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My Meeting with President Trump

Dave Kubal, IFA President/CEO

I had the great honor of sponsoring a conference call with President Trump to commemorate the official launch of the National Faith Advisory Board (NFAB). I am privileged to serve as a member of the NFAB Council.

The Trump administration was the most prayed for in the history of our country because the Body of Christ understood the importance of that time in history and the incredible calling upon President Trump's life.

The passion of President Trump for issues that are important to intercessors brought an enthusiasm to pray that was unlike anything we had seen before or since. I have always felt that it was the Lord who stirred the hearts of intercessors to pray for President Trump.

Millions of intercessors have expressed their gratitude to God for President Trump, and even now they continue to intercede for him.

During this historic call, President Trump expressed his deep gratitude for people of faith and complimented the leaders and intercessors on the call for the "fantastic job you're doing." He expressed that the NAFB is more important now than ever before. President Trump encouraged people of faith on the call: "I don't believe our country has ever been under more siege. You are the wall. You are the ones who can do it."

I told President Trump that people of faith appreciate that he is such a champion of religious freedoms. I asked him what threats he sees and what people like us can do about it.

President Trump answered that there are people who want to take our religious freedoms away. He said, "This coalition of faith leaders will have to work hard to push back on these threats. We must go out and fight for our religious freedom."

When asked what his proudest achievement as President was, his answer revealed the special anointing on him to achieve God's purposes. He answered that he was most proud of the strong relationship the United States had with Israel during his term. Why is President Trump hopeful for America? "Without

God we have nothing. The people on this call have tremendous spirit and tremendous hope and they all love God."

Finally, I would like to share with you the prayer I prayed during this important conference call:

Lord, we come to You today with grateful hearts—grateful for the history of this nation and how You have protected us through the years, even when we did not deserve it.

Today we are asking for Your mighty hand to move. We pray You would guide our nation's leaders in ways that are pleasing to You. We pray Your values would be expressed through our laws and the practices of our government.

We ask specifically for a blessing to be upon President Trump and his family. We pray that all the plans and purposes You have for him would come to pass. We pray no weapon formed against him would prosper. May You grant him divine revelation from Your throne. May Your Holy Spirit be upon him and fill him afresh.

Lord, we pray You would put around him wise advisors, who know Your heart and can offer godly advice. Bless the National Faith Advisory Board, may they engage and release the Body of Christ to be salt and light in this nation.

We do this for the sake of Your name and Your fame. For Yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory. In Jesus' name, amen. *Stream the Special Prayer at ifapray.org.* ★ IFA





Obedience Is Opening Doors to the Impossible

Gloria Robles, IFA Contributing Writer

God is raising up His people, sending them out with influence, and opening doors only He can open. There is but one prerequisite—obedience.

Whitney Thorn has been a Christian all her life. Until a year ago, her prayers were self-focused, and she rarely read the Word. When she began to consistently read the Bible daily, pray, and fast, the Lord unlocked His Word to her. She shifted from simply praying to an intercession that put others before self and God's agenda above her own.

As Whitney participated in extended fasts, she was given her assignment—the unsaved and the sleeping church. God asked her to step out in boldness, standing up for biblical truth. She responded with more intercession, fasting, and action.

“I remember praying a dangerous prayer,” Whitney said. “I cried out to Him, ‘God, there is so much deception. Will You please use me?’”

At that time, Whitney's children attended a Christian school that intended to “incorporate culture change” (code for LGBTQ ideals, Critical Race Theory, and evolution). Whitney met with the school leaders. With boldness and love, she spoke the truth from God's Word about why it was not permissible to allow any of the above in a Christian school. She fervently prayed for the parents and leaders of the school.

Whitney shared how God answered, “Many families met with the principal to take a stand against corrupt teachings. The principal required the science department to remove everything from the curriculum that was against the biblical truth of creation.”

As Whitney continued to pray, listen, and obey, God opened more doors for strategic intercession. Affluent friends invited her to a \$5,000 per plate dinner for Governor DeSantis. Whitney joked to her friend, “It's too rich for me, but I'd love to help in any way.” A few days before the event, Whitney and her

sister, Kacy, signed up as servers.

Whitney and Kacy interceded throughout their time at the event. When Kacy took a photo with DeSantis, she looked him in the eyes and said, “We are praying for you.” He humbly thanked her. DeSantis also spoke to Whitney about the catering. She told him how she took the position to pray for him and meet him. She thanked him for fighting for Florida's freedoms and the great work he has done.



Whitney Thorn and Governor Ron DeSantis

We asked Whitney what Scriptures guide her as she prays for the nation.

