

OPERATION NEHEMIAH

“You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world... In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in Heaven.” Matthew 5:13–16

You can start an action group. **One person can make a difference.** Africa Christian Action has been equipping and mobilising Christians to be salt and light in their communities since 1991. Our training seminars, radio programmes, rallies and literature have helped many thousands of concerned Christians make a difference for Christ in their communities.

Since ACA launched Operation Clean Sweep in 1991, over 9 000 stores have been persuaded to stop selling pornographic magazines. Several magazines we targeted, such as Scope, went bankrupt and closed down. ACA has been in the forefront of the battle against pornography, in the campaign for Christian education and in the fight for the Right to Life of pre-born babies. ACA published the first pro-life handbook for South Africa, ***Fight for Life***. ACA also published the first South African book against pornography, ***Finding Freedom from the Pornography Plague***, the first book exposing the Homosexual Agenda in South Africa – ***The Pink Agenda: Sexual Revolution and the Ruin of the Family*** as well as ***Make a Difference – A Christian Action Handbook for Southern Africa***.

ACA launched the first pro-life demonstrations, co-ordinated the first **Life Chains, Sanctity Life Sundays** and the **National Days of Repentance** in South Africa and pioneered the first **Biblical Issues Voters’ Guide**, which evaluates political parties on where they stand on pro-life, moral and family issues. ACA has established Christian Action groups in Namibia, Zambia, Malawi and Nigeria, which have had an impact on those nations.

PRINCIPLES FOR GRASSROOTS ACTION

In the Bible, in the book of Nehemiah, we see principles for grassroots action.

INFORMATION

“My people perish for lack of knowledge.” Hosea 4:6. We must be informed. It is when people are informed that they can be inspired to prayer and action. The Christian Action magazine, website and E-updates seek to provide the spiritual ammunition that you need to be effective in the fight for the Right to Life of pre-born babies, the war against pornography and the battle for the family.

INVOLVEMENT

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Nehemiah researched amongst the rubble and developed a plan to motivate and mobilise the community to rebuild their portion of the wall. Yet, while each group of families had their own part of the wall to work on, they were united in the common goal. They “worked with all their hearts” together to achieve the main goal to rebuild the wall. When Nehemiah sounded the trumpet, all rallied to that part of the wall that was under attack for the common defence.

“The work is extensive and spread out, and we are widely separated from each other along the wall. Whenever you hear the sound of the trumpet, join us there. Our God will fight for us!” Nehemiah 4:19

Our trumpets in Operation Nehemiah include the E-updates e-mailing list, the **Christian Action** magazine and the **www.christianaction.org.za** website. For Cape Town events, we have a volunteers SMS list. Do be sure that you are subscribed and on the mailing list for the Christian Action magazine, and that ACA has your e-mail address or cell phone number so that you can be kept up to date on news and upcoming events. Visit the Christian Action website regularly to stay in touch with upcoming events and projects. If you are in the Cape Peninsula, stay tuned to Radio Tygerberg (104FM, Tuesday evenings, 8:30pm, or listen on the web at: www.104FM.co.za) for up-to-date report backs and information. Also, if you are in Cape Town, you can attend Reformation Society meetings on Thursday evenings at Livingstone House (contact us for directions).

Information is cheap. Raw information, which makes up the bulk of newspapers today, does not cost very much and, in fact, is used to start fires or to line cat litter boxes and is thrown out only a few days after it is published.

Understanding is valuable. Wisdom and discernment, which helps us to grasp the essence of an issue, are of great value. Penetrating articles and any insightful analysis, or relevant newsletters, should be cut out and filed for future reference or action.

Participation is precious. That which helps us get involved in making a difference to any important project, is most precious. Whatever can help us be more effective in fulfilling the Great Commission of our Lord Jesus Christ is of eternal importance. Christian Action not only provides valuable insights and Biblical perspectives on the tough issues of the day, but invites your active participation in applying the Lordship of Christ to all areas of life. The goal of ACA is not only to inform and to inspire, but to involve. You are encouraged to educate and enlist others in this Biblical movement to motivate and mobilise the church to be salt and light in society.

