Dear Friend,

On the evening that Maine's House of Representatives sustained Gov. LePage's veto of **LD912**, the Conversion Therapy Ban, FRC's Tony Perkins asked me this question on his national radio broadcast, "How do you explain this victory in a liberal, northeast state like Maine?" I told Tony one has to go back to the fall of 2010 when Mainers followed up their historic repeal of gay marriage by electing Paul LePage and a core of solid, pro-life candidates to our legislature. For the last eight years, while we may not have accomplished all our goals, Gov. LePage and our allies have been able to stop terrible bills like the Conversion Therapy Ban and Physician Assisted Suicide becoming law in our state.

The fact is, and you may get tired of me saying this, but *elections have consequences!* Think of where we are now with the potential of another strict constitutionalist being added to the Supreme Court. The consequence of electing Donald Trump and a US Senate who will confirm good, non-activist judges could positively impact our country for decades regarding the protection of the unborn and our religious freedoms.

By the way, if President Trump does appoint judges who overturn Roe v. Wade, I believe the issue will then return to the state legislatures. This is why our *Pews to the Polls* campaign is so critical for the 2018 elections. The Lord has provided us with the resources in the past to be a positive force in our state and federal elections. I'm asking our supporters to invest \$100,000 to our *Pews to the Polls* campaigns to:

*provide informative, printed voter guides to be distributed throughout our entire state for our governor and federal races *create and promote online voter guides for all 186 House of Representatives and Senate races

*identify and inspire prolife voters to go to the polls

*promote pro-life, pro-religious freedom candidates like Bruce Poliquin and Mark Holbrook for Congress, Eric Brakey for Senate, and Shawn Moody for governor in addition to our state Senate and House of Representative candidates

In addition to finances, we <u>need volunteers</u> to prevail in November. If you can help, please go online to: http://bit.ly/2A58j8U and sign up to volunteer. Please check the days you are available and under tasks check the voter guide option. If you have any questions, email Terri Conley at cclmainedev@gmail.com.

Here are some things you can do to help:

* make phone calls *distribute voter guides *be a church distribution center

We need to continue the tremendous progress of the last eight years by electing state and federal candidates who will defend our values. If the Lord blesses us with the opportunity to overturn Roe v Wade, let's make sure we did our part to elect a governor and legislature who will follow suit and protect the unborn here in Maine. I am asking you to prayerfully consider designating a tax-deductible, special gift to *Pews to the Polls* this month.

All the money in the world and an army of volunteers will not accomplish anything of any eternal value unless we are on our knees begging God to heal our land. Please join me in praying for the following requests:

- financial support for our *Work2Win* program enabling churches to offer the dignity of work and mentorships to those struggling with employment due to substance abuse and criminal records
- our call to prayer for the persecuted church with Ruth Graham on September 8 at East Auburn Baptist Church; for information go to https://cclmaine.org/issues/2018/07/18/49689/
- the formation of a vibrant, effective pastors network focused on praying for and ministering to government leaders

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