There is no doubt that we are now facing more complex challenges to our Judeo-Christian identity and moral values than at any time since our nation’s founding. Yet despite the short-term pain of watching our foundational values and our precious liberties being betrayed, subordinated to foreign interests, and forced to conform to the demands of small special-interest groups like the pro-homosexual lobby, the tide is turning in the summer of 2014!

As the shocking and scandalous events in Barack Obama’s second term have shown, this President and Senate – along with ultra-liberal organizations like the ACLU, Lambda Legal Defense Fund, Planned Parenthood, and others – will use any means to advance their political agenda, including illegal collusion with federal agencies like the IRS and the Department of Justice (DOJ).

What is changing as we enter the second half of this pivotal midterm election year is that there are only two and a half years left in the Obama presidency (unless it is cut short through impeachment). Time is growing short for the Obama/Reid “axis of evil” to force their socialist, anti-American schemes on the American people using pen, phone, and legislative subterfuge.

Our litigation team is managing a substantial caseload in defense of faith, freedom, and family, in addition to confronting the socialist push from the Obama White House and its confederates in the massive federal bureaucracy, and the leftist 113th Senate. Because you are a friend of Liberty Counsel, you know...

- Our legal team continues to lead the charge to stop ObamaCare’s implementation on behalf of private citizens like you across the country. Liberty Counsel filed one of the first private-sector lawsuits to stop the oppressive and unconstitutional government takeover of our healthcare system and won’t hesitate to file yet another seminal case when it is strategically advantageous. And the Supreme Court’s decision on the HHS contraception and abortion-inducing drug mandate was a huge blow to the Obama agenda and a big win for religious freedom. Liberty Counsel filed amicus briefs in that Supreme Court case.

- Liberty Counsel is fielding innovative and effective strategies to educate, motivate, and activate the pastors and Christian congregations of America to embrace their God-given mandate to impact America’s political systems and culture for good.

We assure you that our legal team is fully committed to stand for our cherished values against the flood of attacks that are coming from pro-homosexual activists, socialist power-mongers, and other enemies of true freedom.

As you read the enclosed refined listing of this year’s campaigns and achievements, please know that our work would be totally impossible without your support. Together, we can and are making a difference!
LIBERTY COUNSEL HAD A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE CULTURE THROUGHOUT THE FISCAL YEAR

Together, We are Fighting to Preserve the Soul of our Republic!

The following brief synopsis of hundreds of cases and other legal actions Liberty Counsel undertook in Fiscal Year 2013-2014 is just a sampling of the actual volume of activity friends like you have helped us achieve. Besides being one of the nation’s first Christian, public-interest law firms, we are also among the most aggressive and productive. We have organized the highlights of our activities this fiscal year in accordance with Liberty Counsel’s motto: Restoring the Culture by Advancing Religious Freedom, the Sanctity of Human Life, and the Family.

Religious Freedom

• Continued our four-year fight against ObamaCare and the HHS Employer Mandate, which requires that employers provide contraceptives and abortion-inducing drugs and devices. Filed a major brief with the U.S. Supreme Court in Sebelius v. Hobby Lobby.

• Filed an amicus brief with the U.S. Supreme Court on behalf of the Town of Greece, New York, in which the Supreme Court issued a landmark decision upholding the right to open public meetings in prayer.

• Resolved many cases involving Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF) in multiple states where school districts formerly discriminated against the Good News Clubs in terms of use of the facilities, time of use, fees, and announcements or advertisements. Now scores of children will be able to hear the Good News in public schools, where they couldn’t before our interventions.

• Filed a brief in a major CEF case at the court of appeals and will later present oral argument for equal access in the public school.

• Defended the 131-year-old city of Deland, Florida, seal containing a cross, after Americans United for Separation of Church and State complained that the seal is unconstitutional.

• Won a lawsuit against the City of Plainfield, Illinois, which denied equal access to Liberty Counsel because its meeting would include prayer and religious viewpoints on the founding of America. The city had to rewrite its policy and pay attorney fees.

