## Issues / Programs List FOURTH QUARTER, 2023

Quarterly Issues/Programs List for Station – WCTS-AM October 1 – December 31, 2023 Placed in the Public File Wednesday, January 3, 2024

## Section I. Issues.

The station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

A. <u>Family & Marriage</u>: Marriages and families are breaking down because of societal pressures, and weak commitment. This affects, not only people's personal lives, but affects the whole community, and even government. Husbands and wives must renew their commitment to one another, and strengthen their marriages. WCTS can help by presenting Bible teaching and features which tend to strengthen marriages.

B. <u>Government / Citizenship</u>: Christians in particular need to be aware of the issues from a biblical perspective, and vote in a way that is consistent with our faith and morals. While WCTS does not endorse any particular candidate or political party, we do want to encourage Christian citizenship, including informed participation in our representative democracy.

C. <u>Education</u>: Education is a big issue in our community because of its potential for good. But there is a perception among some WCTS listeners that public education tends to undermine our faith and our families. WCTS wants to inform parents about all education options, so that they can do what they believe strengthens their homes and helps to inculcate faith into their children.

D. <u>Cultures:</u> We are surrounded by cultures that view the world differently than we do. Minnesotans need to be aware of these cultural differences, sensitive to them, and able to interact with them on various levels.

E. <u>Evangelism and Personal Growth:</u> Everyone needs to be converted and grow spiritually. WCTS provides a number of programs to promote spiritual growth, since this is our primary mission.

## Section II. Responsive Programs.

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- Program: Revive Our Hearts
   Date: all
   Subject: Marriage and family
   Time: 11:30 a.m., 11:00 p.m.
   Length: 25 min.
   Host, Nancy Leigh DeMoss, addresses women's issues, including marriage and
   family.
- Program: Wisconsin Family Minute Date: all Subject: Commentary on the family and family policy in Minnesota Time: 9:20 a.m. Length: 2:00 minutes The Minnesota Family Minute from the Minnesota Family Council makes listeners aware of some current issues with respect to the family and state public policy, which affects families.
- Program: Life Issues

Date: all

Subject: Commentary on issues relating to abortion, adoption, and end of life ethics. All of these issues have a direct effect on the home.

Time: 6:00 a.m.

Length: 1:00

Host, Brad Mattes, addresses life issues, most of which are related to the health of the family, as well as the health of society at large.

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- Program: The Legal Alert
   Date: Daily, Monday through Friday
   Subject: "Christian legal rights"
   Time: 8:05 AM, Monday through Friday
   Length: 2 min.
   Host, David Gibbs, teaches listeners to stand up for their constitutional rights as
   Christians.
- Program: Cal Thomas Commentary Date: Daily, Monday through Saturday Subject: "Current issues from a conservative Christian perspective" Time: 7:32 AM and 5:07 PM Length: 2 min.
   Conservative commentator, Cal Thomas, addresses current issues from a conservative, Christian perspective.
- Program: SRN News
   Date: daily
   Subject: current events
   Time: various times, Monday through Sunday
   Length: 2 min.
   WCTS presents SRN network news.
- Program: American Radio Journal Date: October 6 Subject: current events Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm Length: 30 min.

This week on American Radio Journal: Lowman Henry talks with Merrill Matthews from the Institute for Policy Innovation about the unreliability of alternative fuels; Scott Parkinson from the Club for Growth has the Real Story on how the candidates performed in the second Republican Presidential debate; Eric Boehm of Reason magazine discusses President Joe Biden and the decline of unionized manufacturing; And, Jonathan Williams from the American Legislative Exchange Council details how ideologically-based investing is harming public employee pension funds.  Program: American Radio Journal Date: October 13 Subject: current events Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm Length: 30 min. This week on American Radio Journal

This week on American Radio Journal: Lowman Henry talks with Daren Bakst of the Competitive Enterprise Institute about the Biden Administration's five-year plan to slash American off-shore oil and natural gas production; Scott Parkinson from the Club for Growth has the Real Story on what comes next after the ouster of House Speaker Kevin McCarthy; Eric Boehm of Reason magazine reports on how decades of low rate borrowing is now driving up the federal deficit; And, Colin Hanna of Let Freedom Ring, USA has an American Radio Journal commentary on the Biden Administration's irresponsible energy policies.

• Program: American Radio Journal

Date: October 20 Subject: current events Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm Length: 30 min.

