

QUARTERLY ISSUES-RELATED PROGRAMMING REPORT

Second Quarter 2013: April - June

The following report reflects the most significant issues and problems in this community. These issues were derived from careful observation of a cross-section of various local media including newspaper, radio, and television reports among others. Local citizens were also informally polled and their opinions were considered in the compilation of this list.

The issues in this report have been addressed in the programs listed as well as through our regularly scheduled programs, newscasts, and public service announcements. This report has been prepared by the staff of the Bible Broadcasting Network.

Program	Date	Time	Issue	Summary	Length
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/3/2013	5:45 PM	Education	A parent approached their local newspaper about quoting a book that was required reading for their student in their public school. When the newspaper could not publish the language in the book, deeming it too offensive, it paved the way for that parent to appeal to the school board to remove the book from the required reading curriculum.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/4/2013	5:45 PM	Human Rights	People should have Living Wills and designations of the people they want to make decisions for them should they become unable to choose for themselves.	1:30
<i>Weekend Connection</i>	4/6/2013	4:02 PM	Environment Pollution Technology	Managing the environment is a multi-faceted issue involving earth's temperature fluctuations, and how your view of how earth began can affect your reaction to what is happening in nature. We should look at our role as stewards of the earth and think about how technology is related to the issues of the environment.	15:00
<i>Law Talk Weekend</i>	4/6/2013	7:30 AM	Education	Attorney David Gibbs III discusses the history and current victories and challenges of Christian education, both in parochial schools and homeschooling.	15:00
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/10/2013	5:45 PM	Employment	Discrimination policies against Christians is becoming more rampant in the United States, particularly in our colleges and employment arenas. These policies often make it difficult for Christians to maintain lifestyle choices and standards based on their belief of the Scriptures.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/11/2013	5:45 PM	Media	Ministries that utilize social media must state expectations of their employees, including who can represent that ministry, whether personal useage be allowed during working hours as well as policing content.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/12/2013	5:45 PM	Education	If a public school allows attire promoting secular messages, then they must allow attire that displays religious content as well. If school officials desire that banned, then the rule must be no message or promotion on any attire. That would be within their rights, but not any policy that is biased.	1:30
<i>Law Talk Weekend</i>	4/13/2013	7:30 AM	Homosexuality	Attorney David Gibbs III discussed what is ultimately at stake with the redefining of marriage in California, and the potential national implications if the Supreme Court overturns DOMA.	15:00
<i>Weekend Connection</i>	4/13/2013	4:02 PM	Education Family Youth	On this program, guest Todd Patkin helps us define bullying, what it is and what it isn't; and learn how the rise of the internet and social media make the experience more challenging. Mr. Patkin believes it's time for a cultural revolution and that we need to rediscover the power of character and empathy. We also discuss what the role of the school and family is in combating this problem.	15:00
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/16/2013	5:45 PM	Homosexuality	Federal and State Laws generally invoke the age-old privilege of allowing married people to not have to testify against each other thus saving marriages. Now several states and District of Columbia laws are being changed for this spousal privilege to include domestic partners.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/18/2013	5:45 PM	Religious Liberties/Discrimination	Every church, as a business, should practice good habits of record-keeping. That enables the church to operate, from a financial and legal standpoint, efficiently and without fear of any integrity breach should a problem arise.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/19/2013	5:45 PM	Education	One of the most common misunderstanding among public school teachers and leaders is that a student cannot be allowed to give speeches concerning their religion if it names Jesus. This is simply not true. Such action takes away the student's first amendment right to free speech. If the teacher gives the students such latitude to pick their topic, then the student has the right to bring God into the classroom.	1:30
<i>Weekend Connection</i>	4/20/2013	4:02 PM	Economy	Jesse Muehlbauer interviews Ellie Kay, bestselling author and speaker regarding the topic of family finances and budgeting in the home. Ellie describes how to set up and stick with a family budget, not just for the immediate, but for the long haul.	15:00
