



New State Directors Share the Passion

I am pleased to let you know some very exciting news! Already this year, CWA has approved nine new directors to lead our state organizations. These women, from the mother of toddlers to retirees, bring an array of experience. They include homemakers, businesswomen and a former teacher. Yet all share a passion to help turn our country back to Biblical values and practices.

Let me introduce them to you.

Alabama State Director—*Valerie Askew-Williams of Birmingham*: The death of Valerie's father caused her to return to God in 1980. She says: "I believe that through Concerned Women for America, I can fulfill a large part of my purpose in life." Valerie and her husband own a pharmaceutical and medical supply sales business.

Arizona State Director—*Tammy Bellinger of Phoenix*: Tammy's parents were missionaries to the Navajos. "Seeing my parents trust the Lord for basic needs had a big impact on my faith in God," she says. Tammy and her husband, James, are parents to Joshua, 4, and Abigail, 2. She has led a CWA prayer/action chapter since 2002.

California Bay Area Director—*Leerma Patterson-Lemons of San Pablo*: Leerma first learned about CWA through KDIA radio. "The more I listened, the more I became intrigued with the topics and daily life issues," she says. "Then CWA challenged me to get involved." Leerma was approved as a prayer/action leader in 2004.

Florida State Director—*Jane Seale Carron of Destin*: Jane has long been active in social and women's issues, and prayer is an important part of her life. Now retired, she and her husband are serving God in new ways. "God is asking me to speak for those who cannot speak for themselves. He is calling me to save the babies," she says.

Kansas Northeast Area Director—*Linda Holloway of Prairie Village*: Linda, a former teacher, became interested in public policy through the pro-life issue and eventually served on the Kansas State Board of Education during the evolution debate. She wants to help Christians, including young people, "to engage in politics and to follow Jesus' command to be salt and light."

Maryland State Director—*Evalena Gray of Charlotte Hall*: Evalena credits the example of her mother, who died of cancer at age 39, as a strong influence in her life. She and her husband of more than 50 years, Jim, are semi-retired from owning and operating three optical stores, which their children are now running. Evalena lobbies on Capitol Hill with CWA's volunteer Project 535.

Massachusetts State Director—*Tammy Mosher of Greenfield*: As a military wife, Tammy was an active leader in

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Prayer

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• CWA has filed an *amicus* (friend of the court) brief in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, written by Chief Counsel Jan LaRue, in *U.S. v. Extreme Associates, Inc.* The brief supports reinstating the indictment of this hard-core pornographic Web site. Pray that the Lord uses the brief's information and arguments, along with evidence presented by prosecutors, to help bring one of the worst of the worst purveyors of porn to justice.

Praise

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• Offer praise that the Child Interstate Abortion Notification Act (H.R. 748) passed the U.S. House. This important bill will protect minor girls from adults who take them across state lines for an abortion in order to circumvent a state's parental notification law. Its passage means that the Senate companion bill, the Child Custody Protection Act (S. 8), is more likely to pass than ever before. CWA members, including Project 535, lobbied for the bill.

Action

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• Filibusters over judicial nominations were supposedly ended by the May "compromise," but CWA expects a showdown when President Bush nominates a justice for the U.S. Supreme Court. Continue to tell your U.S. senators to give *all* judicial nominees a fair up or down vote. **Capitol switchboard: 202-224-3121.**

Chairman's Desk

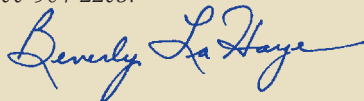
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Army Community Services, Army Family Groups and Enlisted Wives Club and is currently a Bible teacher. The mother of two adult children, she has led a growing prayer/action chapter since last year.

Mississippi State Director—*Gladys Gill of Jackson*: "I try to reassure everyone that God is more sensitive to our needs than any government," says Gladys—and she backs this up with personal experience. Her husband abandoned her with six children. Yet, four graduated from college and all have good jobs. Gladys previously served CWA of Mississippi as legislative liaison.

Montana State Director—*Patti Kanduch of Philipsburg*: Patti found CWA through the Internet as she searched for topics such as "United Nations," "family" and "gay agenda." The information she found encouraged her to become a prayer/action leader, and she is excited about growing CWA in her state. "Lots of ladies in Montana feel the way we do," she says. "We just have to let them know CWA is here."

God is going to do great things through these ladies! For more information on how you can become involved, visit www.cwfa.org/states, or call 1-800-964-2203.



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