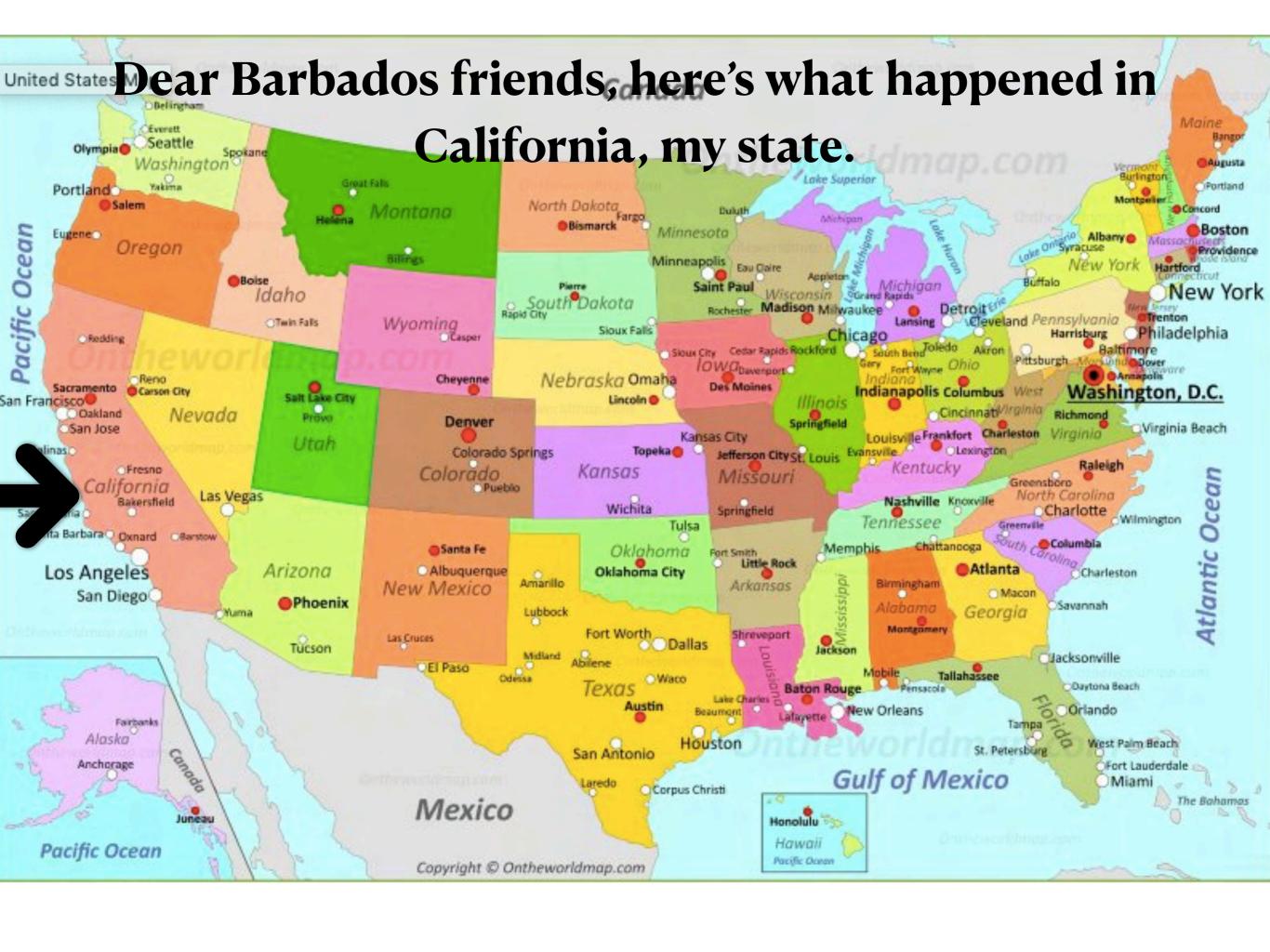
## Protecting the Right of Children in Barbados to Sing That Jesus Changes Lives: The Children Have Led Us to Action

with added information

Family-Faith-Freedom, Barbados November 4, 2023

Laura Haynes, Ph.D., Retired Psychologist, California, USA
International Foundation for Therapy and Counselling Choice (

Executive Board, USA Country Representative





## WE WERE NOT PREPARED TO ACT

We could not get people informed and active in time.

After that, we still did not get organized and activated.

## THE BEGINNING OF CHRISTIAN PROFESSIONAL LOBBYISTS

However, a Christian organization, Focus on the Family, and others initiated having 1 or 2 full time activists, or lobbyists, at 40 of our 50 state capitols to oppose laws like therapy bans and other attacks on our values and freedoms.