<i>Law Talk Weekend</i>	4/20/2013	7:30 AM	Life Issues	Attorney David Gibbs III discussed how in a culture of death, no citizens are truly safe. That includes those in the womb, the disabled, the elderly or the mentality challenged. NCLL is fighting to protect the liberties of those most vulnerable.	15:00
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/23/2013	5:45 PM	Child Abuse	Child Abuse is becoming more rampant in churches today than ever before. In response, leadership should take steps to stem this tide. These would include adopting a child abuse legal policy manual, training, and awareness to all of the congregation.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/24/2013	5:45 PM	Religious Liberties/Discrimination	Churches often put themselves in tax jeopardy when it comes to payroll. It is vital that they know federal and state law regarding this. Also, that jeopardy can often transfer to the individual if taxes are unpaid.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/25/2013	5:45 PM	Employment	Churches have the legal right to require teachers and staff of their Christian school to be a member of their church. They can also require they attend all services. To more effectively enforce this policy these requirements should be in writing, clearly stated in the handbook for each person to view before they are hired.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/26/2013	5:45 PM	Abortion	The unborn baby of a 32 year old mentally impaired woman suffering from epilepsy was nearly aborted. A judge was informed of this pregnancy by her doctor. There was a legal guardian appointed to her by the court. The judge held several hearings and it was decided to allow her to carry the baby and she then wanted to give the child up for adoption to a married couple.	1:30
<i>Law Talk Weekend</i>	4/27/2013	7:30 AM	Civil Liberties	Attorney David Gibbs III discusses how basic civil and religious liberties work according to the Constitution, how they are being threatened, and how to react to secure justice.	15:00

<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/29/2013	5:45 PM	Government	Until 2012 the Federal government never had a written policy to legally recognize same sex partners or illegal aliens as family members. This is important because the department of Homeland Security has now decided and written into policy that same- sex partners be considered as family members. This coincides with President Obama's earlier announcement in favor of same-sex marriage.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	4/30/2013	5:45 PM	Consumer Protection	Federal regulations are now in effect governing the use of infant cribs in places such as churches and daycare facilities. It is recommended that crib manufacturers be contacted to ensure their cribs comply with federal law CFR1219 or CFR1220. If this cannot be verified, they could be subject to a lawsuit should anything happen to a baby while in that crib.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/1/2013	5:45 PM	Community Planning	Churches, more than ever before, are facing discrimination from local governments concerning the rental of local buildings. The complaint usually includes invoking separation of church and state. The fact is, that legally, churches are to be treated like any secular group when it comes to renting facilities.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/2/2013	5:45 PM	Child Abuse	Church staff and leadership should be aware of all the moral, legal and ethical responsibilities when it comes to protecting the church's children from child abuse.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/3/2013	5:45 PM	Education	Students who graduate from their public high school, can in fact, if called upon, include anything they wish about religion and their relationship to God -- censor-free! The only recourse for the school is to put a disclaimer in the program, but that is all.	1:30
<i>Weekend Connection</i>	5/4/2013	4:02 PM	Religious Liberties/Discrimination	Dr. Erwin Lutzer discusses his book, "The Cross in the Shadow of the Crescent." Dr. Lutzer explains the growth of Islam in the US, and the world. He explains that acceptance of Islam often means the diminishment of rights of Christians, and the reduction of human rights overall.	15:00
<i>Law Talk Weekend</i>	5/4/2013	7:30 AM	Religious Liberties/Discrimination	Attorney David Gibbs III discussed how much leeway a pastor has in the pulpit in addressing political issues both in and out of an election season.	15:00
<i>Weekend Connection</i>	5/4/2013	4:02 PM	Citizenship Morality	In this episode Vic Gregory talks with Rick Astle. Rev. Astle is a revivalist who provides conservative, Biblical teaching for the body of Christ that promotes the kind of humility, prayer, brokenness and sincere repentance that leads to true revival and spiritual awakening. Rick talks about the need to pray for our nation and it's leaders and how to effectively pray on the National Day of Prayer.	15:00
