

Gospel Hope & Spiritual Strength for Government Leaders

Dear Friends,

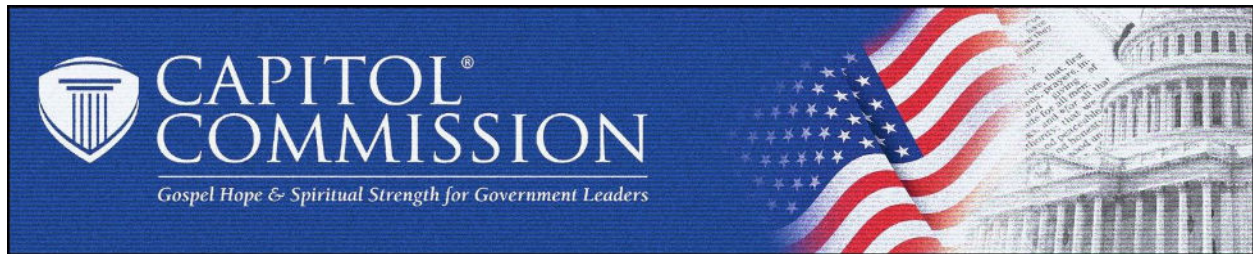
What are you getting when you send a State Minister into the halls of government? Let me answer it this way: I grew up with a plaque on the wall of our cottage which had the classic picture of Jesus that read, “Christ is the unseen guest at every table, the silent listener to every conversation.” Have you ever wanted to be a “fly on the wall” when hearing about some meal or meeting that either went incredibly well, or just the opposite? When in governmental ministry, I’ve been an observer of both. But I promise - **you’d love to see what God is doing in our legislative staff Bible study!** The last two years we’ve begun to offer a lunch during the study time because this is the only time that



staff can gather.

Along with engaging truth, and creative slides for historical context, there has been wonderful participation and engagement. **We need your help to fund the lunches!** With rising costs and group size, we estimate that it will cost almost \$3,000 to get us to the end of the year. **Will you help us reach government staffers with the message of God’s Good News? this year? Just click here to DONATE!**

With summer ministry in full “go” mode, there is a lot to be excited about! I just met the pastor and Mission’s pastor of a large church near Nashville, to share about our work. They will consider us during their annual review in August, but there is great hope in this connection. I also had the privilege to speak in Middle Tennessee at the First Methodist Church of Tullahoma at the Men’s Breakfast. It



was a great group; very eager to learn about the ministry of a chaplain at the Legislature. Representative Rush Bricken was there and introduced me to some of his church family. I'll be going back in early July to present the ministry to the missions committee.

On June 24, the State of Tennessee will be dedicating a new granite monument in memory of the unborn three years to the day of the overturning of Roe v. Wade. In 2018, the legislation was initiated by then Representative Jerry Sexton, and he along with current Senators Tom Hatcher and Janice Bowling saw the legislation through to completion. They will have a ceremony on the Capitol grounds, and I'll be present in support of my good friend Jerry Sexton.

I'll be preaching on July 5 at Central Baptist Church in Alcoa, TN. This is Representative Tom Stinnett's home church, and I also will be teaching on the following Wednesday evening. The following Sunday, I'll be in my home church preaching while our pastor is gone on vacation. He's asked me to give an update on the work of Capitol Commission. Shortly after that, we'll be leaving for a special needs family retreat in Middle Tennessee sponsored by Joni and Friends ministry.

I have several churches this summer who will be considering support for our work. It is a crucial time ahead. Please pray that God will grant favor on our behalf to those who make these decisions. There are always so many ministries and missionaries who seek support, so I know there is nothing certain in these until they say "yes"! At the end of the day, it's not about the money. It's about the Gospel and bringing the Presence of Christ into all that we do and to every person that we meet.

"But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere." 2 Corinthians 2:14 God bless you this summer and beyond,



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Partner with Capitol Commission to advance gospel hope and spiritual strength for government leaders, which is to "sound forth" the Word of God!

Thank you to those who do partner with us so faithfully!