Religious organizations and donors started supporting them financially as they would support missionaries or charities.

But lobbyists needed ORGANIZED ways to tell the people.

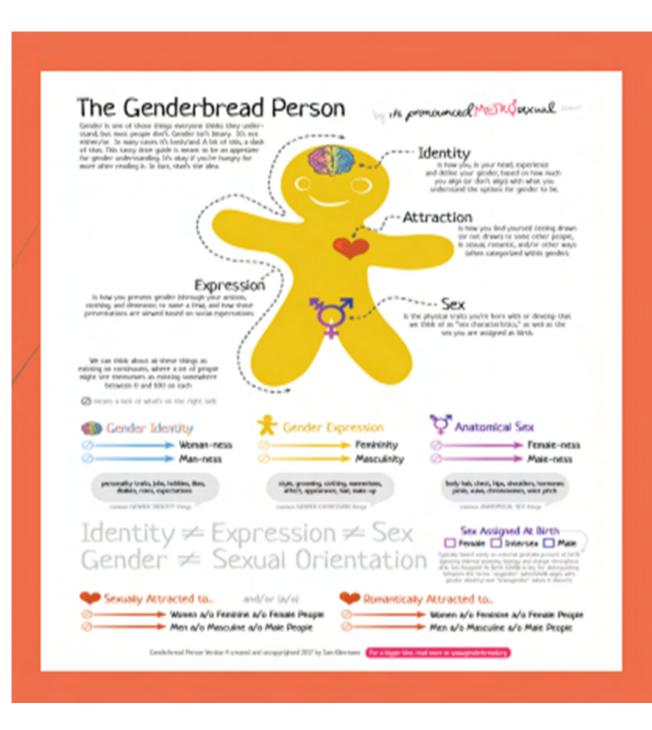
**Examples of Christian lobbyists at state capitols:** 

https://www.californiafamily.org/; https://familypolicyalliance.com/allies/

## WHILE WE DID NOT ORGANIZE

WHAT HAPPENED WHILE WE DID NOT ORGANIZE AND ACT:

## LGBT IDEOLOGY



## MANY CALIFORNIA SCHOOLS NOW PROMOTE:

- LGBT behaviors are normal.
- Many gender identities that do not match ones body sex
- Sexual experimentation with the opposite or same sex.
- Masturbation
- Contraception for children
- Abortion
- Disrespect for parental guidance or authority
- Disrespect for religious beliefs

#### Now, California still pushes transgender harm, but we are stopping it in some states.





Hospitals that offer medical gender change and Planned Parenthood are offering counseling ON SOME HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUSES

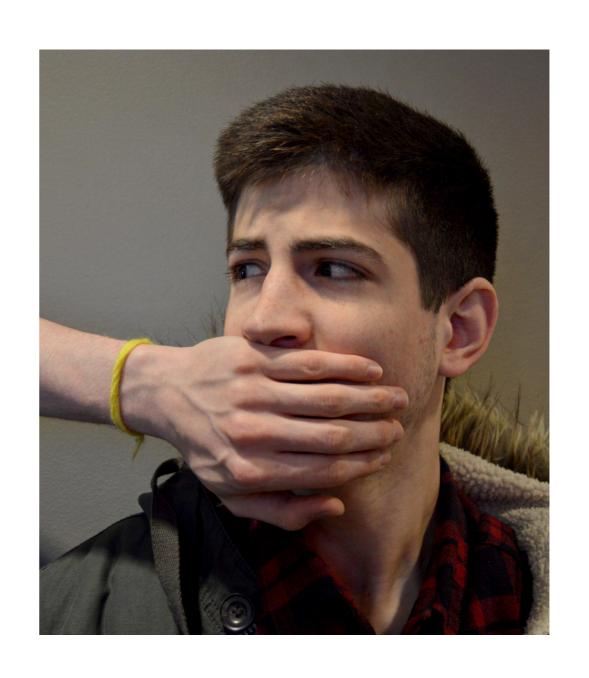
- Orange County: Childrens' Hospital gender services; free counseling on high school campuses. https://www.choc.org/programs-services/endocrinology-diabetes/gender-puberty-sexual-development-program/
- Los Angeles: Planned Parenthood on 50 high school campuses
- With state funds (no abortions on campus). Going into the hormone business. https://www.washingtonpost.com/health/2019/12/11/planned-parenthood-open-reproductive-health-centers-los-angeles-high-schools/

#### California:

A child may ask to become a ward of the court, live in government care, be gender transitioned.

In divorce cases, judges take children from the non-affirming parent.

A non-custodial parent may bring a child from another state to California for "gender care."



