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## FRIDAY CHURCH NEWS NOTES

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# BEWARE OF TURNING POINT'S RADICAL ECUMENISM

Turning Point USA is a powerful conservative political organization, but it is not merely a political organization, and Turning Point's radical ecumenism is potentially harmful for Bible-believing homes and churches. Turning Point USA is a bridge to every heresy in the "wider church" today, including papal supremacy, a sacramental gospel, Mariolatry, priestcraft, theistic evolution, process salvation, universalism, new Reformed Calvinism, cultural liberalism, and contemplative prayer. "Kirk's wife is Catholic and for the last few months of his life he had been attending Mass with her" (*The American Catholic*, Sept. 14,



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## AMERICA'S DEBT



The following is excerpted from "US Government Caught in Debt-Driven 'Doom Loop,'" Apr. 30, 2026, [www.us-debt-clock.com](http://www.us-debt-clock.com): "Imagine the NFL's 30 football stadiums, filled to the top with stacks of \$100-bills. That still wouldn't be enough to hold the \$39 trillion U.S. national debt. You'd need seven more football stadiums full of \$100 bills. With the national debt barreling on toward \$40 trillion, the U.S. government seems caught in what some are

calling a debt-driven 'doom loop.' To make matters worse, the Penn Wharton Budget Model warns that the national debt is actually closer to 100 trillion. Half of every dollar the government borrows now goes to interest on the debt, close to one trillion per year. And while the economy seems fine now, experts warn that the situation could turn bad very quickly. However, it seems few in Washington have the political courage to do anything about it. House Budget Committee Chairman Rep. Jodey Arrington (R-TX) condemned Congress's lack of action on the debt. 'This institution has failed,' Arrington said from the House floor. 'We have failed our country. We have jeopardized our economy, our security, and our leadership in the world. And worst of all, we have compromised on our children's future.' And yet, few politicians in Washington are willing to essentially sabotage their chances of reelection by voting to rein in the major cause of the debt: Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid."

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2025). The Catholic News Agency said “Charlie Kirk was ‘this close’ to becoming Catholic” (Sept. 19, 2025). There is a photo online of him attending mass (*Catholic Vote*, Sept. 11, 2025). A recent video clip on the Turning Point Facebook page, with 354,000 views as of May 1, 2026, features a 10-year-old boy at a Turning Point forum addressing Turning Point leaders Michael Knowles and Matt Walsh, both Roman Catholics. The boy says, “I wanna be a priest when I grow up, and I want to ask what would your advice be?” The Turning Point leaders respond with clapping and double thumbs up. They said, “That’s great news. ... It’s a wonderful thing. Why do you want to be a priest?” The boy replies, “Because God is calling me.” The Turning Point men respond, “Awesome! Awesome! That’s beautiful. This is really great. This is wonderful. ... [When you meet a 10-year-old] who wants to serve God and be a priest, you just say, ‘We’re gonna make it. [Loud shouting and clapping by the audience.] ... As for advice, continue to ask God for direction and keep following. ... Out of the mouth of babes, this is exactly what TPUSA is about. It is exactly what Charlie [Kirk] was doing. It’s one of the most beautiful answers I have heard at any event” (Turning Point USA’s Facebook page). Scripture warns of the development of apostasy through the church age with an explosion of false Christianity at the end of the age, which is exactly where we are and exactly what we see. **God’s Word forbids God’s redeemed people to join hands with false Christianity for any purpose, not for evangelism, not for anti-abortion crusades, not for politics, etc.** In a major passage describing and warning of the apostasy (2 Timothy 3-4), the apostle Paul said, “Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away” (2 Ti. 3:5). If you encounter professing Christians who don’t hold a sound gospel, don’t hold to infallible Scripture, add tradition to the same authority as Scripture, etc., turn away from them. See also Acts 20:28-31;

Romans 16:17; 2 Corinthians 6:14-18; Philippians 3:17-19; Ephesians 5:8-11; Colossians 2:8, 18; 1 Timothy 4:1-3; 2 Timothy 2:16-21; 4:3-4; 2 Peter 2; Jude 1:3-23; Revelation 2:2, 14-15. **Broad tent evangelical ministries such as Turning Point USA do some good, but in the end they are building the one-world church and are bridges to every heresy that exists in our day. Beware!** Christ has already assigned the business of His redeemed people for this age, and it is the Great Commission and the New Testament church (Matthew 28:18-20; 1 Timothy 3:15). It is impossible to obey Christ’s Great Commission (“teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you”) while joining hands with apostasy. We appreciate any good thing in ministries such as Turning Point, but we are going to obey God’s Word and mark and avoid error (Romans 16:17) and give our full attention to proclaiming and obeying the whole counsel of God. The Lord Jesus Christ has given us our marching orders to the end of the age. We refuse to join hands with *any* element of the apostasy, even if it is labeled “evangelical,” for a political agenda or any other purpose. A large percentage of fundamental Baptists are getting weaker in their thinking on biblical separation through association with evangelical ministries and engagement in politics. **For extensive evidence of what is happening in evangelicalism, see *EVANGELICALS AND THE GREAT APOSTASY* at the Courses section of [www.wayoflife.org](http://www.wayoflife.org).** It consists of a textbook, video classes, PowerPoints, review questions, and tests. See especially the segments “Evangelicalism a Bridge to Dangerous Waters.”



