

October 9, 2023

ISSUES AND PROGRAMS

WVOG's program format consists of client religious programs, which address social and moral issues.

The management staff consisting of Fred P. Westenberger, CEO; Eric Westenberger, General Manager, and Chris Westenberger, Program Director, have determined by a wide range of sources the following list of community problems.

Our information on community issues/problems is from a variety of different sources. This includes, but is not limited to, local and national programs, public service announcements, and a coalition between WVOG and the Louisiana Department of Social Services in the form of a local adoption campaign.

It is felt by the management staff that sufficient input has been achieved to determine this Issues and Programs List.

WVOG-AM 600
(Metairie, LA)

Religion – “Focus on the Family”

Family – “Focus on the Family”

Politics – “Focus on the Family”

“Focus on the Family” 9:30am & 11:00am

Various National & local PSA's



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Jobs and Finances:

Monday-Saturday, July – October 2023 – WVOG aired a financial advice program hosted by Steve B. Lucks, “Safe Money Retirement”. This program series helped our listeners understand how to make the most out of their jobs as well as how to stretch their retirement fund after the work is over.

Monday, October 9, 2023 – WVOG aired “Empowering Women to Take Control of their Finances” to help our listeners through one of the touchiest subjects in one’s life. Money does not have to be a touch subject, though, if one knows how to conquer it. Deborah Pegues empowered our listeners to understand their finances better and make strong choices for the future. She burst a few myths and encouraged each listener to develop personal financial goals. Pegues offered strategies to eliminate debt and embrace a successful future.

Health:

Tuesday/Wednesday, September 12/13, 2023 – WVOG ran the two-part program “Clinging to God Through the Pain of Depression” to give our listeners insight on the millions of people who are suffering in silence with depression and gave them hope for available healing. Thoughts of depression and suicide are difficult to address, and when you’re experiencing it for oneself, it can feel impossible to get help. Sara Robinson provided her own story of hope and grace after experiencing the depths of despair in her own life.

Monday/Tuesday, September 25/26, 2023 – Our listeners were offered the two-part series “Five Ingredients You Need for a Healthy Family” to help them shape the home environment to best set the trajectory for good emotional and physical health. Dr. Gary Chapman shared about creating a nurturing environment in each family. He offered valuable lessons he’s learned and unpacked five important traits needed to help each family thrive – including serving together in the community and being a husband who loves and leads his family through life.

Friday, August 18, 2023 – When addiction steps in, the family may be turned upside down. Pastor Victor Torres shared his dramatic story of growing up as a gang member and a heroin addict and how God changed his life on “Helping Your Loved One Find Freedom from Addiction”. Torres identified some signs of substance abuse and offered first steps toward hope and healing for your addicted loved one to finding healing from their addiction.

Religion:

Monday – Friday, July – October 2023 – WVOG aired “Southwest Radio Church” hosted by Larry Spargamino and Jerry Guiltner. This show discusses current trends in Christianity and the church abroad. Various guest speakers and religious experts speak with Hutchings about how the current church is impacted by the world trends.

Monday - Friday, July – October 2023 – Les Feldick on “Through the Bible” teaches Biblical truths and guides our listeners through basic truth theology.

Monday, October 6, 2023 – Bible teacher Ray Vander Laan helped our listeners better understand Scripture in the context of ancient Israel and how to apply it in our lives today on the program “Seeing God’s Word with New Eyes”. He opened a whole new world to the listening audience who were seeking to follow Christ with all their hearts, minds, and souls.

Family Breakdown:

Thursday/Friday, October 5/6, 2023 – Dr. Lee Strobel offered our community a two-part series “Surviving a Spiritual Mismatch” as guidance through one of the most prevalent issues in our community’s marriages. She became a Christian. He remained an atheist. And both found themselves in a difficult and lonely marriage. Strobel explained his “spiritually mismatched marriage” and how their relationship began to thrive. He validated the difficulties it is when a spouse does not understand the other’s faith. Strobel and his wife Leslie spoke about what worked and what did not, and how they were able to navigate through their differences.

Monday -Friday, July – October 2023 – “New Life Live!” aired each weekday to help our community navigate the hardest of interpersonal, personality, and family issues. Steve Arterburn and his varying co-hosts offered their professional counseling expertise to numerous callers each day to bring unity and restoration to families.

Politics:

Monday - Friday, July – October 2023 – WVOG runs a 5-minute program called “Bible News in Focus”. This program focuses on day-by-day politics and current events that directly affect the world through a Biblical worldview.

Thursday, September 14, 2023 – Tim Goeglein encouraged our listeners to honor America’s great spiritual heritage on “A Hopeful View of America’s Future”. He shared about the vision, faith, and hopes of America’s Founding Fathers and the importance of preserving our moral values and religious freedoms through new legislature and policies.