed God's hand on the audit from the very beginning. The 350 volunteers shared a purpose. Cheri said, "It was a group of people who love America; all we wanted was to pursue the truth."

From the start, Doug Logan, the CEO of Cyber Ninjas and audit leader, inspired Cheri. He spoke about living above reproach and repenting as individuals and as a nation. She believes that every person involved in the audit and every speaker was handpicked by God.

One of Logan's requirements for the audit was a prayer wall. A large white sheet hung in the lobby. People were encouraged to write their prayers, and they did. It became so full that poster boards were added on each side.



When asked how she saw the hand of God through the audit process, Cheri replied, "There was no way we could have ever done this if it weren't for God." Groups threatened to protest at the audit and dox the volunteers. Cheri said, "I'm not a brave person. There was such a positive atmosphere—the peace of God was there. I knew the building was protected, and as for all those threats, the group never even showed up. I definitely felt God's strength."

Cheri also credits the Lord for supernaturally sustaining her and Joe, who are retired and in their 70s. "The audit process has been lengthy and tedious. Joe and I took double shifts, working 10 hours counting an average of 5,000 ballots daily. God blessed us with fresh strength and peace each morning that sustained us throughout the day."

Cheri offered encouragement for intercessors, "If you feel a call from God to take action, then He will give you the opportunity to do it. Step out in faith and He will give you exactly what you need. God will let you know where He wants you. Make yourself available. This is cooperating with God. When we pray 'on earth as it is in heaven', I don't think people realize that God wants us to be His vessels here on earth."

"This nation was God's idea. He brought a group of people here and founded a nation on His biblical principles. I have repented for how we have let this go over the years. But I know that even now it is not too late. God has not brought us here and turned His back on us. We are not done yet! When God's people choose to speak up, stand up, and call on the Lord He shows up. What God began in this nation He will finish! The fight is not over. God is still in control here!"

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Appealing for IIEE

Nothing is more precious to God than life—from conception to natural death. Our judicial system should never have legalized the killing of the innocent. Let us seek His face and appeal in unity for the protection of life.

Lord, it grieves my heart to think of the millions of lives lost because of legal abortion; each life is **precious** in your sight, woven together in the womb. We ask that You would **forgive** us of this national sin and cause the U.S. Supreme Court Justices to agree with You that every life is precious. We deserve judgment, but we humbly ask for the wisdom of heaven to bring godly conviction upon our nine Supreme Court Justices. Lord, cause them to rule in favor of protecting life.

Lord, we appeal to You as we appeal for life.
In Jesus' name,
Amen.

Let the Supreme Court Justices know you pray for life, visit appealingforlife.com.

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We the People

are compelled to appeal

TO THE GOD OF HEAVEN

 Ask God to forgive our nation for legalizing the extermination of life. (Prv 24:11-12)

 Ask God to divinely intervene to change our laws to affirm the value of preborn life. (Ex 20:13)

Ask God to have mercy on our nation for the shedding of innocent blood. (Is 60:12)

TO THE CHURCH

Pray for the Church to unequivocally defend and protect preborn life. (Prv 31:8)

Pray for the Church to cry out to God to be messengers of truth about the value of preborn life. (Eph 3:10)

THE COURTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Pray that the Supreme Court would agree with the Courts of Heaven that life is precious and should be protected by law. (Ps 139:13-14)

Pray that the Supreme Court would annul the "covenant of death." (Is 28:18, 22)

 Pray for lawyers, judges, and justices to seek God for guidance in ruling. (Is 1:17)





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HOMESCHOOL RATE SURGES

Since the Covid pandemic began, we asked you to pray that families would reconsider the impact of public schooling on their children and be more involved in their child's education. Census Bureau statistics now show that the rate of households homeschooling doubled from 5.4% to 11% from March to September 2020. The membership of one home educators' association grew from 5,000 before the pandemic to 35,000 currently. One mother described it this way, "There's no turning back for us now. The pandemic has been a blessing -an opportunity to take ownership of

SIGNS OF A CULTURAL SHIFT

our children's education."

There is evidence of a trend against progressive policies. Over 60% of U.S. counties have 2nd Amendment protection laws and 1,930 counties are essentially 2nd Amendment sanctuaries. On abortion, 52% of millennials support a ban on abortions after 20 weeks' gestation. More than half of pro-life millennials consider it an important issue.

TEXAS BANS GOVT CHURCH CLOSURES

HB 1239 became law in Texas:
"A government agency or public official may not issue an order that closes or has the effect of closing places of worship in the state or in a geographic area of the state." State Rep. Scott Sanford, explained its importance, "Churches provide essential spiritual, mental and physical support in a time of crisis. Closing churches not only eliminated these critical ministries and services, but it violated their religious freedom, guaranteed by our laws and Constitution."

HIGH COURT SIDES WITH BIBLICAL STANDARDS

The Supreme Court ruled that the city of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania violated the Constitution by not allowing contracts with a Catholic foster care agency over the group's refusal to use same-sex couples as foster parents.

FLORIDA BOOSTS TRUTH IN EDUCATION

Florida enacted three laws in one day that increase and improve civics education in public schools and ensure that students are taught the "evils of communism and totalitarian ideologies." Governor DeSantis said, "Why would people . . . risk their life to be able to come here? It's important that students understand that. Now as part of this bill, . . . students can learn about real patriots who came to this country after seeing the horrors of these communist regimes."

FIRST FRIDAY SOLUTION FIRST FRIDAY

CONFERENCE CALL SEPTEMBER 3, 2021 12:15 PM ET

Join with thousands across the U.S. in praying for America, its leaders, and its citizens.

Scheduled to appear: Former Secretary of State

MIKE POMPEO

20th Anniversary of 9/11

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