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## **Issue: 2016 Presidential Campaign**

**Program: The Brody File**

**Air Date and time: 1-12-2016 @ 7:00pm**

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Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton are going after each other and mainly only each other as if they are the winners of their parties already. Donald is the only Republican candidate bringing up former President Bill Clinton's numerous affairs. Many conservative voters like that he has the guts to bring it up. Donald hopes the voters see his constant attacks on Hillary as he has already won the Republican vote. Hillary feels if she continually attacks Donald the women, Hispanic, and independent voters will like her more.

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David Brody talked to Russell Moore of the Southern Baptist Convention about what the Evangelicals need to think about when choosing the right candidate. Ben Carson took some evangelicals by surprise when he said he did not believe in a physical place called hell and does not believe in the rapture. Russell said he has some very unorthodox beliefs, but that should not disqualify him as a candidate. He said Americans should stop trying to make the candidates into spiritual mascots when they are not able to carry that burden and they should not be asked to carry that burden. Russell is disturbed by Donald Trump's comments about mosque and Muslims. He said if you have a government that can register Muslims and do away with mosque that is a government that ultimately could do the same thing to evangelicals. We need a President who understands religious liberty for all people, the sanctity of life, the value of the family, who cares about the persecuted Christian, and can competently carry out administering justice.

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Ben Carson's campaign is going very slow. His Campaign Manager and Communications Director both resigned some say they were fired. His campaign team and outside advisors were not seeing eye-to-eye on strategy and the outside advisors won. He has dropped big time in the polls.

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Hillary Clinton is taking hits on twitter. She tried to reach out to the Hispanic voters by comparing herself to their abuela (grandma). The Hispanic voters did not like that. They started putting on twitter the hardships their abuelas went through to let her know she is not even close.

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Ted Cruz has risen in the polls in Iowa. He has strong evangelical support in Iowa. He also has key endorsements from big time leaders in Iowa like Congressman Steve King. Cruz is working hard to get the pastors in Iowa.

## **Issue: 2016 Presidential Campaign (continued)**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-15-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Last night the Republican Debate was quite lively as all the candidates compared their records to others on the stage. They all tried to clear up any misinformation about them that went out in commercial campaigns. Jeb Bush went after Donald Trump for opposing bringing Muslims into the country. Jeb Bush insists it would make it impossible to build the coalition necessary to take out ISIS if we refused to admit Muslims. Donald was adamant we need to prevent them from coming in for security purposes. There was quite a conflict between Chris Christie and Marco Rubio both want to be the alternative to Trump and Cruz so they are running attack ads against each other.

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Trump brought his campaign message to Liberty University on Monday. It is part of his strategy to win evangelical voters. Some students liked that he was politically incorrect. He feels it is important to let Christians know he will protect their religious freedom and Israel.

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Just 13 days before the Iowa caucus Sarah Palin indorsed Donald Trump. Ted Cruz is Trump's main competition for evangelical voters in Iowa, but experts say the support from Palin could give Trump a big boost from Tea Party voters there.

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**Air Date and time: 1-22-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Ted Cruz is under fire for his Christian character in Iowa. A new political group called Americans United for Values is putting out radio ads against Ted Cruz for his tithing record. They are accusing him of being a phony Christian. The group looked over Ted's tax record for over 4 years and found he tithed less than 1%. Another blow for Ted Cruz was Sarah Palin announcing she is backing Donald Trump. Sarah had a big hand in getting Ted to run for the Senate. Iowa Governor Terry Bradstad also came out against Ted Cruz this week saying we need to defeat Ted because he is against the ethanol subsidies in Iowa.

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**Air Date and time: 1-25-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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A church during the 2016 election may be thinking what can be said from the pulpit. Pro-life leaders and supporters said Pastors and church leaders should not sensor themselves. Father Frank Pavone, Priests For Life, said stop blaming the tax guy, stop misrepresenting what the law says, step up to the plate, and exercise your religious freedom. Pastors have far more rights than they realize under the current tax law. Pastors can lobby and endorse a candidate. Attorney James Bopp says pastors fear the IRS far too much.

## **Issue: 2016 Presidential Campaign (continued)**

**Program: The Brody File**

**Air Date and time: 1-26-2016 @ 7:00pm**

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David Brody went to Liberty University (LU) in Lynchburg, Virginia when Donald Trump spoke during Convocation. With the new poll out saying Republican Millennials would be likely to vote for Donald Trump, the Brody file interviewed LU students. Through all their interviews they found overwhelming support for Donald Trump at LU. Democrat Millennials leaned towards Bernie Sanders. Polls say at least 60% of Millennials will vote.

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**Air Date and time: 2-1-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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News reporter and celebrities have descended on Iowa ahead of tonight's caucus. They are there to endorse the candidates. Senator Cruz has Rick Perry, Phil Robertson, and Glen Beck who showed up. Donald Trump has Jerry Falwell Jr. showing up along with Willie Robertson and Sarah Palin. Jerry Falwell Jr. through a TV interview said Donald Trump would be a friend to evangelicals. Marco Rubio is the wild card tonight. He is coming on strong as he makes faith and policy a big part of his message. Bernie Sanders had a few big names endorse him like Susan Sarandon, Dr. Cornell West, rapper Killer Mike, Neil Young and Occupy Wall St. Bernie is playing to big crowds as he promises more big government policies. He wants to expand Planned Parenthood and make it much stronger. Hillary Clinton had big names endorse her like Selma Hayek, Kerry Washington, The New York Times and The Des Moines Register. She has a slight lead over Bernie. She is keeping the people of Iowa interested by telling them she will not raise middle class taxes. She said she was going after the people who have done well. The real question is do the endorsements affect regular voters across America? Reporters are keeping a close eye on the Iowa caucus and asking regular voters to respond.

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**Air Date and time: 2-2-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Iowa came out in historic numbers last night to caucus for their candidates. Senator Ted Cruz emerged victorious from the GOP caucuses followed closely by Donald Trump and Marco Rubio. On the Democrat side voters were evenly split between Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders. Compared to 2012 60,000 more Iowans showed up for the GOP caucuses this year and two-thirds were evangelical. That really helped Ted Cruz who edged past Trump and Rubio. Last night Mike Huckabee called it quits. Dr. Paul Bonicelli from Regent University said the message sent from the GOP was they are confused.

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**Air Date and time: 2-4-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Ben Carson and Donald Trump are lashing out against Ted Cruz over his Iowa win. Donald Trump said Cruz won because his team told voters Carson was about to drop out of the race. Cruz called Carson to apologize saying his team got the report from CNN news channel. Rand Paul and Rick Santorum have officially dropped out of the race. Santorum is now supporting Marco Rubio.

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-5-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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There was a Democrat party debate between Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders last night that got very heated. The two argued over who would be the best candidate for the country. It was their only debate before the New Hampshire primary next Tuesday.

## **Issue: 2016 Presidential Campaign (continued)**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-8-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Going into the New Hampshire Primary the polls have Bernie Sanders and Donald Trump in the lead. Bill Clinton traveled around New Hampshire attacking Bernie Sanders to help promote his wife. After the Republican debate Donald Trump rose in the polls. During the debate Trump and Jeb Bush were at each other again. Donald Trump made fun of Bush because his mother came out to help him. Chris Christie went after Marco Rubio, but Rubio said the debate helped him not hurt him.