Patient endurance is what you need now, so that you will continue to do God's will. Then you will receive all that he has promised. (Heb 10:36)

Then the glory of the LORD will be revealed, and all people will see it together. The LORD has spoken! (Is 40:5)

The LORD will lay bare his holy arm in the sight of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth will see the salvation of our God. Depart, depart, go out from there! Touch no unclean thing! Come out from it and be pure, you who carry the articles of the LORD's house. But you will not leave in haste or go in flight; for the LORD will go before you, the God of Israel will be your rear guard. (Is 52:10-12)

Whitney emphasized the importance of obedience. She said, “If you truly mean it when you pray for God to use you, He will answer. God will open the door, but you must obey.” ★ IFA

FIRST FRIDAY

prayer

OCTOBER 1, 2021

On the first Friday of every month we encourage intercessors to fast and pray for America using the prayer focuses below.

AWAKEN YOUR PEOPLE

Lord Jesus, awaken Your people. Awaken Your leaders. Awaken Your churches. Move us with compassion for the lost. Move us with holy boldness to take a stand for righteousness. Let us unashamedly speak the truth in love. We know that You will never leave us nor forsake us. Like Isaiah, let my heart's cry be: “Here I am Lord, send me.” Send me where You need me. Send me into the marketplace. Send me to the schools. Send me to the churches, even into the governmental arena. Send me where I can make the most impact for Your kingdom.

Whether I am in a classroom or waiting tables, I will be obedient. Don't place me where I want to be; place me where You want me and where people need me. I will not waste another opportunity to present Jesus to those who need Him. Let my obedience bring glory and honor to Your name. In Jesus' name, amen.

REVEAL THE ROOTS

Father God, as we pray for our nation, please reveal the roots of the problems we face. Show us how to pray about the causes and not just the symptoms of our nation's issues. Reform our education systems. Reform our government. Reform our communities. Revive us and our nation. Open our eyes to see how You are working in our nation and stir us to pray effectively. Thank You for the intercessors who kneel before You on behalf of the United States of America.



Digging Up the Roots of the Socialist Agenda

Nancy Huff, IFA Contributing Writer

Recent surveys indicate up to half of millennials in America today favor socialism. To many it seems as if the push for Critical Race Theory (CRT) policies in business, education, and the public sector came out of nowhere. In truth, the roots run deep.

When riots in Minneapolis, Portland, Washington, D.C., and Kenosha, Wisconsin, rocked our country from coast to coast, intercessors began to pray. IFA immediately published articles with prayer directives to help intercessors pray, not just for the rioters and their victims, but also for God to reveal the root causes of the riots, so our nation could experience healing at the deepest level. What became very clear is the substantial role our public schools played in stoking the fires of the rioters and planting seeds that would grow into CRT indoctrination in every sector of American life. For years, socialist teachers and curricula have influenced the students that sat in our classrooms. How did this happen?

Any student attending a social studies class in an American college likely sat under a professor who identified as a Marxist or a socialist. Public schools also teach Marxism and socialism in classes that promote CRT, sexual identity and transgender studies, ethnic studies, and action civics; all contain Marxist, socialist, anti-American, and anti-God content. This material didn't just arrive in our schools but has slowly been integrated into classroom material and teacher training programs for many years.

Below are four historical entry points that opened the doors for socialism in public schools and our public life:

- In 1834, Horace Mann, Massachusetts Secretary of Education, founded the first public school supported with taxpayer money to separate students

from biblical religious teachings of their families and churches.

- William Torrey Harris, U.S. Commissioner of Education (1889–1906), introduced German socialism into schools under the guise of *scientific management*. He created a new faith that replaced Christianity.
- In 1917, with the help of the Carnegie Foundation, the National Education Association created a pivotal report titled *Cardinal Principles of Secondary Education*. This report was one of the most influential documents in creating socialism in our schools. As a result, social studies replaced history as a school subject. The new goal of education became developing specific behaviors, health, and vocational training instead of mental development, character, and godliness.
- John Dewey (1859-1952), known as the Father of Modern Education, was a self-proclaimed socialist. He hated the American *independent mindset* and sought *social evolution* in education. Dewey is one of the most influential educators in America.

The American educational system has little by little abandoned its emphasis on a personal relationship with God, who requires accountability for our actions. The resulting vacuum was filled with a disdain for God and responsibility to no one, opening the door for socialism.

For years, IFA has helped intercessors *connect the dots* to reveal why we are where we are in America. By providing that information, intercessors can pray more effectively for the transformation of our education system and our country, believing God that we will not embrace the same past mistakes. We must press on as we pray and believe God for reformation and revival in America. *** IFA**

TEAR-OFF

7 Strategic Prayers for the Church from JOHN 17

In this day, the Church must arise and influence our leaders for the sake of religious freedom. The battle for power in the heavenlies is constant and ongoing. Jesus' prayer in John 17 reminds us how to pray about the challenges we face today.

