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This report contains

Section 1: Issues and Concerns in the Fayetteville, NC metro and surrounding area, including how WCLN-FM addressed those issues.

Section 2: Various Live Public Service Announcements & Programs on WCLN-FM for community benefit.

Section 1: Issues and Concerns in the Fayetteville, NC Area

Issue: Political Tensions

Air Date: 10/7/2023

Air Time: 0700

Synopsis: Over the last few years, there has been a growing tension between people who are politically liberal and people who are politically conservative. Despite appearances, though, conservatives and liberals actually have more in common than you might think, and a friendly conversation can go a long way in rebuilding that bridge.

This week on Family Policy Matters, host Traci DeVette Griggs welcomes Liz Boulware and Laura Gilliom, leaders in the organization Braver Angels, to discuss the organization and the benefits of bringing together individuals from both sides of the political aisle.

Issue: Infrastructure Development

Air Date: 10/12/2023

Air Time: 0900

Synopsis: WCLN's Dan DeBruler discusses public utilities with Lexi Hasapis from Fayetteville's Public Works Commission. They cover energy conservation, water and wastewater systems, and the community benefits of public power. Lexi highlights PWC's non-profit nature, infrastructure investment, and educational efforts. The episode also delves into the distinctions between utility types, annexation advantages, changes in time of use rates, holiday observances, and hurricane season preparedness. The host appreciates Lexi's informative contributions, and they both acknowledge the Veterans Day parade and hope for a peaceful hurricane season conclusion.

Issue: NC Legislature

Air Date: 10/14/2023

Air Time: 0700

Synopsis: This year's legislative session has been full of ups and downs, highs and lows. Our state legislature has debated the issues of human life, gender, parental rights, school choice, predatory gambling, marijuana legalization, and so much more. We've had some significant wins, and also some substantial losses.

This week on Family Policy Matters, NC Family President John Rustin welcomes NC Family Government Relations Associate Sharon Sullivan and Counsel Jere Royall to discuss and recap the highs and lows of North Carolina's 2023 Legislative Session.

Issue: Helping at Home and Abroad: Operation Christmas Child

Air Date: 10/16/2023

Air Time: 0620

Synopsis: WCLN's Dan DeBruler and Nicole Nelson from Operation Christmas Child discuss the organization's mission and achievements. Last year, they delivered their 250 millionth shoebox to a child in Ukraine. This year, despite fewer participating countries, they aim to collect 22,000 shoeboxes, with the Carolinas targeting 1 million. Each shoebox gift leads to an invitation to a discipleship program, with an estimated three people coming to faith per box. The initiative, which started in the 1990s during the Bosnia conflict, now globally provides children with essential items and knowledge of Jesus. The upcoming National Collection Week is crucial for gathering these gifts before Thanksgiving. Nicole shares inspiring stories of adults who received shoeboxes as children, and the host encourages community participation in the collection effort.

Issue: Navigating Transgender Issues at Home

Air Date: 10/28/2023

Air Time: 0700

Synopsis: Can you imagine your child announcing to you that they think they are supposed to be the opposite gender? Parents across the country have been completely shocked by their children telling them that they identify as transgender and have had to grapple with how to love and care for their children in a healthy way.

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Issue: Energy Conservation at Christmas

Air Date: 12/14/2023

Air Time: 0900

Synopsis: WCLN's Dan DeBruler interviews Lexi Hasapis from Fayetteville's Public Works Commission (PWC) about holiday tips. They discuss energy-saving strategies, electrical safety for Christmas decorations, and community events like Christmas in the park. Lexi offers advice on conserving energy in winter and mentions a bill credit for LED light purchases. She also encourages recycling Christmas trees through the city's mulching program. The episode focuses on enjoying a cost-effective, safe holiday season while collectively reducing energy consumption.

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Issue: How Should Christians Use Technology?