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-10-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The New Hampshire Primary results are in with Donald Trump the winner for the Republicans and Bernie Sanders for the Democrats. Both were in second place last week in Iowa. Voters in the Granite State are angry with Washington and worried about the economy. The surprise was on the Republican side with Cruz, Bush, and Rubio in 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place all within one percentage point of each other.

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The debate in South Carolina heated up and turned a bit wild with Donald Trump taking on Cruz and Bush. The evening continued with Cruz taking on Trump and Rubio. Things became personal when Trump went after Bush's family, to which Bush fired back. Even Rubio joined in defending the former President Bush. Carson and Kasich tried to remain positive and above the fray addressing problems in the American economy.

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-18-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The Republican Presidential candidates are sparring with each other in South Carolina while preparing for Saturday's Primary. The Democrat candidates are sparring for the minority vote in Nevada. Hillary and Sanders are both pushing for the black vote, but the polls show they are not as interested in voting as they were for Obama. Donald Trump said he would sign a bill defunding Planned Parenthood. Cruz is running a commercial from when Trump was Pro-abortion. Now that Donald has changed his mind he is threatening to sue Cruz. Stefan Turkheimer a Democrat Strategist said the Democrats are most nervous about Marco Rubio. They feel he stands a good chance against Hillary Clinton.

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Ted Cruz started running an ad with a clip from 20 years ago showing Donald Trump saying he is 100% pro-choice. Donald Trump's lawyers sent a Cease & Desist letter to Ted Cruz to get him to pull the ad. Ted Cruz said he will continue running the ad. Donald said he would sue Cruz because he is not a natural born citizen. Cruz says bring it on! While they duke it out Marco Rubio picked up an important endorsement, the South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley, just before the Primary in South Carolina. Donald Trump has eased up on his war of words with Pope Francis.

## **Issue: 2016 Presidential Campaign (continued)**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-23-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The Republican candidates are in Nevada for the caucus Saturday night. Trump and Cruz are still in a war of words. Rubio continues to get endorsements from the Republican Party and elsewhere. Ted Cruz fired a top aide for spreading a false video supposedly showing Rubio attacking the Bible.

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**Air Date and time: 2-24-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Trump won big in Nevada last night. The fight for second is still between Marco Rubio and Ted Cruz. The Democrats are focused on South Carolina, which holds its Democrat Primary on Saturday. The Democrat candidates are both focused on the black population.

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**Air Date and time: 2-25-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Donald Trump spoke in Virginia at Regent University's Presidential Candidate Forum yesterday. He told the audience evangelicals played a major role in his caucus victory in Nevada. He told Pat Robertson he would consider the pro-life issue first when choosing a new Supreme Court Justice. Donald Trump told the audience business success pales in comparison to success at home. He talked with Pat about business wise decisions for America, ways to keep businesses here instead of moving to a foreign country.

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Last night in the Republican debate Marco Rubio and Ted Cruz kept after Donald Trump trying to cut his lead in the polls before Super Tuesday. Rubio and Cruz said they would release their taxes this week, but Trump said he could not until the IRS was finished auditing him. Carson and Kasich did not receive nearly as much airtime as the top three. In South Carolina Clinton and Sanders are smothering the black voters as the democrats vote this Saturday. Juan Williams wrote in the Wall Street Journal, "The rush of endorsements from the black elite has inevitably led to charges that the candidates are pandering to black Americans."

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**Air Date and time: 2-29-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The pressure on presidential candidates coming up on Super Tuesday has most throwing even harder punches in the fight to secure votes. Senators Marco Rubio and Ted Cruz are pressuring Donald Trump to release his taxes and firing tough shots at Trump. Trump spent most of Sunday explaining an endorsement from David Duke to the press. Trump later disavowed the endorsement, but that did not stop the political shots from being fired at him. On the Democrat side Hillary is picking up momentum from the African Americans. Sanders said he knows he needs to work hard to get more votes. Stefan Turkheimer, Democrat strategist, said Super Tuesday would weed out the small candidates. Julianne Thompson, GOP Analyst, said most democrats in the South are going with Hillary Clinton because they are not ready to go to Socialism.

## **Issue: 2016 Presidential Campaign (continued)**

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**Air Date and time: 2-29-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Ted Cruz came to Regent University in Virginia. He explained Constitutional Rights and religious freedoms are at stake in the next Presidential election. He gave many examples of needing to put the right person on the Supreme Court to allow us to keep our freedoms. He then explained how he would defeat ISIS to Pat Roberts. Ted Cruz also explained he would have Planned Parenthood prosecuted.

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Ben Carson attended the Regent University Presidential Forum. During his interview with Pat Roberts he gave great details on how to stop the flow from Mexico and how to fix the issue with those already here. He also discussed Obama's opinion of ISIS. He asked people to go to [bencarson.com](http://bencarson.com) to read more details on all these issues. Ben wants to eliminate the ban on Christianity in public schools. Ben Carson gave details on changing Obama Care to having a savings account type plan.

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**Air Date and time: 3-2-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Super Tuesday gave Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton commanding leads in their parties' nomination battles. They each won seven victories after votes in 12 states. Despite resounding wins their rivals are vowing to stay in the game. Voter turn out in many states for the republican side including Virginia shattered previous records while the democrat side struggled to get the voters out. Ted Cruz asked the other republican candidates to join him to defeat Trump. Marco Rubio conquered his first victory winning Minnesota. Kasich had a better than expected performance in Vermont and Ben Carson still lags far behind in fifth place. Bernie Sanders' odds of getting the nomination on the democrat side are even slimmer than before Tuesday, but he did beat Clinton in four states.

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**Air Date and time: 3-3-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Mitt Romney is leading a campaign trying to stop Donald Trump. Trump's response was, "Looks like two-time failed candidate Mitt Romney is going to be telling Republicans how to get elected. Not a good messenger!" Wednesday Ted Cruz encouraged Republican voters to abandon their candidates and get behind him. Experts say it may be too little too late. Donald Trump leads in most polls.

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**Air Date and time: 3-4-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The GOP debate last night was a heated circus. Marco Rubio and Ted Cruz took turns laying into Donald Trump. They constantly interrupted each other, and Donald constantly said degrading comments towards Rubio and continually called Cruz a liar. John Kasich said he stays out of the constant scuffles on the stage. He also said everywhere he goes people tell him he is the adult on the stage. Rubio went after Trump for making his clothing line overseas instead of in the US. There is an audiotape of Trump and The New York Times in an interview where Trump says his views on immigration are not as strong as he says. When asked he refused to allow it to be released. Even the FOX News moderators got into the act by playing a video of Trump and his inconsistent views on issues like the Iraq war and Syrian refugees. They also argued about past Supreme Court Justices.

