

HOW TO START A BIBLICAL CITIZENSHIP GROUP AT YOUR CHURCH

Tired and disgusted of what you read in news about **YOUR** schools, local, state and national politics? Do you feel alone or not sure what one person can do? Take action and start a Biblical Citizenship Group in **YOUR** church.

WHY THIS GROUP IS IMPORTANT TO THE BODY OF CHRIST:

- "The price good men pay for indifference to public affairs is to be ruled by evil men." ~ Plato
- "Freedom is never more than ONE GENERATION away from extinction." ~ Ronald Reagan
- "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing" ~ Edmund Burke

Christians should care about politics because:

- God instituted government for the benefit of mankind. Government is His idea. "The authorities that exist have been established by God." (Romans 13:1) "Jesus said..."Give back to God what is God's." (Mark 12:17)
- Government is God's mechanism for providing a quiet and peaceful environment for His people, conducive to godliness and sharing the Gospel, (Romans 13:1-7), for, this "pleases God our Savior, who wants everyone to be saved." (1 Timothy 2:2)
- We should care for others. Government has a direct impact on type of lives people live. Help shape a country where "Religious Liberty flourishes, families prosper, and every human life is valued." "Love ...God...love your neighbor...There is no greater commandment." (Mark 12:30, 31).
- In giving us a republic form of government, God handed the DUTY of electing godly representatives to us. "To whom much is given, much is required." (Luke 12:48).
- Our faith, family, freedom, and finances are in the hands of our elected officials at all levels: school boards, local, state, and national. They must know our position, so they can represent it. To PRAY, LEARN, VOTE and GET INVOLVED, is part of our Christian stewardship of the blessings and resources God has given us to help us to live as His salt and light in our world. "(Do not remain silent), who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" Esther 4:14

TO START:

- Pray for wisdom.
- Get support from other church members and Pastor.
- Hold a meeting notifying all church members.
- Recruit help for meeting.
- Define group's mission, objectives, meeting agendas, and current goals, along with
 - voter registration,
 - voter education (how/where to get information), and
 - issue education (what Bible says)
- Invite monthly speakers to help educate and motivate.
- Partner with other churches. Contact [GraceCommunityChurch.com/Biblical Citizenship](http://GraceCommunityChurch.com/Biblical_Citizenship) for help.
- Allow Jesus to make a difference through YOU!