INTERCESSION

“Then Jesus told His disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up” Luke 18:1

We are either praying or we have given up. If we have given up, it is probably because we neglected to pray. We need to be informed, we need to be involved, and we need to be interceding. Prayer is our foundation for action.

If you are interested in starting a Christian Action group, all you need to do is to find one or two others who will join you in meeting together regularly, to pray over and discuss projects and strategies. You can also purchase ***Make A Difference: A Christian Action Handbook for Southern Africa***. Sign up, subscribe, tune in, get networked and stay in touch. Together we can transform our communities – by changing lives.

“Does not wisdom call out? Does not understanding raise her voice? On the heights along the way, where the paths meet, she takes her stand; beside the gates leading into the city, at the entrances, she cries aloud.” Proverbs 8:1-3

A PRACTICAL STRATEGY FOR REBUILDING THE WALLS

WHY WE NEED GRASSROOTS ACTION

Newsletters are a great start. They are the foundations from which we can launch our projects. The Bible says that *“My people perish for a lack of knowledge”* Hosea 4.6. That is why the first step must be information distribution.

It is when people are informed that they can be inspired to prayer and action. When they read the material mailed out, many times they are outraged and are motivated at that given moment to do something about it, yet seldom are they given direction. When a community is informed, we can **activate our resources**. Otherwise we have too many heads and not enough feet.

Each person who receives an independent Christian magazine or e-mail is a potential leader in his or her community or local church. They are the ones being informed, they know their pastors, and they know the people in their area. This is what we call grassroots mobilisation, when the people get organised from the ground up.

When grassroots groups are informed, organised and active, then the whole Christian community can be called into action in a matter of a few days. Then when a crisis or opportunity comes, we can mobilise God’s army. Our network will already have been involved in local battles, so they’ll be prepared, prayed up and ready to go.

OPERATION NEHEMIAH

1. Nehemiah received the call to oversee the project of rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem (Neh 1: 1-4). The remnant of Israel was living there amongst the rubble, yet none of them had done anything about it. The people were definitely informed concerning the problem; after all, they lived there. They needed a leader. They needed to be united under one co-ordinator. This was to be Nehemiah.

2. While working together they **each had their own portion** of the wall to rebuild (Neh 3). This was their part, their focus. Each one worked in his own community, close to his home, rebuilding that part of the wall that was most important to him.
3. Each group of families had their own part of the wall to work on, yet they were united in their common goal to rebuild the wall (Neh 4:6). They **“worked with all their hearts”** together to achieve the main goal, to rebuild the wall.
4. The most important communications asset to their project was the trumpet. The trumpet bearer was always with Nehemiah (Neh 4:18). Quoting from verse 19: **“Then I said to the nobles, the officials and the rest of the people, ‘The work is extensive and spread out, and we are widely separated from each other along the wall. Whenever you hear the sound of the trumpet, join us there. Our God will fight for us!’”**

Their commander was also their watchman. When one portion of the wall was under attack, he blew the trumpet and they all ran to its defence, realising that if the enemy obtained a foothold in one portion of the wall, the whole city would be threatened.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF NEHEMIAH