Abbigail Martinez about her daughter Jaeli: "Los Angeles County Killed My Daughter"

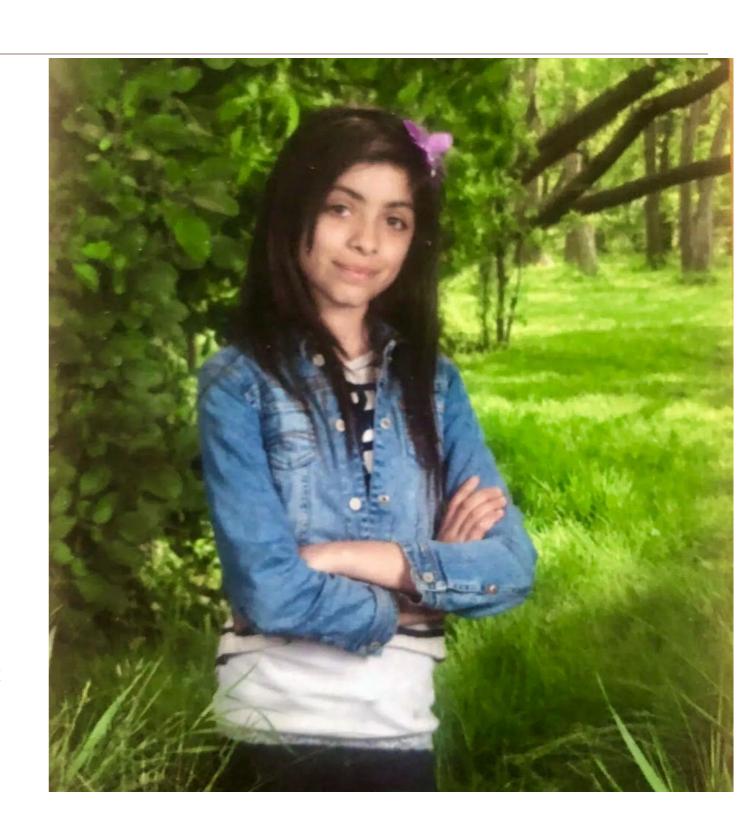
Jaeli age 12-13 depression, bullied. Abby tried to get help for her.

Became friends with trans identified girl and her mother who convinced Jaeli she was trans too. Abby listened, cared, but did not affirm.

School psychologist, principal, teachers socially transitioned Jaeli at school without Abby's permission—male name, pronouns.

Teachers must hide it. Parents have no say.

Trans friend and LGBT club told Jaeli she could get herself taken from the home and the state would pay for her medical transition. She did it.



"Los Angeles County Killed My Daughter" Abbigail Martinez about her daughter Jaeli.

Jaeli attempted suicide. Abby took her to hospital. The hospital called social services who removed Jaeli from her home, because Abby did not affirm trans identity. Considered child abuse.

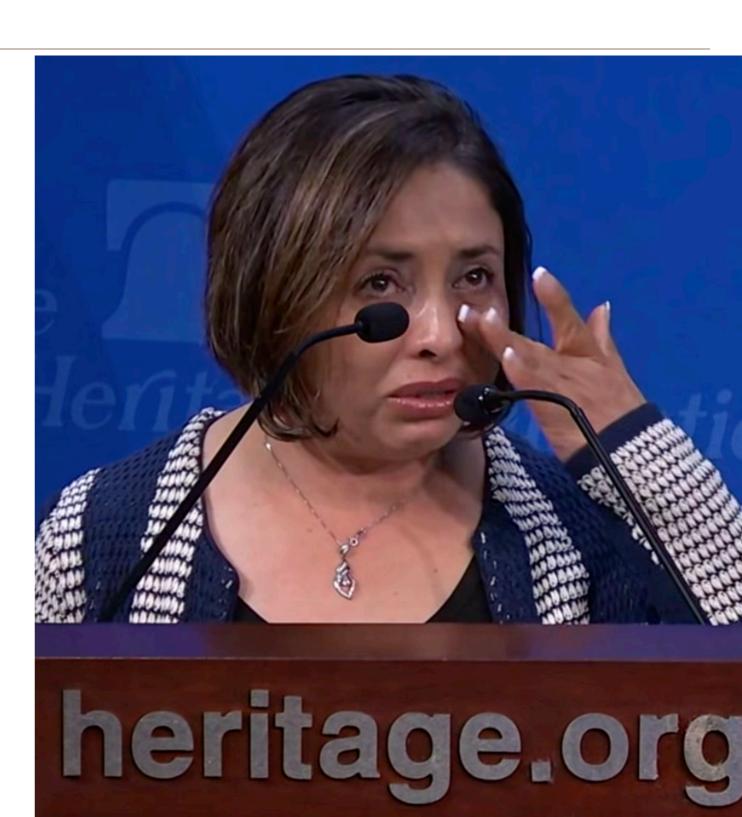
Jaeli only saw her daughter during court permitted visits. Forbidden to talk about God or gender.

