

From: feedback@bill10courtchallenge.org
Sent: Wednesday, February 01, 2017 11:21 PM
To: 800 Clergy
Subject: Bill10CourtChallenge.Org – Follow-up Report #1

Ref: My email sent 01/01/2017 - *Alberta's Bill 10 Law and Related Guidance to All Schools are Profoundly Anti-Christian*

1 - Background

Over 800 pastors and priests in Alberta were advised, in the above referenced email, of the adverse implications of Bill 10 to their congregation or parish, particularly to Christian parents and their children. The impact analysis is posted at www.bill10courtchallenge.org and the site includes: an **Abstract and Summary** (3 minute read); a **Synopsis** (60 minute read); a **Full Version PDF** (lengthy read); and six supporting appendices. The goal is to raise awareness within the Body of Believers in Alberta and encourage pastors, priests and their church members to take a stand. Pastors and priests are requested to review the website and comment on how willing their congregation is to take a public stand against Bill 10 in ways such as intercessory prayer, participation in local and/or province-wide rallies, informing friends and associates, and/or writing letters to school trustees/boards and to politicians. **See Section 4 below for a synopsis of parent/pastor/priest feedback and commentary for the month of January.**

2 - Upcoming Activities by Bill10CourtChallenge.Org

- Starting in 3rd week of February, I will offer a 45 minute presentation followed by Q&A session for interested pastors/priests, councils and elders at your church. Request through feedback@bill10courtchallenge.org. The talk will introduce and/or cover:
 - the collision of human rights, parental rights, and charter freedoms;
 - the boundary markers defining agreeable, tolerable and intolerable legislation and guidance;
 - the credibility of so-called “evidence-based best practices” and of the justifications for the Bill; and
 - the remedies needed to address injustices and improve Education Ministry guidelines.
- Will soon send an email to all Alberta School Trustees requesting their review of 17 recommended remedies to alleviate grievances with Bill 10 and related policies and guidance.
- Will forward in February an example letter for sending to school trustees and politicians.

Prayer is requested to bring together constitutional lawyers with the optimal strategy to take up the length and breadth of the Bill 10 injustice.

3 - Additional Organizations, Events, and Information Regarding Bill 10

- **[Parents for Choice in Education](#)**

PCE is looking to assist local parent and citizen groups in offering Public Information Sessions in towns and cities across Alberta this spring, and will be providing a thorough information package to use at these events. [I will keep you advised as these events arise.] If you are interested in offering an information session in your area, contact Donna Trimble at dtrimble@parentchoice.ca. In the meantime, you can ‘like’ PCE on Facebook at [parents4choice](#) or sign up for their newsletter and real-time blog at www.parentchoice.ca.

- [Informed Albertans](#)

IA is an excellent site for information – articles, media reports, and blog commentary, on curriculum changes in Alberta schools K-12. You can sign up for the IA blog at <https://informedalbertans.wordpress.com/>.

- [Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms](#)

See article by John Carpay: [Mandatory Gay-Straight Alliances versus Charter Freedoms](#)

- [Association for Reformed Political Action](#)

ARPA has many [articles dealing with education issues](#) both in Alberta and Ontario.

4 - Synopsis - Feedback for January

Praise God, to date some 1,600 unique visitors have accessed the *Bill10CourtChallenge* website. Moreover, 95 percent of responses from pastors/priests have been positive - recognizing the threat from the legislation and declaring an initial commitment to engage the issue. The following are representative of the comments received:

- This bill violates my rights to bring up my children and grandchildren in the way they should go. I believe, if you don't plant good and healthy seeds in the garden of your children's heart and minds then others will plant things in there for you. My family is very important to me...*The Government has no business sticking their noses into everyone's families lives and messing them like this it is wrong on so many levels. Carman, I have read your 60 minute read and I appreciate all your research and arguments. I am a Christian and a grandmother and very concerned about legislation that indoctrinates our children.*
- *I was very impressed with the work that you put into the outline of Bill 10 in your previous email. I sent a copy of it to our Doctrine and Credentials team in Ontario for them to forward to the other churches in the Associated Gospel Churches that would like such a great argument of defense. Good job!*
- *I have already made known the issues of Bill 10 to our Board and reprinted what you had previously emailed. I know they would be willing to support this in prayer and in other ways as required or necessary. Keep up the great work!*
- *Thanks so much. Will put on my agenda. God is powerful. We can rely on Him as we intercede for His intervention.*
- *Thanks for taking some initiative on this. I was at the heart of fighting this bill and the CBE policies. Don't know if you knew all that happened with that last year. Big thing is not just challenging governing policies but electing new governance. As long as we have a government strongly supporting the GSA, it will be hard as the voting on these issues is not democratic but based on elected reps. As of now, human rights laws in Canada for GSA and transgenders trumps religious freedom in our constitution as the right to equality is held superior. Hope this helps.*
- *Was pleased to receive your email. Our congregation has been active in making our voice heard with regard to Bill 10 and other bills/principles that endanger our children and religious liberties. I've done seminars to instruct the congregation and have written letters to politicians and encouraged others to do the same. As a father of 5 (soon to be 6), this is an especially relevant issue. We've decided to homeschool, but realize that this is not an option for everyone, nor is homeschooling guaranteed to be available in the future.*
- *We've been receiving updates and have attended events/rallies put on by [Parents for Choice in Education](#) and the [Justice Center for Constitutional Freedoms](#) with John Carpay. You're welcome*

to go ahead and add my email to your list as this is an issue that is very serious and certainly isn't going away any time soon. Thank you for taking up this fight, may God bless.

- *I am concerned about Bill 10 and have provided information about education in Alberta to members of our congregation. I have also been in contact with relevant politicians. Thank you for making me aware of your efforts.*
- *In regards to Bill 10, our church is willing to be involved in intercessory prayer, telling friends and associates and writing letters. If you have addresses and a letter format our people could use as a template, that would help.*
- *We are also interested in protecting our young people from this anti Christian legislation. There is a group with whom we are familiar and support individually and as a church: ARPA. The Association for Reformed Political Action. Please access their web site at: www.arpacanada.ca. You will find many articles dealing with these issues both in Alberta and Ontario. They have an office and staff funded completely by concerned Christians, you would do well to contact them for support and information on dealing with government and activating churches.*
- *Sorry to be so slow in responding. It's been a busy beginning to the year. I'm bringing your email and the Bill 10 challenge to the Elders Board for discussion regarding our degree of participation in the challenge to Bill 10. Thanks for your work on this.*

Peace and Grace in Christ.

Carman Bradley