## **Issue: 2016 Presidential Campaign (continued)**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 3-7-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Democrat party Presidential candidate Bernie Sanders has been campaigning on the promise that socialism is the answer for the American economy. He has attracted a powerful audience of young people. Critics say Sanders and the young people have no idea what it is like to live under socialism. Sanders want the type of socialism that France has, but France feels trapped and is trying to get out of socialism. French Free Market economist Emmanuel Martin says socialism has also weakened the French work ethic and entrepreneurial spirit making people psychologically dependent on the state. He says the people are not grownups they are like infants completely dependent on the state. The entrepreneurial young people of France are fleeing to work elsewhere.

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**Air Date and time: 3-9-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Presidential candidate Donald Trump took three primaries yesterday. It seems no matter how many people or groups attack him he keeps on winning. People working the polls say the voters tell them they are worried about the economy and are angry at the way Washington is working. Ted Cruz won two primaries. Marco Rubio had a terrible night placing third or fourth in all primaries. John Kasich had a very strong showing in Michigan, but Cruz edged him out. Trump has 446 delegates, Cruz has 347, Rubio 151, and Kasich 54. There was a shocker on the democrat side when Bernie Sanders pulled off a surprising upset victory in Michigan. Clinton won Mississippi with a huge turn out from black voters. As it stands now Clinton has 1,221 delegates and Sanders 571. The March 15<sup>th</sup> primaries will be big for the Republicans.

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Hillary Clinton has a millennial problem and so do most of the 2016 candidates. In 2015 millennials surpassed baby boomers and are now the largest generation in the country. Bernie Sanders and Donald Trump are the only two that do not seem to be having any problem. Polls show 61% of them will vote.

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**Air Date and time: 3-10-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The Republican Debate is tonight in Miami, Florida. This debate is in a critical state for the candidates to win. Senator Ted Cruz held a rally yesterday and is pushing to win Florida and take first place in the polls. At this rally Carly Fiorina took the stage with Cruz and proudly endorsed him. Cruz also says that the liberal media is intentionally boosting Donald Trump. "The network executives who are partisan democrats have decided to get Donald nominated because once they do Hillary wins," Cruz stated in an interview with David Brody. Donald Trump held a rally in North Carolina encouraging voters to vote in the upcoming North Carolina primary. Marco Rubio says he is not giving up and is going to work as hard as he can to win his home state of Florida.

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**Air Date and time: 3-11-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Last night's Republican debate was totally different than the last couple. All four candidates were very engaged and not hostile toward each other. There was no real winner from last night's debate as of yet. Analyst say wait until next weeks voting to see who really won.



## **Issue: 2016 Presidential Campaign (continued)**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 3-14-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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There is controversy over a string of brawls around Republican candidate Donald Trump. Bernie Sanders told a town hall meeting that Donald needs to get on TV and tell his supporters their behavior is unacceptable, but Trump refuses to take responsibility for clashes at his campaign events. Some of those disrupting Trump's rallies are Bernie supporters.

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**Air Date and time: 3-16-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Donald Trump won three more states including Florida causing Marco Rubio to leave the race. John Kasich won Ohio and plans to stay in the race. Donald now has 621 delegates and Ted Cruz has 396. They need 1,237 to get the Republican nomination. Paul Ryan said he is not ruling out the option of being drafted by the party because the Republican establishment does not want Trump to get the nomination. Hillary Clinton now has 1,561 delegates and Bernie Sanders has 800 after Tuesday's primaries. The winning democratic nomination is 2,383 delegates.

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**Air Date and time: 3-30-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Republican front-runner Donald Trump is defending his campaign manager Cory Lewandowski who faces a criminal charge of battery for grabbing a reporter's arm. Other candidates also weighed in on the controversy, Ted Cruz said Donald's manager should not be assaulting the press. After the response Ted Cruz and John Kasich had toward Donald and this issue Donald said he does not feel he can support the Republican nominee if it is not himself. Ted Cruz will still support the nominee even Donald Trump. Hillary is facing an uphill battle in New York against Bernie Sanders. Even though she was a Senator there Bernie Sanders was born there so they both have large support groups. Another Judge has weighed in on Hillary's email scandal saying it is extraordinary and there is evidence of wrongdoing.

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**Air Date and time: 3-31-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Donald Trump during an interview said the woman should be punished for having an abortion. He misspoke and meant the abortion providers should be punished not the woman. That did not stop his opponents from attacking. Karl Rove wrote in the Wall Street Journal, "Get ready for the ugliest campaign in memory."

## **Issue: Abortion**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-18-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Charles Camosy, an author, said about 80% of Americans think most abortions are bad, but want exceptions for rape, incest, and deformities. He says there is 10% of people at both extremes that want no abortions at all and the other end that want abortion until the baby is born. Christina Forrester, Christian Democrats of America, represents Christians that are in the middle. She feels the way right or way left are both too extreme. In America 61% would allow abortions in the 1<sup>st</sup> trimester, 27% would allow in the 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester, and only 14% in the 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester. Charles and Christina feel we are not that far apart if the common goal is reduction. Both also feel in order to reduce abortions we must pay women the same as men and give women paid maternity leave. According to Charles the US and Papua New Guinea are the only two countries that do not guarantee women paid maternity leave. If Republicans were willing to pay what it takes for many women to forsake abortions and Democrats were willing to give on some restrictions progress could finally take place and save lives.

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A majority of pro-choice Americans want most abortions restricted. This gives hope to pro-life Americans who want to cut the number of abortions in America. 81% of Americans want abortions restricted to the first trimester this includes 66% of pro-choice people. Those surveyed do not buy that there is a war on women. They also believe new laws can protect both the mother and her unborn child.

**Program: The Brody File**

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There is a huge campaign going on right now started by Live Action when it comes to looking specifically at what happens during an abortion procedure. Live Action has talk to many who changed their minds on having an abortion after they learned what the abortion procedure is. Most abortions happen during 5 to 13 weeks of the pregnancy. Live Action says after watching their videos of abortion procedures thousands are changing their mind on abortion. Live Action President Lila Rose also said Donald Trump needs to get his facts straight even the abortion leaning news paper The Washington Post agrees Donald Trump is dead wrong when he says that abortions make-up only three percent of Planned Parenthood's business.

## **Issue: Adoption**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 3-14-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Adoption can be a long and expensive process and many couples hoping to adopt simply cannot afford it. US adoptions (domestic) cost up to \$26,000 and international adoptions cost between \$35,000 to \$40,000. Now you can find ways to raise money on the internet. Go Fund Me is a popular one. Many who do not feel they can adopt are willing to give for others to adopt.

## **Issue: Antichristian Agenda**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

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Some of those on the front lines of the culture war say there is definitely an antichristian agenda. They feel it right in their face. Brian Camenker founder of Mass Resistance said he saw what happened to Jews in the 1930's and 1940's and much of that is happening to Christians now. He said there is an organized movement to demonize Christians. Most of the negative actions are coming from abortion and gay rights groups and their allies.