They medically transitioned Jaeli.

Jaeli's depression and suicidality got worse.

The best research shows this is what happens.

Jaeli knelt in front of a train and ended her life. Cross sex hormones did not cure Jaili's depression. Abby is warning parents.



"Los Angeles County Killed My Daughter"

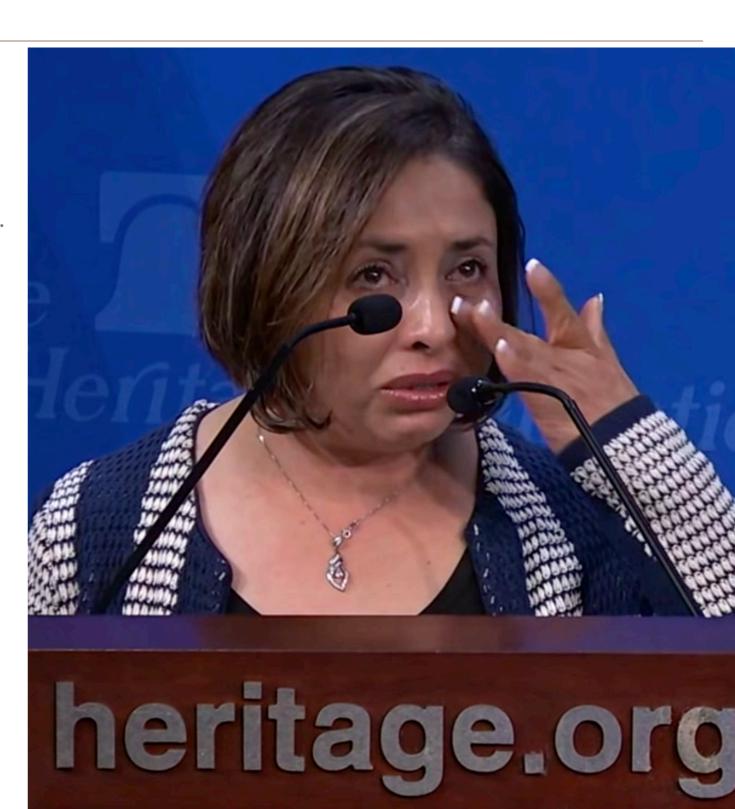
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Richards, T. (22 March 2022). Mother of trans teenager: Los Angeles County killed my daughter. Washington Examiner. <a href="https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/news/mother-of-transgender-teenager-los-angeles-county-killed-my-daughter">https://www.washingtonexaminer.com/news/mother-of-transgender-teenager-los-angeles-county-killed-my-daughter</a>

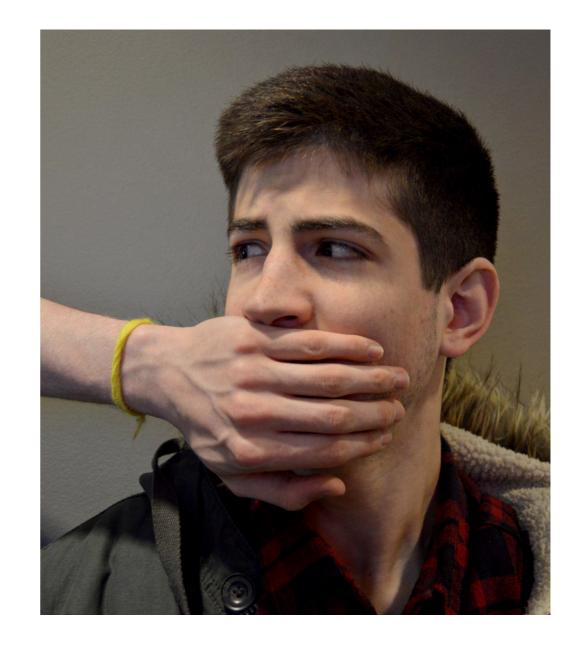
The best quality research shows medical gender interventions worsen mental health problems and sociality. TherapyEquality.org/HarmsOfTherapyBans Research on sexuality and gender periodically updated.



## LGBT IDEOLOGY CENSORS

#### **LGBT Ideology in Law and Policy Attacks:**

- Rights to freedom of religion, speech, expression.
- Right to professional or pastoral counseling to heal same sex or discordant gender feelings.
- Women's and girls' rights in private spaces (bathrooms).
- Girls' and women's sports. (Boys identifying as girls are stronger, dangerous competing with girls, win the prizes).
- Students preschool through college are groomed toward gender incongruence, even without their parents knowledge or consent, and sterilized for life (age 8+) and breasts removed (age 13+).
- Parents' rights: Some non affirming parents have had their children taken away.
- The GOSPEL that God changes lives is censored.