• Provided legal counsel to Wausau West High School officials in Wisconsin after an atheist group complained when the choir director included religious songs in a Christmas concert.

• Intervened with Bagley Independent School District on behalf of Usama Dakdok, an anti-Sharia speaker, resulting in the school district in Minnesota reversing its viewpoint discrimination and allowing him to speak to students on campus.

• Led the national opposition to the proposed IRS rules that were designed to prohibit the speech of faith-based and policy organizations.

• Defended the First Amendment rights of a Pueblo, Colorado, citizen who regularly engages in street witnessing.

• Filed an amicus brief in support of Little Sisters of the Poor. The ObamaCare HHS mandate compels the Catholic nuns to chose between their sincerely held religious beliefs and their mission helping the poor.

• Filed a federal lawsuit and won a major case against the Lake County, Florida, School District because one of its high schools persistently discriminated against the Fellowship of Christian Athletes by denying the Christian group equal access and equal treatment.

Sanctity of Human Life

• Filed the nation’s first private lawsuit against ObamaCare in 2010, became the first to argue the case at a federal court of appeals, and filed two briefs before the U.S. Supreme Court. Reargued the case at the federal court of appeals in May 2013, and filed a petition with the Supreme Court challenging ObamaCare’s employer mandate and the mandates that force employers and individuals to fund abortion. Filed a brief at the Supreme Court in the Hobby Lobby case arguing against the HHS abortion mandate.

• Provided counsel to Arkansas legislators on the Human Heartbeat Protection Act, which prohibits abortions performed at or after the twelfth week of pregnancy, and filed a brief on behalf of Concepts of Life Crisis Pregnancy...
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• Filed suit in federal district court and then filed a brief in the
court of appeals on behalf of counselors, clients, and
counseling associations challenging New Jersey Bill A3371, which bans counselors from offering, and minors from receiving, counseling to diminish, eliminate, or change same-sex attractions, behavior, or identity.
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challenging California Law SB 1172, banning minors from
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Among the many Liberty Counsel achievements in Fiscal Year 2013-2014 was the premier of our first feature film, Uncommon (Top Left images). This feature-length motion picture stars Erik Estrada (of The Cross and the Switchblade and CHiPs fame), Ben Davies (Courageous), Irma P. Hall (Soul Food), and Grammy Award-winning Christian musician Jason Crabb. Uncommon highlights the struggles of a group of students at fictional Rosewood High School, but the help they get from Liberty Counsel and constitutional attorney Mat Staver portrays the real-life work we have provided to hundreds of students, parents, and educators across the nation. At Center Left, the famous West Façade of the United States Supreme Court is depicted, the site of several Liberty Counsel litigation and education events in the past fiscal year. Whether it was our ongoing litigation against ObamaCare, our petitions for the High Court to hear some of our leading cases, or the hosting of law student interns at the Court, our work will continually impact American jurisprudence at the very highest level. Also at Center Left, our landmark cases on behalf of counselors, clients, and professional counseling associations are represented by a counseling session between a young man, who is dealing with unwanted same-sex attractions, behavior, and/or identity, and a professional counselor. Outrageous pro-homosexual laws in both California and New Jersey have banned minors from receiving, and counselors from offering, counsel to diminish, eliminate, or change such unwanted impulses, and Liberty Counsel is fighting at the appellate and Supreme Court levels to overturn such thoroughly unconstitutional laws. At Lower Left, Liberty Counsel Founders Mat and Anita Staver are shown arriving at the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals to advance our case against the healthcare reform law, better known as ObamaCare. With the very recent victory of Burwell v. Hobby Lobby, the prospect of launching yet another strategic lawsuit against ObamaCare is being considered. Liberty Counsel prepared an extensive amicus brief in the Hobby Lobby case. At Bottom Left, our 2014 Pastors & Patriots campaign is a massive effort to educate, motivate, and activate Bible-believing pastors to take the lead in turning out Christian voters in the upcoming midterm elections, while also building an enduring base for future impact. At Center Bottom and Bottom Right, Mat Staver is shown speaking to a diverse group of senior Peruvian leaders in the nation’s Senate Room and receiving a Medal of Honor from the Congress of Peru for Liberty Counsel’s work on behalf of religious liberty. At Lower Right, Mat Staver is shown testifying in early June before the U.S. House Committee on the Judiciary’s Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice regarding the state of religious liberty in the United States. Liberty Counsel’s Founder and Chairman is increasingly sought out for expert testimony and commentary by government agencies and the national media. Framing the right side of this photo montage is a group of New Revolution Publishers’ titles that have been extremely popular and in high demand. The Patriot’s Handbook series alone is now approaching one million books in print, a rarely achieved milestone for any public policy and current events publication effort.
“Naughty & Nice” list which catalogs retailers that recognize or censor Christmas.