## **Issue: Antidepressants Possible Link to Violence**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 3-15-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Some medical experts feel antidepressants could be behind the violence of mass shootings. Most of the mass violence involves guns and another common thread is antidepressants. Dr. Peter Breggin has studied these drugs and their effects. The drugs cause agitation, anxiety, insomnia, hostility, aggression, and mania. Antidepressants work on the brain thereby altering the way people think. In addition to driving the person with this amphetamine like affect the antidepressants do a kind of lobotomy. You lose your empathy and your caring. Not all doctors view the drugs so harshly. Dr. Karen Jacobs from the Cleveland Clinic said most of her patients would not be able to function in society without them. She does tell her patients there is a risk. The American Psychiatric Association urges doctors to exercise caution when prescribing a certain type of drug, which includes antidepressants, saying their uses could be harmful. Dr. Breggin said for emotional issues counseling is the best. He says antidepressants could make the situation worse especially in young people.

## **Issue: Apple vs. The Government**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-19-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Apple has been given three more days to respond to a court order requiring it to help investigators break into an iPhone used by one of the San Bernardino shooters. The company is fighting the order calling it unprecedented and saying it threatens the security of their customers. This is the latest battle over personal privacy verses national security.

## **Issue: Autoimmune Disease**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-2-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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More Americans suffer from autoimmune disease than cancer and heart disease combined. Our immune system keeps us healthy by attacking invaders like viruses. The immune system can misfire and attack healthy tissue that can lead to over 100 autoimmune diseases like Lupus, Rheumatoid Arthritis, Crohn's Disease, and Multiple Sclerosis. Many do not realize they have an autoimmune disease assuming instead that their difficulty concentrating, abdominal pain, and fatigue are just a part of regular life. Dr. Myers prescribes a clean diet to prevent and possibly reverse autoimmune disorders. Dr. Myers believes autoimmune diseases stem from a condition called leaky gut. She said 80% of our immune system is in our gut and if we have an autoimmune disease it is a problem with our immune system. Leak gut means large openings form along the intestinal wall allowing particles to escape that should not. A leaky gut comes from eating too much processed food, sugar, dairy, and gluten in wheat. Eating a clean diet like a Paleo diet has helped many regain their health.

## **Issue: Budget Purposal**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-10-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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President Obama introduced a massive budget Tuesday with a deficit projected to climb back above a half trillion dollars. The budget comes in at more than \$4trillion. His plan includes some tax increases like \$10 tax per barrel on oil, which will increase the price of gas by \$.24 per gallon. It also includes new tax on banks and wealthier Americans. Obama released it on Tuesday to coincide with the NH primary hoping it might not get as much attention.

## **Issue: Cancer Treatment**

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Proton Therapy is a fairly new treatment for cancer. Proton therapy has fewer side effects because it only kills the cancer. Traditional radiation therapy works like a bullet damaging healthy tissue as it enters and exits the body. Proton therapy is like a firecracker placed inside the tumor. The explosion of radiation damages just the tumor nothing else. There is no nausea, no burning, and no organ damage. There are only 9 Proton centers in the US, but another 8 are on the way. One of the newest ones is in Hampton, Virginia. This area was chosen because it leads the country in prostate cancer deaths. The cost of proton therapy is about three times the cost of traditional treatments, but most insurance cover the cost. Cynthia Keppel, Hampton University Proton Therapy Institute, said the proton therapy could be used on other cancers like brain, head, neck, breast, and lung. They are working on pancreatic and other kinds of gynecological cancers.

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Four out of ten will learn they have cancer sometime in their life. Today's cancer treatments offer greater hope than ever before with increased cure rates and fewer side affects. Virginia's Bon Secours Cancer Treatment Center is treating their patients with cutting edge technology and treatments. Bon Secours is the only faith-based hospital in the state. They feel it is a mission or a ministry for them because the doctors pray with the patients and do not charge them if they cannot afford it. They can now pin point the tumor with a beam from a machine called Trubeam so you can have a stronger amount of radiation hit just the tumor. With the Trubeam you can go in have your tumor removed one day and go back to work the next.

## **Issue: Lifestyle Changes for Better Health**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 3-30-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Dr. Elaine George says people need to have a mind set change. She says 97% of Americans are eating unhealthy and have unhealthy habits. She says some of the changes could be minor ones like going to bed an hour or two earlier to get more rest and turn off TV, lights, computers, and cell phones for a really restful sleep. Stop drinking so many sodas and drink more water. She says another minor change would be to walk up the stairs at work instead of taking the elevator and park farther from work and walk. If you cut out the prepared foods you will cut out a lot of salt and extra sugars. High fructose sugar is bad for you so try making your own foods and drinks like lemonade and limeade. Try cutting the carbs in your diet. Eat more fruits and vegetables (especially greens), lean meats, fish, and get more rest. Dr. George says if you do not have enough fat in your diet it will affect you. Dr. George says every little bit helps.

## **Issue: Cold and Flu Treatments**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-19-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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We are at the start of a new year and at the start of cold and flu season. The CDC is encouraging doctors to not prescribe unnecessary antibiotics. Antibiotics can be harmful if prescribed and are not needed. The CDC put out new guidelines for antibiotics; in them they include treating the symptoms first with other options like a vaporizer.

## **Issue: Death Penalty**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-26-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The Supreme Court will not consider banning the death penalty. The Justices turned down a death row prisoner's appeal to do away with Capital Punishment altogether. A Christian opponent of the death penalty made his case at the March For Life last week saying God spared Cain the first murderer and Jesus defended a woman caught in adultery, which was punishable by death.

## **Issue: DNA Evidence Exonerates Wrongfully Convicted**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

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It is estimated that 20,000 innocent people are in prison because they were wrongfully convicted of crimes. The amount of wrongfully convicted people on death row is approximately 4%. These shocking numbers are leading some evangelical Christians to change their minds about capital punishment. Vanessa Potkin from the Innocence Project said eyewitness misidentification, false confessions or admissions, and government misconduct are the leading causes of wrongful convictions. Since 1989 DNA technology has helped to exonerate more than 300 people in 37 states. Last year the National Association of Evangelicals reversed its long-standing support of the death penalty. Last week, while in America, Pope Francis called on America to abolish the death penalty. Potkin said DNA evidence has helped free 18 innocent people facing execution.

## **Issue: Domestic Violence Prevention**

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Shannon Deitz from Hopeful Hearts Ministry says it is important for women to speak up about domestic violence. Shannon Deitz hopes the more people talk about domestic violence the more they will positively affect future generations.

## **Issue: Eating Seafood is Good for Your Brain**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-23-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Chicago's Rush University said eating seafood once to twice a week could help some people avoid Alzheimer's disease. They found a diet with fish could protect people with a genetic risk for Alzheimer's disease and they found if there was mercury in the fish it did not pose a health risk. Fish oil supplements did not have the same effects as fish itself, but that may be because people do not take supplements regularly. The bottom line is still fish can be good for your brain.

## **Issue: Economy**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-5-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The US has fallen out of the top 10 countries of the world in terms of economic freedom. That is according to the Heritage Foundation, which publishes the latest index of economic freedom every year. We were number eleven this year, our worst ever. Critics say it is the growing number of regulations and the exploding debt that have tied down the economy.