JUSTICE CALLS FOR ACTION TO CHANGE THIS.



#### 2018—OUR WORST LEGISLATIVE BATTLE

California Assembly Bill 2943, or "AB 2943".

Consumer fraud for anyone to help anyone—minors and adults—change same sex attraction or discordant gender identity.

Would take pastors and churches, not only therapists, before judges and juries to be sued and bankrupted.

## **Pastors**

Pastors understood the danger and feared that in time, the bill could be used to ban the Bible. They were also afraid to speak out.

## Pastors—continued

# One brave pastor wrote a letter to Christian leaders, asking pastors to speak out. This was a turning point.



To California Christian Leaders,

My name is Dan Carroll and I am the Senior Pastor of Water of Life Community Church in Fontana, California. Water of Life is an outreach-oriented church with a focus on overseas and urban ministries. My wife Gale and I planted Water of Life 28 years ago with 27 people. Today we have a weekly attendance of 7,000 to 8,000.

Like many of you, I do not have a history of political involvement. My passion is ministry, not politics. But year after year, I have watched the state legislature pass bill after bill that negatively impacted our community and our youth. When AB 2943 was introduced, I knew I could no longer passively remain on the sidelines.

Water of Life seeks to bring hope, healing and transformation to individuals through the power of the Gospel, including those who struggle with same sex attraction and gender confusion. Through AB 2943, Legislators are seeking to declare all fee-based resources offered to these individuals as consumer fraud. This means our counseling centers can no longer minister to these individuals and employees in our bookstores could face liability for guiding a person to books or other resources that address same sex attraction from a Biblical perspective. This is a direct threat to the religious freedom of Christian counselors, ministries, and churches. And it is also a direct threat to the freedom of individuals facing unwanted attractions or identity confusion to find help from a licensed counselor or support group. I could not sit silently by and watch this bill pass.

So when AB 2943 began to move through our legislature, I asked our church to contact their state legislators to ask them to oppose this bill. This was the first time in 28 years I had ever spoken publicly about politics. Surprisingly, soon after making my appeal, I received a call from our local Assemblywoman Eloise Reyes asking me to meet with her to discuss AB 2943. I later found out she called because she received 3,000 phone calls and emails from Water of Life people opposing this bill.

After an hour plus conversation in Assemblywoman Reyes' office, I was invited by her to go to Sacramento to meet with Assemblyman Evan Low, the author of AB 2943, to discuss our strong concerns with the bill.

Frankly, I was shocked at both Assembly members' willingness to thoughtfully sit and discuss this bill. Low even agreed to delay the bill, until there were further discussions with the opposition. The whole experience has been way out of my comfort zone, but it has shown me that if we get involved, and walk this out thoughtfully and kindly, we can make a huge difference in our state and help stop legislation that undermines our ability to share the Gospel.

Why am I writing you this letter? Legislators are returning to the Capitol from summer recess on August 6 to vote on this bill. Obviously, I believe I have made a mistake by not speaking up sooner. My church, like yours, has a voice in our community and your state representatives need to hear from you and your congregation. The time to sit by and hope someone else is going to speak up is over. I am writing this letter to encourage you to get involved, while we still have a voice in the State of California.

Sincerely,

Senior Pastor Dan Carroll

#### From Pastor Carroll's letter:

"Water of Life seeks to bring hope, healing, and transformation to individuals through the power of the Gospel, including those who struggle with same sex attraction and gender confusion," wrote Pastor Carroll. "This [bill] is a direct threat to the religious freedom of Christian counselors, ministries, and churches. And it is also a direct threat to the freedom of individuals facing unwanted attractions or identity confusion to find help from a licensed counselor or support group. I could not sit silently by and watch this bill pass."

#### More From Pastor Carroll's letter:

"I am writing this letter to encourage you to get involved, while we still have a voice in the State of California," Carroll pleads. "Obviously, I believe I have made a mistake by not speaking up sooner. My church, like yours, has a voice in our community and your state representatives need to hear from you and your congregation. The time to sit by and hope someone else is going to speak up is over."

## PASTORS—continued

Pastor Carroll also met with the legislator who was the sponsor of AB2943.