- Hosted law student interns at the U.S. Supreme Court as part of our 10-week program to train a new generation of Christian legal advocates through Liberty University School of Law’s internship, externship, and constitutional litigation clinic programs. A Supreme Court Justice spoke to the interns.
- Hosted law students and other interns in Washington, D.C., through the Liberty Center for Law and Policy, where they worked on important national and state legislative and policy matters.
- Participated in the Seventh Annual TeenPact Judicial Program at Liberty University School of Law, a week-long program that instructs motivated teenagers in the rule of law and the importance of a Christian worldview.
- Cosponsored the Values Voter Summit in Washington, D.C., with about 2,000 in attendance.
- Conducted many conferences to educate teachers and public school administrators on how to integrate Christian values and history into their curricula and informed them of students’ rights to religious liberty.
- Conducted many training conferences for the Salt & Light Council’s Biblical Citizenship Ministry, where leaders are trained to educate and mobilize citizen activism.
- Hosted a training and educational tour of Israel as part of our Liberty Ambassador Counsel program, with the goal of strengthening participants’ Christian faith and equipping them to be goodwill ambassadors for Israel. Participants also met with high-ranking Israeli political, military, academic, business, and religious leaders, including members of the Knesset (the legislature of Israel).
- Cosponsored the annual Israeli Solidarity Event at the Israeli Embassy in Washington, D.C., in order to celebrate Israel’s independence and support its right to exist.
- Completed service on a national panel of legal experts on The Commission on Accountability and Policy for Religious Organizations. The panel addressed key legal issues affecting churches and nonprofit organizations, such as the current rule regarding political campaign intervention by churches and other nonprofits. The report is now available to the public.
- Sponsored the Women Impacting the Nation (WIN) conference in Orlando, Florida, with the theme For Such a Time as This. Liberty Counsel’s WIN project educates and empowers women to strengthen their voice in activism and advocacy on issues important to their families and their communities. Many speakers and attendees remarked that this was the best women’s conference they had ever attended.
- Continued to expand our daily radio program, Freedom’s Call, to more than 500 radio stations each weekday.
- Launched a 60-second, Hispanic radio program, Llamado de Libertad (Freedom’s Call). Hosted by Dr. Yuri Mantilla, Llamado de Libertad follows the same format as Freedom’s Call, with the goal to encourage, educate, and reach out to the Hispanic community.
- Launched the new Faith and Freedom Weekly Wrap 30-minute radio program, as part of the new Washington Times Radio on Kalikki Radio.
- Launched the new Liberty Counsel weekly column in the Washington Times.
- Launched the new Liberty Counsel news portal on TheBlaze.
- Spoke to a packed audience in the Peruvian Congress Senate and received the Peruvian Congressional Medal of Honor. Honored by the Order of Peruvian Lawyers and the National Peruvian Assembly of Rectors.
- Recipient of the “Daniel Webster Lifetime Achievement Award” from the Florida Family Policy Council. Sen. Marco Rubio and Eric Metaxas were guest speakers.
- Recipient of the “Defender of Freedom Award” at the first Ex-Gay Awareness Dinner in Washington, D.C., for the right of same-sex attracted individuals to change and for defending change therapy in California and New Jersey.
- Recipient of the Paul Weyrich “Faith Leader of the Year” award in Washington, D.C.
- Sent over 160 million educational emails to like-minded citizens, urging active engagement in the vital issues of our day.
- Distributed over 300,000 Patriot’s Handbooks, reaching every public school in America, tens of thousands of churches and pastors, and well over 100,000 grassroots patriots residing in virtually every community in the nation.
- Launched the Liberty Prayer Network, a prayer ministry collaborating with our extensive group of friends and supporters.
- The Salt & Light Council, a 501(c)(3) ministry to churches, became an affiliated ministry of Liberty Counsel.
- Partnered with the National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference (NHCLC), the largest Hispanic organization in the country, comprised of 40,118 Evangelical Hispanic churches. Mat Staver serves as the Vice President of the NHCLC Board of Directors and Chief Legal Counsel. Liberty Counsel sponsors the Life Directive, which is one of seven major activities of NHCLC, and serves as the legislative and policy arm of NHCLC.
**Ministry Projects and Other Affiliations**