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America is now 19 trillion dollars in debt and is on its way to 30 trillion in just ten years. The growing debt could mean higher taxes in the near future and could seriously hurt the economy. The nation's spending deficit is again on the rise under a Republican Congress. The Congress increased spending and reduced taxes last year. Michael Tanner from CATO Foundation said the Republican candidates all have detailed proposals on how they are going to reform the tax system and how they are going to cut taxes. They have almost no proposals for how they are going to reform entitlements or cut spending. The Congressional Budget office estimates the next generation will earn \$2,000 to \$5,000 less each year, so they will be repaying today's debt with the lower wages they earn tomorrow. Meanwhile some of the candidates are wooing the public with even more spending to the tune of trillions. Bernie Sanders has proposed over 18 trillion dollars in new spending. Hillary Clinton wants over 1.5 trillion in new spending. The Republicans are supposed to be the anti-debt party, but we are not seeing any proposals on the debt come from them. The largest group of voters is the elderly. The candidates seem to be willing to feed cake to the 70 year olds and send the bill to their kids and grandkids. The debt crisis is growing with no end in sight.

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The stock market has been falling since January and the economy has been stagnating for years. Economists are saying the taxes on American businesses are just too high. The Federal Corporate Tax rate is 35% one of the highest in the world. Some of the Republican candidates have talked about cutting the tax rate and even President Obama has talked about cutting it. So far nothing has happened in Washington and nothing will unless the next President supports it. Stephen Moore an economist from the Heritage Foundation said we need growth and that would come from cutting taxes and make the tax code more efficient. He said we need a pro-America energy strategy to use the abundant natural resources we have in this country and we need to roll back the regulations in Obama Care.

## **Issue: Health Benefits from Exercise**

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Couch potatoes have a higher risk of dying younger than people who are more active and move about. Mark Sisson from Mark's Daily Apple blog says a little burst of activity during your regular work out can have dramatic effects on all aspects of your health. He also said muscle-working exercises like pushups and sit-ups can prevent broken bones. We should exercise two and a half hours to seven hours a week.

## **Issue: Health Enhancements from Fasting**

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Scientist at the University of Southern California studied both people and animals that went without food for two to four days a month. The fasting triggered their bodies to get rid of old inefficient cells and regenerate new healthy ones. This means fasting could be a key to aging well because as we get older our immune system weakens making us more vulnerable to disease. Fasting would be especially good for people going through chemo or autoimmune disorders. There are many ways to fast, but intermittent seems to be the most popular.

## **Issue: Ferguson Effect**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 3-30-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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There is growing animosity toward police officers in communities they serve across the country. They are calling it the Ferguson Effect. There is also a spike in violence toward police. Veterans from the Armed Services and police are saying it is getting more and more dangerous for police to do their job. So far in 2016 officer deaths by shooting are up 300% from last year with a marked increase of ambush type attacks. Police officers are struggling and hesitating something experts say will get them killed. Michael Wood from policeone.com said another issue would be the police do not feel the administration has their back. Mike Cowan, SWAT Team in MS, said if you do not like the law go about it the legal way and vote someone in that will change the law.

## **Issue: Genetic Codes Editing**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-24-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Scientists are now able to change the genetic code of a person. A person does not have to stick with their genetic code any more and the new genes can be passed down to other generations. It can be changed in the sperm, egg, and embryo. You can now edit the code and make designer babies. Francoise Baylis from Dalhousie University in Canada said at a Summit for Genetic Code Editing that designer babies is not the way the editing is going. She said right now scientists are only targeting the therapeutic interventions. They are trying to help those who have genetic diseases. For now the scientists are looking to get global agreement on uniform legal and ethical guidelines for this new technology.

## **Issue: Creating Healthier Habits**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-4-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Half of everything we do each day is not a conscious decision just something we do by habit. Bad habits are hard to break and good habits are hard to keep. You are more likely to succeed with a new strategy. Scientist recently uncovered an enormous amount of information about how habits work in our brains. They found each habit contains three parts. First is a cue, which automatically triggers us to start. Then comes the routine, which is the behavior itself. Third is the reward, which is what we crave and is the key to remembering that routine in the future. People usually focus on the routine or the action of the habit when trying to break the habit. Charles Duhigg, who authored a book detailing the finding from the scientists, says they now know you must focus on the cue and the reward. You must first identify the cue and then how it relates to the reward. And you can then figure out a new routine to get you to the same reward. If you want to start a new habit like exercise you then need to come up with cues and rewards to help you stick with it. The longer you stick with it the easier it becomes.

## **Issue: Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

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Human traffickers sexually exploit one hundred thousand children in America each year, but there are only 50 shelters to help the ones that have been rescued from that cruel business. These survivors need support to recover from the terrible trauma they have suffered. It is very expensive to run a trafficking shelter. Research is the other hurdle; an American Psychological Task Force recently said there is no reliable estimate of the women and children being trafficked in the US. The task force also found providers need systematic, high quality research to determine what works and what does not. These challenges are taking their toll on the shelters; five have permanently or temporarily closed in the last year. The task force is calling for “survivor informed research” to help pave the way for the survivors. Jeanne Allert founder of the Samaritan Women said picking up the pieces of these broken lives is expensive, complicated, and emotionally draining, but adds doing nothing puts young souls at stake and adds long term cost to society for those who never heal.

## **Issue: New Year Resolutions**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-19-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Most of us make New Year resolutions in January. The number one this year is exercise. It has short and long term benefits. Right away it can improve your mood, reduce stress, and even make your brain work better. Over time it can prevent health problems like obesity, diabetes, heart disease, and cancer. Dr. Harry Lodge said it turns out your cells don't age they grow or decay. If you do things in your life that trigger growth in the cells then your body gets stronger, younger, fitter, healthier, better able to resist disease, and you live life functionally as a young man or woman until very late in the game. But even with all these benefits about 60% of Americans stay on the couch. If you want to be in the 40% group, psychologists say focus on the first three weeks knowing it will get easier. Any activity repeated daily becomes a habit after three weeks. The second one is eat breakfast. #3 eat five servings of fruits and vegetables a day. #4 avoid trans fats. #5 eat the good fats. #6 avoid sugar. #7 keep your hands clean. #8 practice good dental hygiene. #9 get regular screenings depending on your age and gender. #10 get enough sleep.

## **Issue: Obama Care**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-19-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit Federal Appeals Court has ruled Catholic non-profits must provide contraception, a mandate that is included in Obama Care. The Catholic non-profits rejected the challenge, and are delaying implementing the rule. They are waiting on the Supreme Court to rule on the issues in similar cases later this month.

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A new report just released about Obama Care by the Non-partisan Government Accountability office said the Obama administration has taken a passive approach to identifying potential fraud. Investigators say the administration has struggled to resolve eligibility questions affecting millions of initial applications and hundreds of thousands of consumers who were actually approved for benefits.



## **Issue: Planned Parenthood**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-15-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Planned Parenthood is suing The Center for Medical Progress for the videos Medical Progress produced against them. Planned Parenthood said, "This lawsuit exposes the elaborate, illegal conspiracy designed to block women's access to safe and legal abortion." David Daleiden, founder of Center for Medical Progress, said he looked forward to confronting Planned Parenthood officials in court.