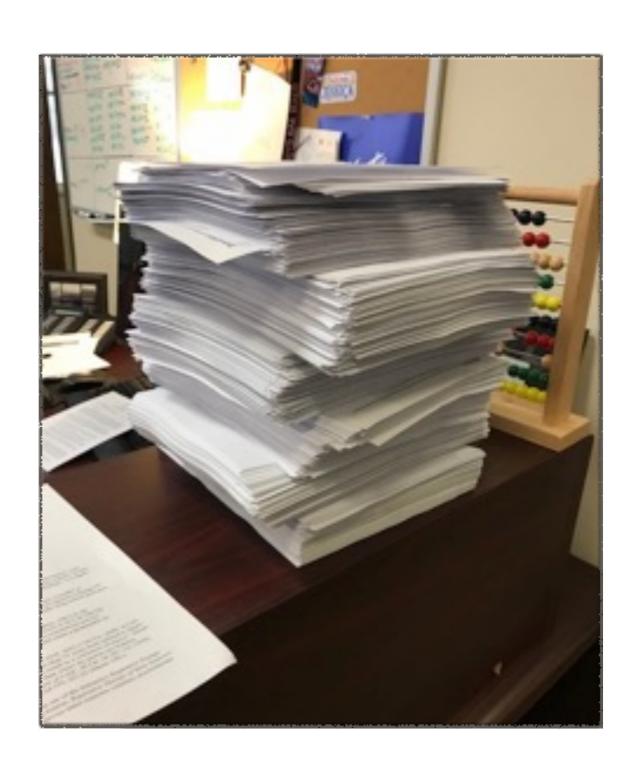
They seemed to develop a relationship and talked a number of times.

Other pastors also met with the legislator and they all loved on him.





Church
members
started sending
100's and then
1000's of emails
and phone calls
to lawmakers.









At the last hearing for AB-2943, people from all over California came to sit in the courtroom during the hearing and, at the end get up to give their oneminute "me too" testimonies.

They gave their name, named an organization or church they represented if they had one, and said they opposed AB2943.

When they finished, they exited the side door. Finally, the back doors to the hall were opened, and more people poured in to give their "me too" testimonies.

There could have been as many as 350 of these in total.

A hearing like this usually takes about 30 minutes at most.

This one took 2 1/2 hours!

ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO GO TO HEARINGS AT THE CAPITOL AND GIVE 'ME TOO" TESTIMONIES AND NAME AN ORGANIZATION THEY REPRESENT.

# We knew the progressives had the votes to pass AB2943.

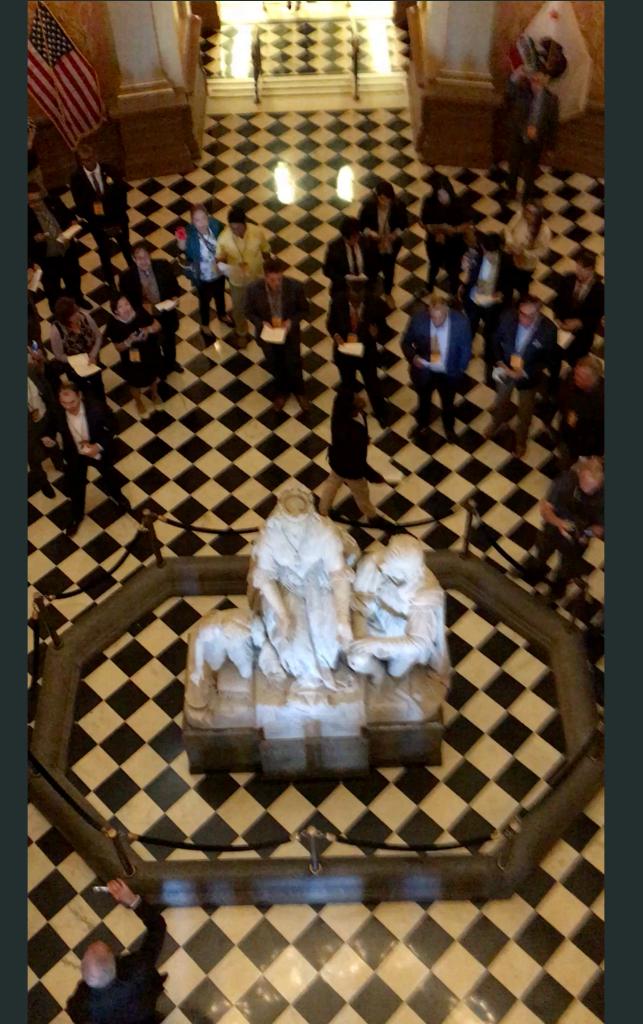
Yet, on the very last day of the 2018 legislative year, the sponsor of AB2943 stopped the bill! WE WON!

THESE

PRAYERS

WERE

ANSWERED!