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/6/2013	5:45 PM	Religious Liberties/Discrimination	It is always legally pragmatic to keep church financial records on site in case of a dispute or some other disagreement that might arise. Officers and board members have a legal right to all the records at any time.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/7/2013	5:45 PM	Youth Child Abuse	No matter the size of a church, child-abuse policies including should be specifically written and enforced, should something arises.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/7/2013	5:45 PM	Religious Liberties/Discrimination	It is very important that every church have by-laws that state clearly what their obligation is to the pastor and other staff should they decide to remove them from their position. without this, the pastor and staff could be released without any compensation at all.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/8/2013	5:45 PM	Education Civil Liberties	Students have the legal right to talk about their religious beliefs in public schools. It is given them by the free exercise clause of the First Amendment. Students have the right to share their faith in God.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/9/2013	5:45 PM	Employment	Every church or ministry should have a policy in place with guidelines for a standard of conduct regarding single women and men that they employ. They should, as a requirement for employment, sign a statement giving the church cause to terminate employment for a moral breach of ethics.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/10/2013	5:45 PM	Homosexuality Religious Liberties/Discrimination	A case was reported that a couple of homosexuals walked into a church and doing something not acceptable by the church's standards. When asked to leave, they threatened the church with a lawsuit. What they didn't know is that they have no legal ground to stand upon, because a church indeed has the legal authority and right to ask someone to leave without explanation if their behavior is unacceptable.	1:30
<i>Law Talk Weekend</i>	5/11/2013	7:30 AM	Education	Attorney David Gibbs III discussed the volatile debate today surrounding vouchers for private and/or religious schools and some of the challenges Christian educators face.	15:00
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/13/2013	5:45 PM	Immigration Employment	A church should be careful regarding employing those who are in this country illegally. Those employees should be given a 99 Form and ensure its accuracy. Failure to do so could bring a charge of perjury and jail time to the leadership of that ministry.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/14/2013	5:45 PM	Human Rights Moral Issues Homosexuality	There is a movement arising in our nation that mandates "gender identity", so as to accomodate transexuals. This would affect restrooms, locker rooms and so on.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/15/2013	5:45 PM	Religious Liberties/Discrimination	Each state has certain requirements for becoming and advertising oneself for being a professional licensed counselor. These requirements often include but are not limited to a doctorate or master's degree in counseling as well as a certain number of hours of practice prior to obtaining the state-issued license. This license does not restrict the counselor's right to pray or read Scripture with their clients. The state cannot restrict the contents of the session.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/16/2013	5:45 PM	Education	Homeschooling is not just a legal option of education for children but allows the parents to meet the needs of the individual child. Every state law is different so it is important that every parent know its state's requirements in the event of a challenge by that state. Thus, the parents are covered legally with all the areas that their state requires should they be challenged by that state.	1:30
<i>Weekend Connection</i>	5/18/2013	4:02 PM	Senior Citizens Healthcare	According to Author Judith Bohannon, almost 5.5 million Americans currently suffer from Alzheimers disease and 15 million people serve as caregivers. This crippling disease offers challenges as well as frustrations, for the patient as well as the caregiver. On this program, Steven Brown and Judith Bohannon discuss the physical and emotional stresses of Alzheimers and how it can deal a crippling blow to the emotions and relationships within the family.	15:00

<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/23/2013	5:45 PM	Education	A school was in violation of the Constitution's Establishment Clause because a public school history teacher told the students that the Bible did not teach or explain homosexuality or gay marriage. Of course, while the teacher is not allowed to teach what the Bible says, they are equally not allowed to tell their students what he or she thinks the Bible does not teach or explain. CLA notified the school and the situation was made right.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/24/2013	5:45 PM	Abortion Morality	In some cases, nurses are being forced to help with abortions. They are being threatened with charges of patient abandonment and not following orders by the doctor which could lead to the loss of their nursing license and profession. Some medical providers are trying to change their policies to accommodate the employee's religious beliefs and rights.	1:30