This week on American Radio Journal: Lowman Henry talks with Steven Simon from the Quincy Institute for Responsible Statecraft about the impact of the terrorist attacks on Israel; Scott Parkinson has the Real Story on the week's political developments; Eric Boehm from Reason magazine talks with Veronique DeRugy of the Mercatus Center at George Mason University about the impact of the federal budget deficit; And, Dr. Paul Kengor from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an American Radio Journal commentary on the rising popularity of women's collegiate volleyball.

• Program: American Radio Journal

Date: October 27

Subject: current events

*Time:* Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **E J Antoni** from the Heritage Foundation about how inflation is stressing the American consumer; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on congressional dysfunction; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine looks into wasteful and unnecessary COVID pandemic spending; And **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on states being fiscally responsible.

 Program: American Radio Journal Date: November 3 *Subject:* current events *Time:* Saturdays at 5:00 pm *Length:* 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Lora Ries** of the Heritage Foundation about America's immigration crisis; **Scott Parkinson** has the *Real Story* on the new Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine learns how federal spending is driving inflation from **Veronique DeRugy** of the Mercatus Center at George Mason University; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why Israel's right to self defense is not the more equivalent of Hamas terrorism.

 Program: American Radio Journal Date: November 10 Subject: current events Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Jason Isaac** of the American Energy Institute about securing America's energy future; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on Speaker Mike Johnson's first week in office; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine discusses saving Social Security with **Patrick Hedger** of the Taxpayer Protection Alliance; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the tragic impact of Hamas governing Gaza.

Program: American Radio Journal

Date: November 17

Subject: current events

*Time:* Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Ken Cuccinelli** from the Election Transparency Initiative discusses the Biden Administration's tinker with voter registration; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on election results in Virginia, Kentucky and Mississippi; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine reports on the outcome of ballot measures in Maine and Colorado; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an American Radio Journal commentary on Colorado's Taxpayers' Bill of Rights surviving yet another attempt to destroy it.

 Program: American Radio Journal Date: November 24 Subject: current events Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm Length: 30 min. This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** discusses the war between Israel and Hamas with **Matt Brooks** of the Republican Jewish Coalition; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the latest federal budget continuing resolution; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with **Andrew Wolford** of the National Taxpayers Foundation about Americans fleeing high tax states for low tax states; And, *Colin Hanna* of Let Freedom Ring has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on Nikki Haley and the race for the Republican Presidential nomination.

 Program: American Radio Journal Date: December 1 Subject: current events Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Keith Naughton** of Silent Majority Strategies about the political landscape as the 2024 election cycle gets underway; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on key congressional races in 2024; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine gets details on changes to federal regulations governing franchise operators from **Jarrett Dieterle** of the R Street Institute; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on RFK, Jr. being refused Secret Service protection.

 Program: American Radio Journal Date: December 8 Subject: current events Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm

Length: 30 min.

This week on American Radio Journal: **Wayne Crews** from the Competitive Enterprise Institute reports on *Ten Thousand Commandments: An Annual Snapshot of the Federal Regulatory State*; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on Virginia becoming a battleground state; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine looks for lessons from the recent Argentinian Presidential election; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why people are flocking to Florida.

 Program: American Radio Journal Date: December 15 Subject: current events Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Henri Schneider** of the Competitive Enterprise Institute about the pageantry and posturing at the COP28 climate summit; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the

impact of Kevin McCarthy's resignation from congress; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks about more COVID-19 relief fraud; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring, USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the lesson learned from Pearl Harbor.

 Program: American Radio Journal Date: December 22 Subject: current events Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Mike Gonzalez** from the Heritage Foundation provides analysis of a congressional hearing during which three university presidents failed to condemn hate speech against the Jewish people; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on a new leader for the House Freedom Caucus; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine discusses the drawbacks of administrative courts with **Stone Washington** of the Competitive Enterprise Institute; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why It's a Wonderful Life is the best film of all time.

 Program: American Radio Journal Date: December 29
 Subject: current events Time: Saturdays at 5:00 pm Length: 30 min.

This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Greg Wrightstone** of the CO2 Coalition about his new book: *A Very Convenient Warming: How Modest Warming and More CO2 Are Benefitting Humanity*; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on a Colorado Supreme Court ruling tossing Donald Trump from the Republican primary ballot; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with **Steven Greenhut** of the R Street Institute about California's huge budget deficit; And, **Jonathan Williams** from the American Legislative Exchange Council has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on big policy wins at the state level in 2023.

