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FOR EVERYONE

“I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness”

(1 Timothy 2:1-2).

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Praying for Elected Officials



Every year our government officials face decisions that will have long-term impacts on Tennessee families. Federal and state leaders will determine

issues such as the legal definition of marriage; the protection of unborn babies; the extent to which TV can broadcast obscenities into our living rooms; whether parents' rights will be respected in public school classrooms; and to what degree our churches and para-church organizations can enjoy the freedom of religion. Local leaders decide important issues such as public education and whether to regulate and enforce laws against adult businesses.

As the Tennessee General Assembly reconvened on January 13, 2009, we need to be obedient to the apostle Paul's exhortation in 1 Timothy 2 to pray for "kings and all those in authority," that they would:

- Govern as leaders who must answer to God, not just to voters.
- Be protected from personal sin, particularly those that would compromise their judgment.
- Remember that "Righteousness exalts a nation" (Proverbs 14:34).
- Put aside personal and political ambition.
- Promote and defend a culture that values the traditional family, for the sake of the common good.