- **Liberty Counsel Action** is a 501(c)(4) sister organization. This ministry increases our ability to engage in issue advocacy and lobbying legislators and other elected officials. LCAction.org.

- **Liberty Action PAC** is affiliated with our sister organization, Liberty Counsel Action, and is engaged in voter mobilization. We are now strategically positioned to greatly impact public policy and elections. LibertyActionPAC.com.

- **Liberty Ambassador Counsel** connects people with the nation of Israel and includes tours of biblical sites, special briefings by leading Israeli leaders, and educational updates. The tour is unique among Israel tours and is designed to strengthen your faith and equip you to be a goodwill ambassador for Israel. AmbassadorCounsel.com.

- **New Revolution Publishers** produces books and educational materials on American history, the Founding Fathers, first principles, worldview, and citizen activism.

- **New Revolution Institute** provides training to educate and mobilize citizen activists in order to advance our nation’s core values and celebrate its first principles.

- **Women Impacting the Nation (WIN)** educates and equips women with the knowledge of God’s truth about issues that impact our faith, families, and freedom. WomenImpactingTheNation.org.

- **The Freedom Federation Social 2.0 Internet platform** supports events, blogging, and social networking. The FF Mobile smart phone application with GPS capability to locate events is included. FreedomFederation.org.

- The **Liberty Counsel Connect** website links all of the Liberty Counsel entities and provides updates and interactive news. This website allows easy access to the websites of our various ministry outreaches. LibertyCounsel.com.

- **The Liberty Prayer Network** is a prayer ministry collaborating with our extensive group of friends and supporters. Liberty Prayer Network is headed by International Director Maureen Bravo. LibertyPrayerNet.org.

- **Who Will Stand? Pastors and Wives** Meetings and Church Rallies are key components of our massive 2014 Pastors & Patriots campaign.

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The Justina Pelletier case caught the nation’s attention and a massive amount of media attention throughout the first six months of 2014. Liberty Counsel’s Founder and Chairman, Mat Staver, is shown (Bottom Left) appearing on the Fox News Network’s Huckabee show with Justina’s father, Lou Pelletier, in one of Mat’s several appearances with Governor Mike Huckabee highlighting this seminal case. Mat also made multiple appearances on Glenn Beck’s BlazeTV programs, Fox’s The Kelly File, and many other top-rated programs. This group of images also depicts some of the many thousands of custom “Get Well” cards Liberty Counsel’s many friends sent to Justina, most of which were deeply communicative of love for this brave young girl and deeply touching. At Right, the joyous moment of Justina’s arrival at her home in June in the arms of her grateful father makes the many intense hours of Liberty Counsel’s representation, which included many weekends and special flights to the Boston area, well worthwhile! Thank You to all of our friends that supported this landmark case!
The countdown to determining our national destiny is now well under way. The 2012 national elections were the most pivotal in our generation — and among the most critical in our nation's history. The 2014 midterm elections are certain to be the same. Marriage, family, and the pillars of our society and government are continuing to be systematically undermined. The nature of this conflict is fundamentally simple: One vision will win. One will lose.

