



## Twenty Years of Ministry *Leading with Purpose*

By Al Riskowski - Executive Director

In 2008 Nebraska Family Council will complete twenty years of ministry. Since 1988 we have been standing for scriptural morals and traditional family values. **It has been an honor to serve the citizens of Nebraska.**

Thanks to the support of friends like you, we have won many battles for the family. To mention just two, NFC initiated the successful state-wide petition drive to place a definition of marriage into the Nebraska State Constitution. Then we presented a 'brief' to the 8th Circuit Court to help the state win its fight against a federal lawsuit, filed by ACLU, calling the marriage definition unconstitutional. This was the first federal ruling in the U.S. upholding the traditional definition of marriage.

The family is ordained and defined by God. It is the very foundation for all of society. The traditional family must be protected. We are committed to being a voice in support of the definition of marriage, defending the sanctity of human life and traditional family values for years to come.

Despite the victories, the battle for the culture has intensified. We face powerful groups pushing for entirely new concepts of family, lowering the value of human life and blurring the long standing morals of our nation. We realize that the problems we face are not just political in nature but spiritual. This is the reason we have established the "Nebraska House of Prayer" and an "Adopt a Leader in Prayer" program.

**The 2008 Nebraska Legislature could be one of the most intense assaults on the family that we have ever seen.** This will be the last year in office for a number of State Senators because of term limits. Therefore, we anticipate numerous efforts to pass legislation that undermines traditional family values, marriage and the sanctity of human life. With your help we can see these attempts defeated. **We are pro-actively working with State Senators on legislation to help curb the statewide prostitution rings, encourage pre-marriage education, require abortion clinics to have health standards and support a ban on all human cloning.**

Standing together, Nebraska can remain 'The Good Life'. [Join us in the battle for the heart and spirit of our state and nation.](#)



### *Day of the Family* *Celebrating Two Decades of Ministry*

March 28 & 29 - 2008 Lincoln, Nebraska

*We are very excited about hosting a two day event weaving issues related to traditional family values with prayer emphasis and dynamic speakers.*

*Please mark your calendar for the 2008 Day of the Family.*

Some of the confirmed keynote speakers for the day are:

Janet Folger, who hosts a daily radio program heard across America. She is a strong voice for faith and family values. Janet has appeared on NBC's *Today Show*, *Nightline*, *CNN* and many others.

Star Parker, she is president of the Coalition on Urban Renewal & Education. Star has been featured in Focus on the Family broadcasts. She writes a column in more than 400 newspapers and is a strong voice for Christian values.

William Federer, is a best-selling author and his AMERICAN MINUTE radio program is featured across the United States which recalls events about America's Christian heritage.

### JOIN OUR MINISTRY SUPPORT TEAM

How grateful I am for everyone who supports Nebraska Family Council. We feel privileged to labor with you in the Lord's work. It is your **Prayers and Financial Support** that enables us to continue. As a totally donor dependent ministry, we exist because of your faithful support.

**Remember every dollar you contribute is tax deductible.**  
**Thank You** for your continued financial and prayer support.

A co-laborer with you, Al Riskowski



# IGNITING INTERCESSION

by Karen Bowling



God is calling the Church back to a desperate dependency upon Himself. Far from being merely a fad or an emotional response, we recognize prayer as our greatest weapon. God's word is full of commands and examples concerning a time to watch and pray.

On August 15th, Nebraska Family Council purchased an older home six blocks south of the State Capitol. The first floor will serve as the **Nebraska House of Prayer** and the second floor provides Nebraska Family Council office space. Visit [www.NebFC.org](http://www.NebFC.org) to view NHOP highlights and learn about scheduled prayer events.

Even though this home was built over 100 years ago by James Heaton in the historic Everett neighborhood, it seems God built it for **such a time as this**. The artistry on the fireplace has spiritual significance. Engraved on the tile are cherubs holding bowls of fire. Symbolic of the fire on the altar, the prayers of God's people, as spoken about in Leviticus 6:13 and Revelation 5:8.



**Inaugural 24/7 Worship Watch:** We believe it is the heart of God to respond to the cry of His people. Day and night prayer...continual prayer...24 hours, 7 days a week prayer. The Inaugural 24/7 Prayer Watch was September 14th and 15th.