1. **They needed a leader.** All armies must have a commander for practical purposes so that everyone knows exactly what part of the task he is responsible for. It prevents chaos and provides direction. It is necessary for mass movement. To call the people from grassroots, they must have a **contact point**. Someone they can call on with questions, someone who is overseeing the projects and can give direction. We need a person or organisation to take the lead in this grassroots project. At the moment there are many organisations doing many projects, yet we all have the same goal and that is to reclaim Africa for Christ, applying Biblical Principles to every area of life. As we unite in the Christian Action Network for our common cause, while working on our own portion of the wall, we will become much more effective. Imagine, instead of being able to reach several thousand people on our own, together we could reach millions for Christ.
2. **They each had their own portion.** God has given each one of us a distinctive call. He has called some to fight the humanist threat in education, some to fight for the right to life of the pre-born and still others to fight against pornography, or for Bible and family based education . . . this is our portion of the wall. We must continue to work in these areas. These are the issues that are close to our hearts that we’ve focused on; these battlefields are our God-given responsibilities in the building of the wall.
3. **They were united in their common goal.** The goal we all share is to restore Biblical principles to our society and to lift up a standard of righteousness in a world enslaved by sin. God has put into all of our hearts the desire to see our nation return to Almighty God and His Law. Nehemiah shows us that to achieve this goal we must not only work on our own portion, but we must also unite to achieve our common goal of fulfilling the Great Commission. We can unite by calling on all the members of our separate organisations and asking them if they would like to start a Christian Action group in their home church. These groups are prayer, strategy and action groups networked through the Christian Action Network. This way, when an important issue comes up and the whole country must react, then these groups are informed. They can mobilise their community and together we can rally to fight the common enemy at whatever point he is, at that moment, attacking.
4. **The trumpet.** In Nehemiah we see that if one portion of the wall was being attacked the trumpet was blown and all the other people ran to that point to fight the enemy. Practically speaking, there are times when a certain issue comes up before us that requires national attention. For example: the legalisation of abortion, blasphemous movies like “The Last Temptation of Christ”, sleazy billboards, changes in the education system. These issues may fall under that portion of the wall dealt with by The Home Schooling Association, Africa Christian Action, Christians for Truth, Doctors for Life, Family Policy Institute or True Love Waits. However, they are issues that are so important that they need the attention and support of the whole Christian army. With the availability of a co-ordinating agency and Christian Action groups formed in local churches all around the country, these attacks can be faced immediately and efficiently. Instead of thousands of concerned Christians working in different directions independently, we will have a combined voice and force with which to act. The trumpets we can use today include: newsletters, mailing lists, literature, Facebook, Twitter, SMS networks, telephone trees, email, websites and radio.

Africa Christian Action not only provides valuable insights and Biblical perspectives on the tough issues of the day, but also invites your active **participation in applying the Lordship of Christ to all areas of life**. You are invited to get involved in rebuilding the pro life, pro family and moral walls. The goal of Christian Action is not only to **inform and inspire**, but also to **involve**. You are encouraged to educate and enlist others in this Biblical movement to motivate and mobilise the Church to be salt and light in society.

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WHAT EXACTLY DO WE MEAN BY ACTION GROUPS?

An Action Group is a group of informed and inspired Christians who are willing to pray and take action on issues that affect their community. The issues can be as small, or as large, as the group feels they have the capacity to handle. Nobody can do everything, but everybody can do something.

This Starter Pack simply explains our vision, how you can fit into the plan and an outline of how to get started.

Once your group is started, it would be ideal if you could meet once a week, or at least once a month. The meetings should preferably last approximately two hours. The first hour would be dedicated to informed prayer and hearing from the Lord. Prayer for the nation, for our leaders, for the Church, for Revival and for the project your group is working on at that time. This time of prayer is essential for group focus and motivation. Nothing of eternal benefit will happen without prayer.

The second hour would be strategy and action time. As the groups are formed and established then we can begin to deal with the projects. For example, one month may focus on ridding our stores of pornographic magazines. The next month we might do a mass letter writing campaign to promote the right to life of pre-born babies. The purpose of these projects is to put feet to the newsletters and information. It is to train our people for war so to speak (Judges 3:1-2). While doing this, it would also establish a Christian army from which to launch our offensives the moment the devil tries to attack any area. This is Grassroots Mobilisation: organising and training a Christian army for service.

THE STRATEGY FOR ACTION

“Who will rise up for Me against the wicked? Who will take a stand for Me against the evildoers?” Psalm 94:16

The battle for the family is intensifying. It is a battle for hearts, minds and souls; it is a spiritual battle that will determine the shape and direction of schools, young lives and society.

As Christians, we are called to be Salt and Light (Matthew 5:13-16). We need to be involved in the battle for the life and liberty of the pre-born. We need to fight for the Faith and for the freedom to study God’s Word in schools. We need to combat the pornography plague in our shops and media, and we need to counteract the curse of compromise and cowardice within our own lives and congregations.

Our Lord taught us that we should ***“always pray and not give up.”*** In the parable of the persistent widow, Jesus taught us that even an unjust judge will give in and do what is right in response to persistent prayer and pressure (Luke 18: 1-8).