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• *Program:* Answers with Ken Ham *Date:* Daily, M-F

Subject: "Creation" *Time:* 7:40 a.m., 5:17 p.m. *Length:* 1:00 min. Ken Ham relates Creation and Evolution issues to Education, as well as to social and religious issues.

- Program: Back To Genesis
   Date: Daily, M-F
   Subject: Creation
   Time: 7:30 am, 1:30 pm, 3:30 pm.
   Length: 1:00
   John Morris, director of the Institute for Creation Research, explores creation-related subjects and educates listeners in a Bible-centered creation world-view.
- Program: Science, Scripture and Salvation
   Date: Daily, Saturdays at noon, Sundays 9:00 pm
   Subject: Science
   Time: Saturdays at noon; Sundays at 9:00 pm
   Length: 15 min.
   Scientists from the Institute for Creation Research present amazing scientific facts and proofs for Creation.

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- Program: "Stories Of Great Christians" Date: daily, Monday through Friday Subject: stories of man and women from various cultures who stood for Christ Time: 11:00 AM and 8:30 PM Length: 28:00 min.
   These biographical stories focus on the lives of Christian men and women throughout the ages in various cultures and various parts of the world.
- Program: Lamplighter Radio Theater
   Date: Saturday and Sunday
   Subject: Stories from various cultures about Christian living.
   Time: 9:30 pm Saturday, 8:30 pm Sunday.
   Length: 30:00 min.
   This is a weekly drama program, drawn from various cultures and periods in history.
- Program: "Voice of the Martyrs" Date: Weekdays, 11:00am and 3:45pm (1:00 min.); Weekends, 4:00pm (24 min.) Subject: Stories of persecuted Christians in vsrious parts of the world. Time: (see above)

Length: 1:00 min., and 24 min.

VOM Radio is a weekly national program focusing exclusively on the testimonies of our persecuted family and on building fellowship between the Body of Christ in the United States and His Body in hostile and restricted nations. VOM Radio is the only program of its kind. Each week, host Todd Nettleton shares testimonies from brothers and sisters willing to suffer persecution rather than deny their faith in Christ. E. <u>Evangelism and Personal Growth:</u> Everyone needs to be converted and grow spiritually. WCTS provides a number of programs to promote spiritual growth, since this is our primary mission.

- Program: Central Chapel Date: Daily, M-F Subject: Spiritual growth Time: 4:00 p.m. Length: 28:00 min.
   Various preachers challenge the student body of Central Seminary to grow spiritually.
- Program: Friendship With God Date: Daily, M-F Subject: Evangelism and spiritual growth Time: 8:00 am and 6:00 pm. Length: 28:00 min.
   Pastor Tom Cantor speaks from the Old Testament and brings out New Testament truth.
- Program: Unshackled
   Date: Mondays and Saturdays weekly
   Subject: Personal stories of conversion to Christ
   Time:
   Length: 28:00 min.
   Stories of personal conversions to Christ told in the first person.
- Program: Thru The Bible
   Date: daily, Monday through Friday
   Subject: Bible teaching
   Time: 12 noon
   Length: 26:00 min.
   Bible teacher, J. Vernon McGee, teaches verse by verse through the whole Bible
   in five years.
- Program: Turning Point Date: Daily, M-F Subject: Bible Exposition Time: 1:00 p.m. Length: 27 min.

Host, David Jeremiah, teaches the Bible, and teaches people how to grow spiritually through biblical truth.

- Program: Grace To You
   Date: Daily
   Subject: Bible Exposition
   Time: 7:00 p.m.
   Length: 26:00 minutes
   Host, John MacArthur, teaches the Bible and teaches people to grow spiritually
   through biblical truth.
- Program: Truth For Life
   Date: Daily, M-F
   Subject: Bible Exposition
   Time: 12:30 p.m.
   Length: 27 min.
   Host, Alistair Begg, teaches the Bible, and teaches people how to grow spiritually through biblical truth.
- Program: Revive Our Hearts
   Date: Daily, M-F
   Subject: Bible Exposition
   Time: 11:30 am, 11:00 p.m.
   Length: 27 min.
   Host, Nancy Leigh DeMoss, teaches the Bible, and teaches women how to grow spiritually through biblical truth.