**Neighborhood Outreach:** NFC joined Christ's Place Church in their "Day to Serve" and hosted a free neighborhood BBQ on September 30th. We served 400 hot dogs, listened to live music by *Consuming Fire* and provided face painting for the children. A couple who moved to America three months ago committed their lives to Christ. It was a day full of ministry to the neighborhood!

## ADOPT A LEADER IN PRAYER

Last year the "Adopt a Leader in Prayer" program was a great success. All 49 State Senators were adopted by individuals from their districts to keep them in regular prayer throughout the 2007 legislative session.

We must never forget that these influential people are also parents, spouses, friends and neighbors. They face the same pressures we do in trying to balance their lives.

**"Eph. 6:12 states, 'For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, principalities, powers, the rulers of the darkness of this world, spiritual wickedness in high places.' Were our battles merely against men of flesh and blood we would have a difficult enough task, but Paul instructs otherwise. This is more than a weak man and his family can withstand, therefore your prayers are not only a comfort for me, they are a necessity."** Senator Tony Fulton, District 29, Lincoln

**"Without the prayers and support of Christians, it is difficult to stand effectively for Godly principles and not stumble."** Senator Mark Christensen, District 44, Imperial

The 2008 legislative session will convene the 9th of January and conclude on May 17th.

### HEAR US ON THESE RADIO STATIONS:

Burwell	.....KGRD	.....88.9 FM	.....12:14 pm
Columbus	.....KJSK	.....900 AM	.....2:10 pm
Columbus	.....KTLX	.....91.9 FM	.....5:43 am & 1:30 pm
Columbus	.....KTLX	.....	.....& 5:04 pm
Cozad	.....KAMI	.....15.80 AM	.....5:20 pm & 10:53 pm
Doniphan	.....KMMJ	.....750 AM	.....1:40 pm
Fremont	.....KLCV	.....102.9 FM	.....5:20 pm & 10:53 pm
LaVista	.....KLCV	.....92.7 FM	.....5:20 pm & 10:53 pm
Lexington	.....KCVN	.....104.5 FM	.....5:20 pm & 10:53 pm
Lincoln	.....KLCV	.....88.5 FM	.....5:20 pm & 10:53 pm
McCook	.....KNGN	.....1360 AM	.....7:50 am
Norfolk	.....KPNO	.....90.9 FM	.....7:46 am & 4:46 pm
North Platte	.....KJLT	.....94.9 FM	.....7:15 am &
North Platte	.....KJLT	.....970 AM	.....5:15 pm
Omaha	.....KCRO	.....660 AM	.....10:00 am
Omaha	.....KLCV	.....93.7 FM	.....5:20 pm & 10:53 pm
O'Neill	.....KGRD	.....105.3 FM	.....12:14 pm
Scottsbluff	.....KCMI	.....96.9 FM	.....5:10 pm
Sidney	.....KCMI	.....93.5 FM	.....5:10 pm

Will you commit to pray on a regular basis, for your State Senator? If you will commit to pray for your State Senator we will send you a resource packet at no cost. To "Adopt a Leader in Prayer" send us the enclosed return card and mark the "Adopt a Leader" box or click the sign-up drop down at [www.NebFC.org](http://www.NebFC.org).

## EVENTS

Wednesday January 9,  
**First Day of 2008 Legislature**

Friday & Saturday March 28th & 29th,  
**Day of The Family -  
'Celebrating Two Decades of Ministry'**  
Mark your calendars now, more details will follow

Thursday May 1, **National Day of Prayer**

Thursday April 17, **Last Day of 2008 Legislature**

Saturdays, **Capitol Prayer Walk**  
Meet on the West side of the Capitol by the Lincoln Statue.  
❖ Dec 8 ❖ Jan 12 ❖ Feb 9 ❖ March 8 ❖ April 12

Yes, I want to partner with NFC to preserve traditional family values! Wntr - 12/07

**FINANCIALLY** I want to join the NFC Ministry Support Team.

Monthly     Quarterly     Annually     One Time Gift

In the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Electronic Funds Transfer** - contact me about this simple way to contribute.

**PRAYER** Send information:

Adopt A Leader in Prayer     National Day of Prayer     Nebraska House of Prayer

Monthly Prayer Update: send it to me by     email (include address below)    or     standard mail

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NO. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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