HOW TO START AN ACTION GROUP

- **Subscribe** to the **Christian Action** magazine, P O Box 23632, Claremont, 7735, Cape Town.
Or e-mail: mail@christianaction.org.za.
- **Sign up** for the ACA E-updates: info@christianaction.org.za, Christian News from CFT: mail@cft.org.za and E-Newsletters from the Family Policy Institute: sign up on www.familypolicyinstitute.com.
- **Obtain** a copy of ***Make A Difference: A Christian Action Handbook for Southern Africa***.
- **Recruit** a friend or two and **determine** a date and venue for your first Christian Action meeting.
- **Write up a programme** for your first Christian Action, Transformation Team or Reformation Society meeting including:
 - **Study** the Scriptures.
 - **Review** the Action Items of the most recent **Christian Action** magazine.
 - **Print** out the latest e-updates from ACA or Upcoming Events from the **Christian Action** website: www.christianaction.org.za
 - **Discuss** and **decide** on your projects. See **Ideas for Projects** on page 8.
 - **Register** your Christian Action group with ACA, let us know the name of your group, the area covered, the name of your Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, or any other office bearers or committee members, the date of your first meeting, your contact details including addresses, e-mails, telephone, fax and cell phones, your home church affiliations, occupations, skills and interests.
 - Enrol in our next **Biblical Worldview Summit** Leadership and Worldview Training Programme (Every year during school holidays in June/July, sometimes also in January). Regional Worldview Weekends are also held on occasion. See Upcoming Events on the Christian Action website.
 - **Plan** to meet regularly (either once a month, twice a month or once a week). **Decide** on the best time and day of the week for your meeting.
 - **Recruit** more friends to join your action group.
 - **Schedule** an extended time of prayer with your action group. Pray through recent **Christian Action** magazines and **Christian News** from Christians for Truth. Pray the Psalms.

“Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them.” Ephesians 5:11

ACTION GROUPS AROUND SOUTHERN AFRICA

There are Action Groups that already exist all over Southern Africa. You may want to join up with other groups in your city for larger events or projects. Some groups that we know of include:

SOUTH AFRICA:

The Reformation Society – Cape Town

Email: info@reformationSA.org, Tel: 021- 689 4480, Website: www.reformationSA.org.

Biblical Christian Network – Gauteng

Contact: Greg Pereira: 083 359 5093 or William Dicks: 083 556 7600, bibcnet@gmail.com, www.bcn.za.org.

Christians For Truth – Durban, Pietermaritzburg and Port Elizabeth

Contact: mail@cft.org.za or 032 – 481 5512 for details.

East London Pro-life Group

Contact Judy van Aardt: 043 – 726 9900 or jvan@iafrica.com.

Freestate Pro-life Network

Contact: Faan Oosthuizen: sdoosthuizen@xsinet.co.za or 083 2659395 or

Martha Dean: marthadean@vodamail.co.za or 083 978 7279.

ZAMBIA:

Lusaka

World Baptist Evangelistic Association. Bishop Bwanali Phiri: worldbaptist_evass_2002@yahoo.co.uk
or (260) 096761730.

PLEASE SEND IN DETAILS OF
OTHER ACTION GROUPS TO
BE INCLUDED IN FUTURE
EDITIONS.

HOW TO APPROACH YOUR PASTOR

We sit and wonder why so many children are involved in satanism. We are aghast when we see pornographic magazines in local shops. We are outraged when we hear that creation is being replaced by pagan evolutionist theory in the classroom. Yet we rarely do anything. Why? Because we have been deceived into believing that the Church must not get involved in “social issues”.

Here are some basic principles to follow in approaching your Pastor about starting your Transformation Team/Christian Action group.

1. Approach your Pastor with respect. He is the shepherd of the flock whom God has appointed.
2. Give him a copy of the Christian Action magazine and explain the vision of ACA.
3. Show him the **“Practical Strategy for Rebuilding the Walls”** study.
4. Share with him the Biblical principles that have motivated you to Christian involvement in the moral, social, pro-life and family issues.