## TENNESSEE DECLARES JUNE “NUCLEAR FAMILY MONTH”

The following is excerpted from “Tennessee Declares,” StandingforFreedom, Apr. 17, 2026: “Tennessee Gov. Bill Lee, R, signed a resolution on April 9 declaring June as ‘Nuclear Family Month,’ positioning it as an alternative to LGBTQ+ ‘Pride Month.’ House Joint Resolution 182 passed the state House in April 2025 and cleared the Senate last month. The resolution states that ‘the nuclear family, consisting of one husband, one wife, and any biological, adopted, or fostered children, is God’s design for familial structure and has been the bedrock of society since the creation of the world’ and that ‘the nuclear family built the United States of America and created prosperity within our nation.’ It also highlights the social ills that result when the nuclear family is disrupted, noting that fatherless families are 4 times more likely to live in poverty, while children raised without fathers are 10 times more likely to experience drug or alcohol abuse and more likely to face mental health and behavioral challenges, with 60 percent of youth suicides involving children from fatherless homes. ‘The nuclear family is under attack in our beloved State and nation, and it is our responsibility to uplift, protect, and support values that help Tennessee prosper,’ the resolution states. ... LGBTQ+ advocacy groups loudly criticized the measure. Some referred to it as ‘an act of war’ on LGBTQ Americans ... The sexual revolution that swept America starting in the 1960s has led only to an increasingly chaotic society and human despair. This ‘revolution,’ led by radical feminists and LGBTQ activists, has been waging war on God’s good order ever since, as promiscuity, no-fault divorce, pornography, abortion, gay marriage, drug use, and the sexualization and mutilation of children have all been normalized and accepted.”



Governor Bill Lee of Tennessee signs a bill establishing Nuclear Family Month at Nashville on April 9, 2026. Via X

## A FAITHFUL WIFE

“Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price *is* far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil. She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life” (Proverbs 31:10-12). The following is excerpted from *Submerged: Life on a Fast Attack Submarine* by Henry Rausch: “As a senior officer stationed in NATO, I found myself in a Naples Museum where I encountered a Roman epigraph carved on a large stone tablet. It had adorned the grave of a Roman citizen’s wife. On the tablet, he related how much he had loved her and grieved her death. The inscription told this story: He had been imprisoned by his



creditors. Instead of abandoning him, she administered his accounts while he was in prison and sued for his release. She never wavered in her resolve to vindicate her husband, finally seeing him freed and restored to good standing. She could not bear children and had offered him a divorce so he could marry a woman who would give him heirs. He refused. His love for her burned bright through two millennia. That tablet struck a chord. I recognized my wife in the man’s testament.”

# BIRDS WERE NEVER REPTILES



The following is from CreationMoments.com, April 23, 2026: “Many textbooks tell young people today that birds are modified reptiles. Suppose, they say, that millions of years ago the scales on some reptiles began to fray along the edges. In time, they say, the frayed scales turned into feathers and birds were born. The elegance and beauty of the feather make this story hard to believe. Can sticking a feather on a lizard produce a peacock? The bird’s feather is only a small part of the complete flying system of the bird. Even with very careful planning and redesigning, a reptile doesn’t have what it takes. A bird needs massive breast muscles for flight. In some birds, 30% of the body weight of the bird is breast muscle. By comparison, in humans, breast muscles are only about 1% of body weight. A bird also needs an extremely high metabolism and blood pressure to deliver the energy those muscles need for flight. Birds have a higher metabolism than any other creature; they also have the necessary high blood pressure. Finally, as is well known, birds need light skeletons. The man-o’-war has a wingspan of seven feet. But its entire skeleton weighs only a few ounces—less than its feathers! Even the most clever rebuilding of a reptile cannot produce a bird. In fact, birds have very little in common with reptiles. The entire being of the bird, from body to brain, has been specially designed for flight by a Creator who clearly knows everything there is to know about flight. REF.: Vandeman, George. ‘The miracle of flight,’ *Signs of the Times*.”

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