



Daily Member Update

The Presidents Schedule 10.12.09

To be released soon.

"I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone- for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness." I Timothy 2:1-2

Today's Prayer Focus:

Pray for our soldiers in Afghanistan and our national leaders in managing the war for their protection and guidance. Pray for all of our armed forces, at home and overseas.

Pray for the the Christian community in America as the new generation of evangelicals grow into a more influential role for the church.

Pray for our educators to teach about our Christian heritage and those who risked their lives to create our nation.

Prayer Updates

Senator Feinstein Says War in Serious Jeopardy

The head of the Senate Intelligence Committee said the U.S. mission in Afghanistan is in "serious jeopardy" and more troops are needed to combat an increasingly potent Taliban. Senator Diane Feinstein, D-Calif., whose post gives her access to sensitive information about the war's progress, said Sunday that delaying the reinforcements also puts the forces already in Afghanistan at greater risk. She pointed to an Oct. 3 battle in northeastern Afghanistan in which eight U.S. soldiers were killed during an enemy attack on their remote outpost. "We didn't have the ability to defend them, and now the base is closing, and effectively we're retreating away from it," she said.

Young Evangelicals at Turning Point in America

According to a Christian scholar, young evangelicals in America are revolting against the tone of the Christian right. Across the nation, young evangelicals are naming [Rick Warren](#) or Bono as their role model for social engagement, rather than a Christian Right leader, says Michael Gerson, senior research fellow in the Center on Faith & International Affairs at the Institute for Global Engagement. "We are seeing a head-snapping generational change," contends Gerson, who was a top aide and former speech writer to President George W. Bush. "The model of social engagement of the religious right is increasingly exhausted." At the recent biennial Evangelical Leaders Forum, Gerson offered three reasons for the change: 1) a recovery of scriptural emphasis, 2) a revolt against the tone and style of the Religious Right, and 3) the effects of short-term mission trips on young Christians. "This combination of moral conservatism with social activism is the evangelical tradition," asserted Gerson, who was a biblical studies and [theology](#) major at Wheaton College.

Honoring Courage on Columbus Day

Today is the anniversary of Christopher Columbus' arrival in the new world. While there are many opinions of Columbus in history today, his legacy as an explorer remains. As today is Columbus Day in America, we honor how impossibly brave it was to climb aboard a very small caravel and sail into the great unknown.