Air Date: 11/4/2023

Air Time: 0700

Synopsis: Technology is something that has been widely debated for years. Should Christians embrace it as part of the culture or resist it for the many dangers it brings with it? Studies have proven that things like social media can be damaging to our mental and physical health, but some experts say that this just makes it more important for Christians to be a light on these platforms and offer encouraging content. So which is it?

This week at Family Policy Matters, host Traci DeVette Griggs welcomes Samuel James, author of the new book *Digital Liturgies: Rediscovering Christian Wisdom in an Online Age*, to discuss the role of technology in a Christian's life.

Issue: Suicide in College Students

Air Date: 11/11/2023

Air Time: 0700

Synopsis: Over the last decade, suicide has become increasingly prevalent among college students, to the point that it is now one of the leading causes of death amongst this population. While many have wished they could do something about these tragic numbers, one North Carolinian took the initiative to offer herself as a “free mom” to love on and support students at NC State. This week on Family Policy Matters, host Traci DeVette Griggs welcomes Nancy Nelson, the founder of NCSU Free Moms, to discuss the organization and the work that they do loving on kids at NC State University.

Issue: Kids, Phones, And Porn

Air Date: 11/18/2023

Air Time: 0700

Synopsis: As technology continues to progress, so does the number of young children who have cell phones (often with little to no supervision). Whether children seek out harmful content or not, cell phones and social media can be quite dangerous if not used in a healthy way.

This week on Family Policy Matters, host Traci DeVette Griggs welcomes Clare Morell, Director of the Ethics and Public Policy Center’s Technology and Human Flourishing Project, to discuss how cell phones and social media are harming children and what we can do about it.

Issue: Parenting

Air Date: 12/2/2023

Air Time: 0700

Synopsis: Parenting is hard. There is so much to think about, from making sure the laundry gets done to getting a nourishing meal on the table for dinner. While these things are certainly important, one of the best things parents can do for their children is to model and instill in them the importance of character.

This week on Family Policy Matters, host Traci DeVette Griggs welcomes Monica Swanson, author of *Raising Amazing: Bringing Up Kids Who Love God, Like Their Family, and Do the Dishes without Being Asked*, to discuss some practical ways that parents can raise kids with character.

Issue: What You Need To Know About Critical Race Theory

Air Date: 12/9/2023

Air Time: 0700

Synopsis: Over the last decade, critical race theory has grown from something that was only discussed in academia to a concept that is now being taught in schools, featured on the news, and brought up in casual conversations. Some people are adamantly in favor of it, and others are just as adamantly opposed. But how should Christians respond to this cultural movement?

This week on Family Policy Matters, host Traci DeVette Griggs welcomes Dr. Neil Shenvi and Dr. Pat Sawyer, authors of the book *Critical Dilemma: The Rise of Critical Theories and Social Justice Ideology—Implications for the Church and Society*, to discuss how Christians should respond to the rise of critical race theory.

Issue: General Education Could Be Getting A Makeover At Public Universities

Air Date: 12/16/2023

Air Time: 0700

Synopsis: Over the last few years, quite a few higher education institutions have been criticized for appearing to focus more on niche topics while neglecting basic courses and curricula that constitute a well-rounded education. Many are starting to reevaluate what courses should be a priority and how to best go about implementing them at a state policy level.

This week on Family Policy Matters, host Traci DeVette Griggs welcomes Jenna Robinson, President of The James G. Martin Center for Academic Renewal, to discuss new model legislation that would revamp general education courses at public universities to better prepare college students for their adult lives.

Section 2: Various Public Service Announcements & Programs Aired:

Coffee With The Pastor

Weekly; Mondays 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Conversations addressing family, marital, and other issues with local ministry leaders.

The Merge

Weekly; Wednesdays 2:00 – 3:00 pm

Interviews with local business leaders merging faith, compassion and community interaction.

Just Common Sense

Weekly; Thursdays 2:00-2:30 pm

Interviews and commentary surrounding Pro-Life issues and legal news.

Various Public Service Messages:

- Fall Fitness Tips
- Holiday Kindness
- Winter Energy & Safety Tips

Section 3: Other Public Service Announcements