Through intimidation and misinformation, many church leaders and pastors have been led to believe they are muzzled concerning political issues. Pivotal questions must be answered: What can be done in America's churches and spoken from America's pulpits? What is the truth about the so-called separation of church and state?

Before there was a United States of America, there was a group of colonists who were disaffected with British governmental practices and who shared a common love of liberty. Before there was a Declaration of Independence, there were patriots, mostly Christian, and there were churches and pastors, who not only ardently spoke of salvation through Jesus Christ, but about our God-given right to individual freedom and responsibility.

In the 17th century American colonies, it would not be uncommon to hear sermons from a pulpit based on fundamental truths that were later fashioned into a political writing that became known as the Declaration of Independence:

“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness.”

Pastors and churches are God's instruments to impact a culture! Pastors and leaders of Christian ministries have a high calling to preach the truth from the Word of God. Speaking the truth is essential all of the time, but it is especially important to do so when a culture has the opportunity to elect leaders who will make law and policy that affect our faith, our families, and our freedom.

Perhaps more than ever before in our nation's history, there is an intense struggle for the soul of America. In this age of digital communication, as at earlier times, a very large number of Americans look to pastors and Christian ministry leaders for guidance on important moral and social issues.

**Silence is Not an Option!**

Liberty Counsel has developed a powerful DVD action pack composed of a DVD entitled *Pastors & Patriots: Silence is Not an Option* and the *Patriot's Handbook of Political Action for Pastors and Churches*. This invaluable resource is so powerful that Liberty Counsel is going to distribute it to over 150,000 churches before the 2014 midterm elections! But our Pastors & Patriots initiative now operates throughout the year to mobilize pastors and churches to make a positive difference. To help you get involved in this critical outreach, we will send you a *Pastors & Patriots: Silence is Not an Option Action Pack* for your gift of $10 or more to Liberty Counsel. You may go to LC.org or call 800-671-1776 to get yours today!

Our pastors and Christian ministry leaders have a God-given responsibility to speak the truth. The DVD *Pastors & Patriots: Silence is Not an Option and the Patriot's Handbook of Political Action for Pastors and Churches* can help guide every American Christian in planning their activities and messages in the political arena.
At this pivotal time in our history, we are committed to training and equipping pastors and churches to be biblical advocates and to exercise responsible biblical citizenship through the establishment of local church outreaches called Salt & Light Biblical Citizen Ministries.

The Salt & Light Council is a nonpolitical, nonpartisan organization, dedicated to promoting biblical and moral values in the public sector. The Salt & Light Council is now an affiliate ministry of Liberty Counsel, and we are currently providing local support to many different churches and denominations across the country which share our biblical values. We seek to transform hearts and minds through prayer, education, and action. We mobilize Christians at the grassroots level, helping them live out their God-given responsibility to influence government and civic affairs for good.

Salt & Light Citizenship Ministries provide solutions to the obstacles American Christians face, including: The proper role of churches in civil government; pastors who mistakenly believe they should stay silent; church members who are unaware of what the Bible says about a given policy issue and are also uninformed about our nation’s Judeo-Christian heritage; and people who want to engage in the battle but don’t know how or where to start.

The Salt & Light Council provides training and incredible resources on a regular and ongoing basis for local church volunteers who work under the blessing of their pastors and operate the Salt & Light Biblical Ministry through their churches.

**What Can You Do?**

If you would like to start a Salt & Light Biblical Ministry in your local church, call 800-671-1776 or 888-SALT-n-LIGHT today. We will take your hand and walk you through the process. You will receive incredible training and ongoing help and resources.

We believe that America is at a crossroads. While this country is in a mess, we also believe that with God, all things are possible. And we believe that God works through His people who are dedicated to Him and who rely upon Him for wisdom and strength. God’s pastors and His body of believers in the church are key to revival and renewal in America and around the world. Instead of being intimidated or discouraged, get excited and get involved! We serve a God who is all-powerful. Join us in starting a Salt & Light Biblical Ministry in your local church. Become part of the solution to fight for the faith, preserve our biblical values, and change the world!

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