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**Air Date and time: 1-26-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The Texas Grand Jury has cleared Planned Parenthood of all wrongdoing from the undercover videotapes showing them selling aborted baby parts. Instead the Grand Jury has indicted The Center for Medical Progress the group who made the videos. The Jury says they found Planned Parenthood did not violate the law, but the makers of the video did. The Jury charged two of them with tampering with a government record, a felony, but has not released any other details. David Daleiden, one of those charged said he used the same undercover techniques as investigative journalist and that he followed the law. The Governor of Texas said they are still investigating the claims on the video. Other states are also investigating Planned Parenthood. Russell Moore from the Southern Baptist Convention said the indictments are complete corruption.

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-4-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Prosecutors have offered probation to one of the Pro-life activists indicted for making the under cover videos about Planned Parenthood. Sandra Merritt turned herself in Wednesday and posted a \$2,000 bond. She is being charged with tampering with a government record (a fake driver's license). The Houston District Attorney is attempting to put the other Pro-life activist in prison. Pro-life leaders and supporters are gathering by David Daleiden's side petitioning a Texas District Attorney to drop attempts to imprison him. Dustin Siggins from lifesitenews.com said many journalists are concerned about the chilling of their free speech and chilling of journalism. This is the first time in history that a Grand Jury was impaneled and is bringing charges with a 20-year penalty for a driver's license (fake ID) for this journalistic story.

## **Issue: Planting Seeds of Greatness Month**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-18-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Dwight Howard NBA basketball star started in 8<sup>th</sup> grade on a mission for God. He said God would give him goals and each time he would write them down. He said God told him he would preach and teach about God and use the NBA as a platform. Dwight followed God's leading and now has that platform. Dwight said no one can steal your joy. Dwight is the founder of the D12 Foundation, an organization focused on positively changing the lives of children around the country. He said his goal is to plant seeds, cultivate them, and watch them grow. Dwight and his philosophy fit well with February's Planting Seeds of Greatness Month.

## **Issue: Pornography**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-29-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Pornography and sex addiction is growing as a problem in Christian marriages according to those who counsel couples. Those addicted need help and cannot do it by themselves. They need people around them to help them. Pastor Jay Dennis in Orlando, Florida has opened his church to those addicted to help them overcome their addictions through counsel and classes. Pastor Jay hopes all under the bondage of porn addiction find freedom.

## **Issue: Obama Gun Control Agenda**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-4-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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President Obama is starting off his new year with plans to crack down on America's gun rights. He is doing it with an Executive Order seems he has not been able to convince Congress to approve new gun restrictions. His measures include expanded background checks on gun sales and forcing more sellers to register as federally licensed gun dealers. The changes are aimed at those who sell through gun shows and online. Other moves include beefing up inspections of licensed dealers.

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President Obama is using his executive pen to put stricter controls on the sales of guns. He says he knows it will not prevent all gun violence, but he says if he can save just one life then it is worth it. The president signed 23 executive orders regarding guns in January 2013 after the mass school shooting Sandy Hook. Since then he signed two more. Attorneys, the White House, and the Justice Department have been pouring over exactly what the president can and cannot do without the approval of Congress. The Courts have over turned his executive orders before. The latest executive order will be challenged in court. Some of the Republican candidates have already vowed to undo them if elected later this year. His moves come as more Americans appose stricter gun control. The White House says this President in his final year as president plans to use every tool at his disposal to advance his agenda.

**Program: The Brody File**

**Air Date and time: 1-12-2016 @ 7:00pm**

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President Obama has been trying to get gun control through Congress and will take executive action if they will not put gun control through. He is also calling on voters to kick out members of Congress who are not willing to put more restrictions on guns. President Obama wants to change the existing to law "anyone" who sells guns must get a license and conduct background checks on buyers. He wants to hire 200 ATF agents to better enforce existing gun laws. He wants Congress to invest \$500million to expand mental health treatment. He wants to work with the gun industry to update gun safety technology. He is trying to make the National Rifle Association (NRA) look like the bad guys. He accused the NRA of holding the Congress hostage. NRA fired back his speech was completely devoid of facts and he was trying to "distract attention away from his lack of a coherent strategy to keep the American people safe from terrorist attacks." Speaker Paul Ryan promised the President would be challenged in court.

## **Issue: Obama State of the Union Address**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-13-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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President Obama gave his last State of the Union Address last night. In it he tried to defend his legacy saying America is still great and he is working hard to battle terrorist. He also said one of his greatest regrets, as President, was he was not able to bridge the divide between Democrats and Republicans.

## **Issue: Obama Muslim Relations**

**Program: The Brody File**

**Air Date and time: 2-16-2016 @ 7:00pm**

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President Obama visited the Islamic Society just outside of Baltimore. The President's team handpicked Muslims from across the country to have a private meeting with him at the mosque. He told the Muslims they should never feel like they do not belong in the USA. Many experts in Islam are wondering why the President chose this mosque. Cliff May from the Foundation for Defense of Democracies said for 17 years this mosque had an Imam who later became a regional Director of an organization that was named by the Treasury Department "especially designated terrorist organization that contributed funds to Osama bin Laden." The mosque never denounced that Imam. There is an Imam there now that said things about homosexuality that if the remarks were said in a church or synagogue, Cliff believes Obama would not step foot in them. The mosque also has ties to the Muslim Brotherhood, which supports radical Islam. By choosing to visit it Cliff May says the President may embolden such groups and frustrate Muslims working to root out Islamism, which is a movement to impose Sharia law and other Islamic traditions on the West. We are fighting an ideology that is based on a theology and America finds that awkward.

## **Issue: Guantanamo Detention Center**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-24-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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After seven years in office President Obama is trying to make good on his 2008 campaign promise to close Guantanamo Bay Detention Center. He says it puts Americans at risk, but critics say it helps to gather intelligence. They pointed out many of the prisoners Obama released have rejoined the jihad. There are 91 terrorists being held there. That is down from 250 when he took office. 35 are waiting for transfers to other counties. The rest Obama wants transferred to the US. His security team has identified 13 possible locations including existing federal prisons and current military bases. Obama said we have many terrorists that have been convicted and are being held successfully in the US. A few on Capital Hill are saying we still have a Gitmo; we just changed the zip code.

## **Issue: Hillary Clinton Emailgate**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-20-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Charles McCullough, Inspector General investigating Hillary Clinton's email, said dozens of new emails have now been found on Hillary's private server. He told Congress some of the emails were beyond the Top Secret classification. They contain information about a highly sensitive program called Special Access Programs. Federal investigators have been probing Clinton's use of private email instead of a protected government email system, which could have exposed critical classified information to hackers from foreign governments.

## **Issue: Hillary Clinton Emailgate cont.**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-25-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Tuesday a Judge ruled the group Judicial Watch could question Clinton's former top aides under oath about whether she deliberately sought to avoid Open Records law by using a private email server. This news comes as Clinton gears up for Super Tuesday across the country.

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The FBI has granted immunity to Hillary Clinton's aide who set up her private server. The aide is now fully cooperating with the FBI in their investigation into Hillary's email scandal.

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**Air Date and time: 3-10-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The possibility of indictment of Hillary Clinton got brought up last night in the Democrat Presidential Debate. Clinton says that she did not send or receive any emails that were marked classified during her time as Secretary of State and is not worried about it. However, lawsuits have been filed for access to her emails in response to the Freedom of Information requests made last year.