## PUSHING BACK LGBT IDEOLOGY

#### **PUSHBACK: Courts**

#### Parents' rights to protect kids.

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Mirabelli and West v. Escondito Unified School District (Sept. 14, 2023). Case 3:23-cv-00768-BEN-WVG. https://uploads-ssl.webflow.com/63d954d4e4ad424df7819d46/65034f906c8a3969f9bd31d1\_Dkt. %2042\_Order%20on%20Cross%20Motions.pdf

#### **Detransitioners suing doctors**

Chole Cole vs. Kaiser Permanente. (Nov. 9, 2022). <a href="https://www.dhillonlaw.com/lawsuits/chloe-cole-v-kaiser-permanente/">https://www.dhillonlaw.com/lawsuits/chloe-cole-v-kaiser-permanente/</a>

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#### Bringing down therapy bans

Otto, et al v. City of Boca Raton, FL et al:

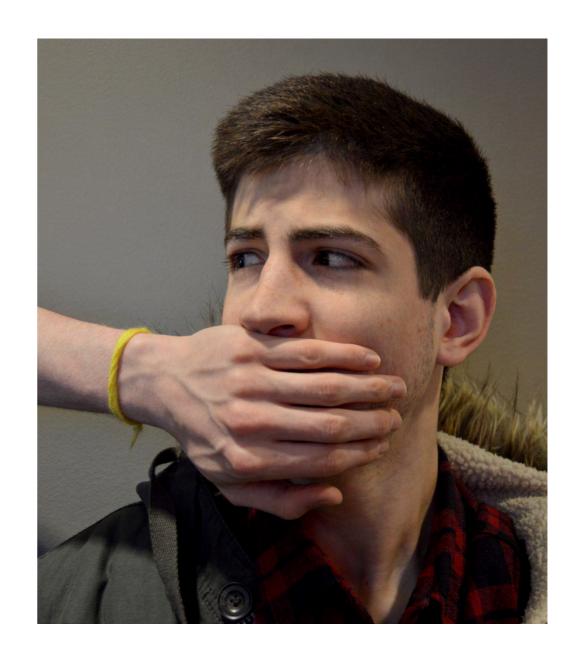
Press release: https://lc.org/newsroom/details/112020-court-of-appeals-strikes-down-fl-counseling-ban-1

The legal decision: <a href="https://lc.org/PDFs/Attachments2PRsLAs/112020Otto.pdf">https://lc.org/PDFs/Attachments2PRsLAs/112020Otto.pdf</a> Vazzo V. Tampa, Fl

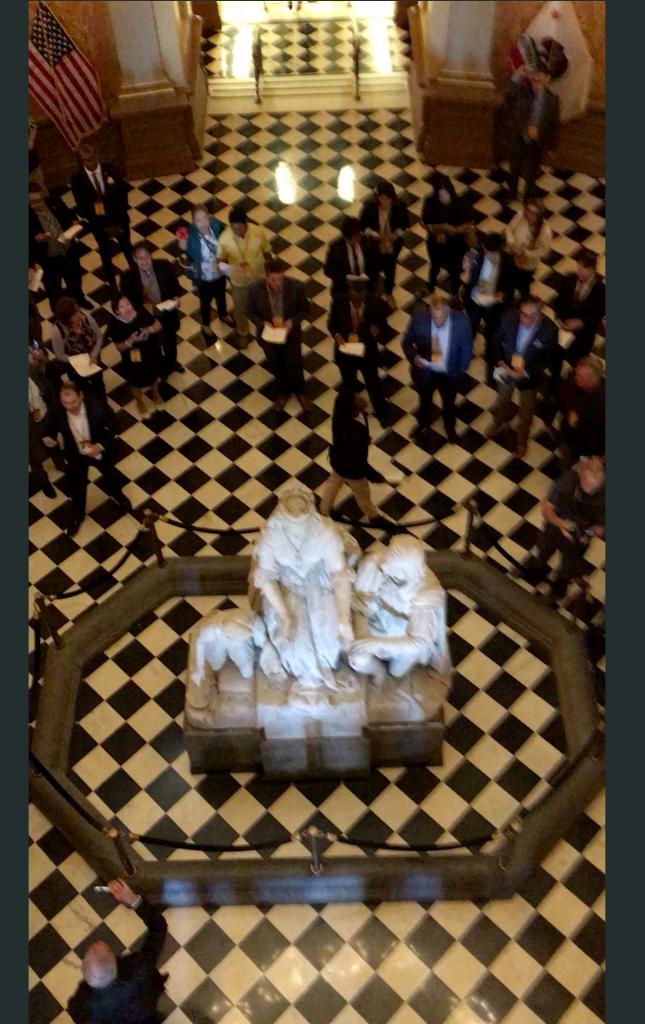
Decision: https://casetext.com/case/vazzo-v-city-of-tampa-

## PROACTIVE: bills to SAVE children's bodies, Notify parents, Girls' sports

https://protectkidsca.com/?mc\_cid=d74d4b1984&mc\_eid=093030f877



WITH
GOD'S HELP,
LET'S
PUSH
BACK
TO
VICTORY!



