

Christians Choose Prayer Over Candidates

Caught between the presidential candidacies of Republican Donald Trump and Democrat Hillary Clinton, a group of Christians is choosing a third way to react: prayer. Get Out the Prayer 2016 is mobilizing believers to influence the political process, not only with their votes, but through appeals to a higher authority.



Dave Kubal, president for Intercessors of America, which is spearheading the effort, says Christians are exasperated with the inability of the political process to halt America's moral decline. Intercessors for America is a nonprofit group founded after Roe v. Wade to turn around America's moral decline.

"We've taken over Congress from a Republican point of view, and not much has changed," he said. "The nation's morals continue to decline, we continue to spend more money than we take in, and it's just a nation in crisis." The spiritual campaign has facilitated the creation of prayer groups and "Prayer at the Poll" events around the nation, encouraging Christians to pray regularly for America's elected leaders and those running for office.

“When leaders understand that they answer to a higher power, they make different decisions, so it’s critical that we have leaders who have a fear and reverence toward God,” Kubal says. “A democracy can only be upheld by a virtuous populous, and we need virtuous, God-fearing leaders. We have seen a slow moral degradation over the last 40 years with an extreme acceleration in the past seven. This unrighteous acceleration will have devastating results for our nation and families and children for generations to come.”

Polls suggest Christian voters aren’t thrilled with either major political party’s candidate for president. An NBC News poll in June found that only 31 percent of evangelicals have a favorable opinion of Trump, compared to 19 percent who view Clinton favorably.

The campaign features resources such as a media kit, adopt a street in prayer, election tools, and prayer alerts (getoutthepayer.com).

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