## **Issue: Prison Reform**

**Program: The Brody File**

**Air Date and time: 1-26-2016 @ 7:00pm**

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We need the prison system overhauled. Some of the most influential Senators on Capitol Hill have come together with a proposal to reform America's Criminal Justice System. It is a bi-partisan bill that the Democrats and Republicans are excited about. They started creating the new bill to change the system with the thought the punishment does not fit the crime. There are many in prisons that are not a threat to society. The proposal gets rid of the "Three Strikes" law. Lance Lemmonds, Coalition for Public Safety, said it is a grass roots thing. He has gotten groups like NAACP and Faith and Freedom Coalition to come together to fight for prison reform. This year taxpayers will spend 80 billion dollars to keep people locked up. Two and a half million children are growing up with at least one parent behind bars. Lance is trying to break the cycle of incarceration.

## **Issue: Privacy in the Digital Age**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-15-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The US government can get information from any of our devices or appliance that can connect to the internet, so your refrigerator could be watching you in the future. Things like cars, cell phones, refrigerators, televisions and more can be connected to the internet called The Internet of Things. James Clapper the Director of National Intelligence told the Senate the government could hack into The Internet of Things and get all kinds of information. The government's plan could easily create new concerns about privacy in the digital age.

## **Issue: Religious Liberty for All**

**Program: Christian World News**

**Air Date and time: 1-11-2016 @ 7:00pm**

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Americans place a higher priority on protecting religious freedom of Christians than other faith groups. Ed Stetzer, from Lifeway Research, said the best way to protect religious liberty for individuals is to protect it for everyone. He said it must be a universal principle across the United States. If a Muslim in the US would desire a system that would restrict the religious liberty of others then we would have to resist that and we have means to resist it. Ed said over the next 20 years there would be struggles in the US with religious liberty and Christians need to say "religious liberty for all." Ed says we are made in the image of God and we must defend our value and worth and freedom to make choices.

## **Issue: Virginia's Same Sex Marriage Religious Exemption Vetoed**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 3-31-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe has vetoed a religious exemption bill. It would have protected the rights of people who have a religious objection to being involved in same-sex weddings. McAuliffe claims the measure would legalize discrimination against the LGBT community and hurt the states economy. Republican supporters said it would protect the people expressing their sincerely held religious beliefs.

## **Issue: School Districts and Transgender Students**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-24-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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School districts are scrambling across the country to develop policies for transgender students because the Department of Education now says if they do not allow these students to use the bathroom or locker room of their choice, the districts will lose their federal funding. The debate centers on Title IX, the 1972 equal benefits for male and female students. Two years ago in 2014 the Dept. of Ed. Updated the guidelines saying its non-discrimination clause now applies to gender identity. Matt Sharp from Alliance Defending Freedom said the loss of the funding could cripple a school district, which gets \$1,200 - \$2,000 per year per student.

## **Issue: Sex Addiction**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-8-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Sex addiction is one of the most powerful addictions imaginable and it affects everyone including Christians. Dr. Doug Weiss, said it is one of the hardest addictions to walk out of because it is part of who you are. Drugs and alcohol are not part of who you are it is something that you do. Sexuality is part of who you are. He said many caught in sex addictions do not find pleasure in it. They feel trapped and imprisoned by it. He said the actual sexual chemical is stronger than anything you can take. Everyone can be free if they are willing to do the work and they must be honest. He said those addicted to sex could only be healed through God. He said men who get free usually double their income the next year because their self esteem goes up, their creativity goes up, their spiritual and moral maturity raise, and their marriage is more satisfying. Dr. Weiss said it is because they are able to get rid of the guilt and shame.

## **Issue: Health Effects from Sitting for Extended Periods**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-11-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Research scientists are saying sitting is bad for you. Americans that have desk jobs are sitting for an average of 9 hours a day. Those who have jobs sitting at a desk all day are being warned they need to take a short break every hour. When we sit down for long periods of time our bodies start to shut down, which can lead to an early death. Dr. James Levine, Mayo Clinic, said the trick is to tell your mind that sitting is the new smoking that sitting is literally bad for you. He said people who sit for extended periods of time are predisposed to developing diabetes. Those who sit for hours at a time he said are more likely to have high blood pressure, obesity, multiple cancers, and more prone to depression. Walking workstations are becoming popular with office personnel. If you cannot walk while working alternatives would be taking the stairs instead of the elevator, use a portable stair stepper, or set your alarm as a reminder to take a lap or two around the work area. People get as much or more benefit from getting up and walking a little bit every hour than going to the gym three times a week. Walk and talk meetings and walking at lunchtime are becoming very popular. When you get home avoid being a couch potato. Each hour in front of the TV is an 11% higher death risk.

## **Issue: The Dangers of Social Media for Children**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-1-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The third leading cause of death for young people ages 15 to 24 is suicide. One reason is online predators seducing the young person. Many teens log on to the Internet from the privacy of his or her own bedroom not from a personal computer, but from a mobile device like a smart phone. They are often connecting with people they do not know and the parents are unaware. Dr. Linda Mintle says predators are everywhere on the Internet and they know which sites kids tend to go to. Smart phones are often the weapons used to target the kids. Parents do not realize their teens are living in an entirely different world on social media. There are many different sites besides Facebook, i.e. Instagram, snapchat, ooVoo, kik, and vine. Children are more willing to share information that they normally would be comfortable sharing including nude pictures and mature content. Dr. Mintle says parent should look at every device and ask yourself is there a way to access the Internet and how is the access set up. You should also check all the settings.

## **Issue: Carbon Emissions Crack Down Delayed**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-10-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The Supreme Court has put a stop to President Obama's plan to crack down on carbon emissions for power plants. The Court told the administration to wait until all legal challenges are resolved.

## **Issue: Supreme Court Vacancy**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-15-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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America lost Antonin Scalia over the weekend. He was a conservative on the Supreme Court. President Obama said he would fulfill his Constitutional duty by nominating a successor to the Supreme Court. It is assumed that he will nominate a liberal democrat to the position, so Mitch McConnell, Senate Majority Leader, said they would not confirm President Obama's nomination. He said they would wait to see who the President's successor nominates. There are three Justices over the age of 75, so it is likely the next President will fill other vacancies during his or her tenure in the White House. Brad Jacob of Regent University School of Law said he would not be surprised if Chief Justice Roberts tries to drop some of the big cases and not decide them at all until he gets back to a full compliment of 9 justices.

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Senate Republicans will not vote on any nominees to replace Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. Anyone President Obama nominates will not even get a hearing. They point to a video where Vice President Joe Biden in 1992 while he headed up the Judiciary committee said the Senate should not consider holding hearings until after the election. The Republicans said they agree with Biden saying any nomination during a Presidential election would be flooded with political agendas. They said the empty seat would be decided by the nation through the election next November not by a lame duck president.