<i>Weekend Connection</i>	5/25/2013	4:02 PM	Technology Life Issues Medical Issues	Jesse Muehlbauer interviews Dawn McBane, biotech analyst for CitizenLink, on the topic of embryonic versus adult stem cell research.	15:00
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/27/2013	5:45 PM	Finances	A man died and left a one-third of his estate home to his church. The executor decided not to honor the will of the deceased and rented the home. By law, the church would still be entitled to their portion of any sale, or the same portion for rent until the property is sold.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/29/2013	5:45 PM	Healthcare	New health-care laws can be problematic for ministries that have fifty or more employees. They are now required, under those guidelines, to provide such insurance.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/30/2013	5:45 PM	Education	Many Christian Schools do not receive accreditation from the state. It can cause problems with the students that graduate from these schools. It is important that parents know exactly whether their homeschooling associations like an umbrella school service or home school co-operatives are accredited or not. It can save headaches when the students want to go to college after graduating.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	5/31/2013	5:45 PM	Employment	Ministries should know what their contract guidelines are. This is vital when forced to handle breach-of-contract situations, especially if that employee chooses not to leave if and when asked to.	1:30
<i>Weekend Connection</i>	6/1/2013	4:02 PM	Religious Liberties/Discrimination Human Rights	Vic Gregory talked with Todd Nettleton of Voice of the Martyrs about persecuted Christians around the World. Nettleton informed us about the attitude of these courageous saints as well as how we in America can help them.	15:00
<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/3/2013	5:45 PM	Crime/Law & Order	Pastors, like anyone else who quotes copyright materials on a website should secure permission or factually know that such permission is not necessary before posting, lest they be liable of breaking copyright laws.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/4/2013	5:45 PM	Moral Issues Child Abuse	In light of the many sexual charges of abuse and child molestation against people even in churches, pastors are being urged to adopt a strongly-worded, clearly-stated Child Abuse policy. It should be stated, even from the pulpit, that this type of behavior will not be tolerated, and that potential suspects will be charged to the fullest extent of the law.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/5/2013	5:45 PM	Religious Liberties/Discrimination	The mother of a public-school student called CLA after her daughter was told by her principal that it was against school policy to hand out Gospel literature to her classmates. If that is school policy, then it is an illegal one. While teachers are prohibited from doing so doesn't include the students.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/6/2013	5:45 PM	Employment	In an age of political correctness, Christians who express their faith in the workplace (although not illegal if not done during work-time), should use discretion in what they say and how they act. Their walk needs to be consistent with their talk.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/7/2013	5:45 PM	Family	Children who are in homes involved with divorce often are in our Christian Schools. This can create a problem if the administrator, even inadvertently, takes sides in a custody battle or any other conflict. It is important for the school to officially remain neutral.	1:30
<i>Weekend Connection</i>	6/8/2013	4:02 PM	Homosexuality Moral Issues Family	Rev. Ernie Scalabrin, a counselor with GospelGuidance.com and the Navigators, discusses "Same Sex Marriage-A Christian's Response. Rev. Scalabrin explains what the Bible says about same sex relationships, how same sex marriages affect the church and the family, and how Christians should respond to those who endorse same sex marriage.	15:00
<i>Law Talk Weekend</i>	6/8/2013	7:30 AM	Moral Issues	Attorney David Gibbs III discussed some of the developing issues threatening our liberties, including Vermont legalizing doctor assisted suicide, challenges homeschool families are facing, and church and state issues.	15:00