## SUPER RESOURCES:

Pastors can appoint someone in the church to keep track of bad bills introduced to the legislature/parliament and notify the pastor and church members of the bill and names and contact information for the appropriate lawmakers.

Someone can keep track of the bills and notify these people appointed in the congregations.

**Example:** <a href="https://www.saltandlightcouncil.org/home/">https://www.saltandlightcouncil.org/home/</a>

and provide a Biblical voter guide on issues and candidates:

https://www.saltandlightcouncil.org/

Examples: Online Town Halls and Pastor Training for Public Policy Action

https://www.pastortownhall.town/

https://realimpact.us/

# Parents fighting LGBT taught in schools are advised: Ask: Is your school or school district teaching LGBT ideology? What is the name of their curriculum? Look it up here:

https://www.comprehensivesexualityeducation.org/csematerials-index/

### If you don't like what they are teaching:

Take parents and grandparents to school or school board meetings. Get on the school board.

Join the city library committee to screen children's books, stop drag-queen story hours. Protest the sexualizing and transgendering of your children. Introduce policies you like. Inform and train, examples: meetings, Facebook page, Zoom meetings.

#### FIND OTHER ACTIVISTS IN YOUR STATE OR COUNTRY

https://www.comprehensivesexualityeducation.org/international-map/

TRAINING: https://www.comprehensivesexualityeducation.org

#### TRAIN YOUNG PEOPLE FOR ACTION

EmpoweredYouthCoalition.org (ages 16 to 35)

(affiliated with Family Watch International)

How to advocate with others at

school board, city council, legislature, United Nations meetings.

Model legislation for proactive laws.

Videos to teach youths. They are being deceived.

GLOBAL SUMMIT CONFERENCES.

#### **IMPRESSIVE HUB OF RESOURCES**

#### https://biologicalintegrity.org

American College of Psychiatrists on accurate medical science and pro-active legislation to protect gender confused kids

**PersonAndIdentity.org** 

How to Talk to Your Kids about Gender Took Kit for Educators Guidance for Health Practitioners and Front Line Workers Catholic Teaching, Church Documents, Diocesan Policies

#### ALSO:

www.advocatesprotectingchildren.org https://www.partnersforethicalcare.com

Child Ministry curriculum for K-5th grade (about ages 5-10)

https://www.advocatesprotectingchildren.org/product-page/god-created-them-male-female-k-5th-grade-children-s-ministry-curriculum

Teacher Talks: (video training series): <a href="https://www.advocatesprotectingchildren.org/teacher-talks">https://www.advocatesprotectingchildren.org/teacher-talks</a>

Parenting: <a href="https://www.partnersforethicalcare.com/commonsense-care">https://www.partnersforethicalcare.com/commonsense-care</a>

Clone this Facebook page for your group. This group will do that for you:

https://www.facebook.com/ArlingtonParentCoalition/

School administration resource: <a href="https://childparentrights.org/product/navigating-the-transgender-landscape-for-allies/">https://childparentrights.org/product/navigating-the-transgender-landscape-for-allies/</a>

#### **CONCISE RESEARCH SUMMARY**

"Dear Legislator" Letter/Fact Sheet (periodically updated)

TherapyEquality.org/HarmsOfTherapyBans

#### ALLIANCE FOR THERAPEUTIC CHOICE AND SCIENTIFIC INTEGRITY

**TherapyChoice.com** Professional therapist case consultation group

#### LARGE LIBRARY OF IN-DEPTH VIDEOS AND DOCUMENTS

on same sex attraction and gender identity—research and right to therapy.

International Foundation for Therapeutic and Counselling Choice <a href="IFTCC.org">IFTCC.org</a>

Over 100 videos on same sex attraction and incongruent gender identity—causes, change, professional therapy, pastoral counseling, legal challenges, ex-LGBT testimonies.

Letters and expert opinion submitted for parliamentarians, courts.

List of professional organizations opposing therapy bans.

15 Languages and growing.

Registered therapists or pastoral counselors sign up for Judeo-Christian based training .

#### SUPPORT TO LIVE CONSISTENTLY WITH CHRISTIAN FAITH

People who experience unwanted same sex attraction feelings or unwanted discordant gender identity feelings need to feel the church is a place where they can belong and grow. We must not abandon them to turn to LGBT groups.

**Examples of Support Ministries:** 

Changed (U.S.)

**ChangedMovement.com** 

**Restored Hope Network (U.S.)** 

RestoredHomeNetwork.com