## **Issue: Supreme Court Abortion Safety Case**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 3-2-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Today the Supreme Court takes up their first abortion case in nearly a decade. The death of Antonin Scalia will clearly take affect. His absence means prolife support from the bench will be much weaker. At stake is whether states can enforce safety standards at abortion clinics. They are hearing a case on a Texas statue that requires abortion doctors to be able to admit patients to a local hospital. It also requires abortion clinics to meet the same safety standards that ambulatory surgical centers use, like a hallway needs to be large enough to fit an ER gurney down it in case there are complications. The Texas law case is asking the court to decide; 1. How important is health and safety? 2. Do the states have the right to set medical standards for abortions? Abortion supporters say the law threatens access and is merely an excuse to shut down clinics. They said half the abortion clinics have closed their doors since the bill passed in 2013. Cathy Ruse from the Family Research Counsel said the law does not close any clinics. It sets standards that they are choosing not to comply with. Dr. Charmaine Yoest from Americans United For Life said it is an interesting situation in our country where veterinary clinics, manicurist, and tanning salons are more regulated than abortion clinics, which involves an invasive surgical procedure for women.

## **Issue: Emergency Survival Skills**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 1-20-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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Not everyone knows what to do in case of an emergency like being lost in the woods or a car accident on a deserted road. In West Virginia Reggie and Deana Bennett run the Mountain Shepherd Wilderness Survival School. They teach military and regular people how to survive the worse scenarios and live to tell about them. They focus on 7 main survival skills: 1.Positive mental attitude, 2.First aid, 3.Shelter, 4.Fire craft, 5.Signaling, 6.Water, and 7.Food. Most people think finding food and water are a top priority in a survival situation, but actually it is building a safe secure shelter. The second thing to do especially in winter is be able to build a fire. These are the most important, as you can survive 3 weeks or more without food and 3 days without water. Reggie also teaches you how to find water, and then food.

## **Issue: Syrian Refugees Immigration**

**Program: Christian World News**

**Air Date and time: 1-11-2016 @ 7:00pm**

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President Obama is still trying to get Syrian refugees into America and many are still saying no because they cannot be vetted properly. Michael McCaul, Chairman on Homeland Security Committee, said you have to take ISIS seriously when they say we will infiltrate the West. President Obama said Syrian refugees are less dangerous than tourist. He wants to bring in at least 10,000 in 2016. The Germans say one out of every three migrants that have entered their country are lying about being Syrian. The Czech President said Europe is facing “an organized invasion and not the spontaneous movement of refugees.” A young refugee told a Swiss newspaper he met many radicalized Muslims on his way to Europe. FBI Director James Comey has warned Congress that Syrian refugees cannot be properly vetted. There have been no refugees admitted into the US since 9/11 that have committed a terrorist attack. The United Nations (UN) rejects, according to Alex Nowrasteh of the CATO Institute, approximately 99% of those being vetted from the refugee camps. The refugee goes through 21 steps from the US to be allowed into the US. The process takes approximately three years.

## **Issue: Digital Terrorism**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

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New steps are being taken to protect national security from the digital dangers posed by terrorist. The secretary of Homeland Security said the move is in response to growing concerns about terrorist being radicalized online. The Department of Homeland Security is stepping up its efforts to stop terrorism at airports, ports, and on social media. Jay Johnson promised to push an aggressive agenda in fighting terrorism. He said they need to fight a new breed of terrorism and attacks that are harder to detect than traditional large scale ones. He said such attacks require a new type of response. Jay said they are expanding the department’s use of social media for various purposes. A US Senate committee has approved a bipartisan bill that would require the Obama administration to prepare a comprehensive strategy to fight terrorist use of social media.

## **Issue: Korean Threat**

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North Korea is threatening to launch nuclear strikes against South Korea and the United States. The two countries began joint large-scale military exercises today. North Korea has a small stockpile of nuclear weapons, but no one is sure if they are able to deliver them on missiles.



## **Issue: Fighting Terrorism**

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Terrorism is becoming rampant around the world, so law enforcement officials here in the US are taking steps to get the right training to fight back. In Little Rock, Arkansas law enforcement professionals from across the US are training to find better ways to respond to terrorist attacks. Rich Mason, a former Green Beret, is the founder of DARC, which has been developing counter terrorism techniques for two decades. The training is very realistic. Police are lining up for the training, many even taking their own vacation time and spending their own money to be there. The law enforcement professionals say knowledge is power and the more you know and experience the better the edge.

## **Issue: Weather**

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Winter storm Jonas shut down most of the East coast over the weekend and is still causing trouble at the beginning of the workweek. Many records for snowfall were broken or tied. Over 12,000 flights were cancelled in and out of the East coast. The airlines are just starting to get the flights moving again. Forecasters say it will be weeks before all the snow has melted away

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A violent deadly storm worked its way through much of the US and left a trail of destruction. The storm killed four in Virginia and left many without power. The storm started in Louisiana and worked its way straight North and East. On the front end, which hit Virginia it was warm storms bringing wind, thunderstorms, and tornados. On the backside of the storm the temperature was frigid and caused whiteout conditions across many states.

## **Issue: Zika Virus**

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The World Health Organization is sounding an alarm over the Zika Virus. It says the disease is spreading explosively in the Americas and four million people could be infected by the end of the year. The biggest concern is for pregnant women whose babies could suffer serious birth defects such as Microcephaly. Microcephaly is where infants are born with abnormally small heads and damaged brains. The Center for Disease Control has issued a travel advisory warning pregnant women to postpone travel to South America, Central America, Mexico, Cape Verde, the Caribbean, and Samoa.

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The World Health Organization (WHO) has now declared the mosquito born Zika Virus an international health emergency. In South America it is linked to approximately 4,000 devastating birth defects mainly Microcephaly. Scientists are working on a Zika vaccine, but it is not expected to be available for years, so the only way to not get the Zika Virus is to avoid getting bit by a mosquito. The CDC said it is possible even likely that we will see limited Zika outbreaks in the US.

## **Issue: Zika Virus cont.**

**Program: CBN Newswatch**

**Air Date and time: 2-3-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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A person in Texas has become infected with the Zika Virus through sexual contact. The person had not traveled to the affected areas, but had sex with a person who returned from Venezuela with the illness. The Center for Disease Control (CDC) has confirmed the lab test results. The CDC will issue guidance in the coming days on prevention of sexual transmission of the Zika Virus. This is the first known case of the illness being transmitted within the US.

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**Air Date and time: 2-5-2016 @ 6:30pm**

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The Governor of Florida said 5 counties are now facing a health emergency from the Zika Virus. The Governor said all the cases are from people who have been infected after traveling to other countries, but they are concerned the mosquito born virus could spread inside the US. The mosquito that carries the Zika Virus is very common in Florida.

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The White House administration is asking for two billion dollars to fight the Zika Virus. So far 50 US travelers have returned with it in the last three months. The CDC is advising pregnant women to avoid travel to Zika affected countries.

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Scientists want to release genetically modified male mosquitos carrying a deadly gene to help wipe out the Zika Virus. It would make their offspring die before they are old enough to bite. The FDA says the modified mosquitos are not dangerous to humans or the environment. In Brazil scientists are already using these mosquitos. There is no way to get rid of the mosquitos once the Zika virus is finished.