<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/11/2013	5:45 PM	Employment	Christian schools should have parent/student handbooks that specifically state all school policies. Parents and students should be required to read it, and sign a statement that says they did. This avoids any questions on how any issue should be handled.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/12/2013	5:45 PM	Religious Liberties/Discrimination	The Supreme Courts interpretation of the Establishment Clause prohibits the government from establishing or endorsing religion or non-religion or one religion over another. This prohibition does not apply to privately owned businesses. The owners may display any religious materials they want and may also play any religious music they choose. If patrons do not like it they are free to leave and not patronize these establishments, but cannot do anything legally to stop them from their religious displays.	1:30
<i>Weekend Connection</i>	6/14/2013	4:02 PM	Consumer Protection Crime/Law & Order	Eva Velasquez, President and CEO of the Identity Theft Resource Center. ITRC (Identity Theft Resource Center) is a non-profit, national organization dedicated exclusively to the understanding of identity theft and its related issues. Identity theft continues to be one of the fastest growing crimes in the United States. It happens when someone steals personal information and uses it without your permission. It's a serious crime that can wreak havoc with your finances, credit history, and reputation — and can take time, money, and patience to resolve. The program discusses how listeners can protect their identity, by keeping their personal information secure, at home and on-line.	15:00
<i>Law Talk Weekend</i>	6/15/2013	7:30 AM	Religious Liberties/Discrimination Youth	Attorney David Gibbs III discussed freedoms churches take for granted, including the ability to hold VBS. Then, he discussed the privacy violations schools are committing against students under the guise of "safety."	15:00

<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/17/2013	5:45 PM	Education Youth	Christian schools are certainly not exempt from having to deal with the bullying problem. CLA advises parents of children being bullied to know the school rules and take action if necessary. In turn, the school should have specific rules and policies in place to address this problem.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/19/2013	5:45 PM	Education	CLA advises Christian schools to require parental permission for each and every individual field trip rather than a blanket permission that covers the entire year. Not doing so could open up the school and parents to potential lawsuits in the event of an accident.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/20/2013	5:45 PM	Child Abuse Crime/Law & Order	Churches must be mindful about the need for background checks on all full time volunteers and those on the staff of the church or school. These checks should include criminal and civil violation checks as well as checks for any sexual charges. Even those should include teachers, pastors and staff of anyone who will have children in their care.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/21/2013	5:45 PM	Religious Liberties/Discrimination	One of the longest-standing traditions is being uprooted. An atheist group has sued a city because they had prayer before their meetings, citing that it was a government establishment of religion. Their ultimate goal is to destroy any mention of God in open forums. The Establish Clause was not formed in order to stop prayers in government but the to protect the people to have freedom of religion.	1:30
<i>Law Talk Weekend</i>	6/22/2013	7:30 AM	Civil Liberties Military Religious Liberties	Attorney David Gibbs III discusses boundaries of which self defense comes into play in light of the George Zimmerman case. He also discussed how many chaplains are facing pressure within the military to not pray in Jesus' name.	15:00
<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/24/2013	5:45 PM	Education Youth	A background check on a home-schooled student revealed no schooling due to no accreditation. Employers and colleges have the right to require that applicants take a GED exam in these instances. If the applicant can show proof of successfully completing the state-required classes, they can become exempt from taking this exam.	1:30
<i>Legal Alert</i>	6/25/2013	5:45 PM	Crime/Law & Order	A city made an attempt to force a church to obtain a business license. This license would stipulate that the church would need permission to hold services or operate their facility for any and all such events. This is not lawful.	1:30
<i>Weekend Connection</i>	6/29/2013	4:02 PM	Pornography	Dr. Douglas Stauffer and Jesse Muehlbauer discuss why pornography is destructive to homes and societies, and how to over come addictions in the Christian life.	15:00
<i>Law Talk Weekend</i>	6/29/2013	7:30 AM	Crime/Law & Order Transportation Education	Attorney David Gibbs discusses what to do if you are ever arrested in light of the fifth amendment. Then, he address listeners questions about automobile accidents and the proper response during the incident. Finally, he discussed the rights of children in public schools when teachers do things which are unconstitutional.	15:00