- 1. Pray that we as individuals and the Church would bring glory to God by accomplishing all He has given us to do.**

"I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do (v. 4)."

Lord, You have called each of us to honor You with our lives by setting before us the works You desire us to accomplish. Today, I pray that You would empower me to accomplish everything You desire, that I might bring maximum glory to You. I pray this for myself, my friends, and the leaders of my church.
- 2. Pray believers would receive divine revelation for this day.**

"For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them (v. 8)."

Lord, I ask You to give me words that speak to the circumstances of our nation today. You tell us You have given and will give words to those who follow You, so today I ask You for these divine utterances. Help me take hold of Your words.
- 3. Pray continually for your local church and national Church leaders.**

"I pray for them (v. 9)."

Lord, on behalf of my local church, the Church in my city, and the leaders of the Church in the United States, I pray You would use Your people in this day. Jesus, Your followers have supernatural power through You in us. I pray for Your power to be displayed through them in this day.

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TEAR-OFF

4. Pray for the protection of true believers.

“Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me (v. 11).”

Lord, You are not of this world. You are our eternal Creator, who is the author of all power. Now, by the very power that Your name contains and all the attributes You possess, would You protect Your true followers?

5. Pray for believers to know the joy of the Lord in the midst of adversity.

“...[T]hey may have the full measure of my joy within them (v. 13).”

Lord, when the early disciples spent time in jail or were martyred for believing in You, they sang songs of praise to You up until the final moments of their lives. They were able to do this because of the joy You put in their hearts. I pray that we would experience Your joy in this way as well.

6. Pray for the sanctification of believers.

“Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth (v. 17).”

Lord, only Your truth can make us holy. May You cause our eyes to see and our hearts to understand what is truth and what is not. There is a great deception over the Church today. I pray countless followers would have a new yearning to know what is true and what is not.

7. Pray the true Church in your community, in your state, and in our nation would stand together.

“I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one—I in them and you in me—so that they may be brought to complete unity (v. 22-23).”

Lord, You have demonstrated the power of Your hand over Your followers and over nations through the centuries. You have consistently used Your people to guide and direct nations. Would You do a miracle in our day? Would You draw Your followers together in supernatural ways to accomplish supernatural miracles?

answered PRAYER

THOUSANDS SAVED IN AFGHANISTAN

Former Marine Chad Robichaux and a team of volunteers saved over 30,000 Americans, allies, and women and children in Afghanistan. Moved personally to save his long-time interpreter Aziz (and family), Robichaux gathered former military for the mission. With prayer support including IFA intercessors, Robichaux saw God use his team to deliver tens of thousands out of the disaster in Afghanistan. Praise God for selfless heroes and the power of prayer!

HIGH COURT UPHOLDS PROPERTY RIGHTS

The Supreme Court allowed rent evictions to resume, ending the pandemic-instituted eviction moratorium. Although the moratorium was implemented to limit undue hardship during a time of decreased employment and increased financial stress, the action went far beyond what the law allows and created hardship for landlords. Removal of the eviction moratorium upholds Americans’ property ownership rights and the rule of law.

TEXAS ABORTION BAN TAKES EFFECT

Intercessors are celebrating a historic SCOTUS decision for Life. The Texas Heartbeat Act will make abortion illegal after a heartbeat is detected (typically around 6 weeks gestation). Governor Abbott signed the bill in May, but multiple abortion providers sued to block the law from taking effect, claiming the law would prevent most abortions. The Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals denied their request, and the Supreme Court declined to block the law.

The author of heartbeat bills in America, Janet Porter, told IFA that a pre-born baby’s life was spared in Texas just hours before the abortion would have been illegal. Why? Because the mother heard her infant’s heart beating. This is the essence of heartbeat bills. Porter prayed with IFA on a Thursday Pray with Others live webcast recently. Find out more on the IFA YouTube channel.

IFA COMMUNITY

“It’s easy to hear Abba’s heart through the pen of IFA intercessors leaving comments at IFApray.org. IFA is a never-ending source of encouragement and truth. The situation in Afghanistan has left me breathless and in tears over the losses experienced. I love how the Lord has encouraged us that we just haven’t heard the stories yet! Intercessors understand the depth of heaviness with not only this situation but also the effort to systematically dismantle our God-given Republic. God forgive us; God deliver us from our enemy. We know all things are in Your holy, righteous, justice-filled hands. We just want to be in the gap doing our part when we see You.” -Danielle H.

FIRST FRIDAY prayer

**CONFERENCE CALL
OCTOBER 1, 2021
12:15 PM ET**

Join with thousands across the U.S. in praying for America, its leaders, and its citizens.

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