Helpful Scriptures:

- Mark 12:31 ***“Love your neighbour as you love yourself.”***
- Matthew 5:13-16 ***“You are the salt of the earth... You are the light of the world... In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in Heaven.”***
- Psalm 94:1 ***“Who will rise up for Me against the wicked? Who will take a stand for Me against evildoers?”***
- Luke 10:25-37 (Parable of the Good Samaritan)
- Matthew 21:15-17 (Clearing the Temple)
- Nehemiah 2:17 ***“Then I said to them, ‘You see the trouble we are in: Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been burned with fire. Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, and we will no longer be in disgrace.’”***
- Jude 3 ***“Contend for the Faith that was once for all entrusted to the saints.”***
- Ezekiel 22:30 ***“I looked for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand before Me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it.”***
- Isaiah 6:8 ***“Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send? And who will go for Us?’ Then I said, ‘Here am I Lord. Send me!’”***
- Matthew 7:7-8 We need to continually **ask** (prayer), **seek** (strategy) and **knock** (action).
- Luke 11:5-10 We must **never give up**. Even an unjust judge will do what is right in response to **persistent prayer** and **pressure**. (Luke 18:1-6).

5. After you have related to your Pastor those Scriptures which have inspired you to action, then share the information about ACA and share your heart with him. Be honest and open. Share your testimony with him, how God moved in your heart to become involved. Christian social action is ministry just like street evangelism, ministry to the elderly, or any other work for the Lord. It must be done.

6. Most importantly, pray. Pray that he will catch the vision and support your group. Ask for his advice and blessing and go forth in confidence.

WAYS IN WHICH YOUR PASTOR COULD HELP

1. **Preach and teach** on Biblical principles in all areas of life including moral, social, pro-life and family issues.
2. **Include items for prayer and action in the church bulletin** or on the notice board.
3. **Attend when possible and encourage attendance**, at the Christian Action group.
4. **Announce** Christian Action, Reformation and Revival Seminars, projects and outreaches.
5. Pray from the pulpit for the Christian Action group and **Biblical Worldview Summit**, observe **Sanctity Life Sunday**, support the **Life Chains** and other pro-life and moral issues and events.

We hope and pray that this brief outline will be of help in starting your Christian Action group. Please report back to us on any progress, problems, testimonies and successful strategies employed. This feedback will encourage and help the rest of us as we strive to rebuild the walls.

May the Lord bless you as you persevere in the work of our Lord.

YOUR FIRST MEETING

This is simply a basic outline to help you in organising your first Christian Action meeting. Do not feel you have to stick strictly to this outline, it is just meant to be an aid. However, this model schedule has been found to work well:

7:00-7:15 Begin with reading a Psalm and an opening prayer. After prayer, explain the vision of ACA using “**A Practical Strategy for Rebuilding The Walls**” and the book of Nehemiah as a guide. Following that, inform your group of prayer needs in the nation, in your community and the project you are working on.

7:15-8:00 The following 45 minutes should be spent in prayer. During this time earnestly pray for the needs, but also take time to listen and be quiet before the Lord. Intercession should not be rushed. (You may prefer to have the prayer time after discussing the Strategy and Action Points.)

Perhaps pray some of the **Scriptural prayers** (e.g.: Nehemiah 9:6 37; Psalm 46; 79; 80; 82; 83; 85; Colossians 1: 3 14). Remember to praise the Lord for answered prayer.

8:00-8:55 The second hour will be strategy and action time.

1. During your prayer time the Lord may give new strategy ideas, discuss these and write them down.
2. Inform the group of the project for the month.
3. Have a short **Bible study** on the Scriptures that are given in the *Make a Difference* book or *Biblical Principles for Africa, Discipleship Handbook, The Pink Agenda, Finding Freedom From the Pornography Plague* or *Fight for Life* book. Answer questions.
4. Hand out copies of **sample letters** and other ideas on how they can be directly involved.
5. It is a good idea if you can actually use this time for **letter writing**. Have pens and paper available. This is a good place to start.
6. When outreaches or actions are involved, you can also use this time to discuss meeting times and **practical arrangements**.

8:55-9:00 Closing remarks, questions and prayer.

9:00 Tea & fellowship time.

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IDEAS FOR PROJECTS

1. **Organise prayer meetings** for the nation, leaders, churches, families and for spiritual Revival. **Organise** a prayer vigil at your local hospital, abortion clinic, etc.
2. **Letter writing campaigns** to the President and Minister of Health concerning abortion, the Minister of Home Affairs concerning pornography. Letters to shop owners and managers to protest the promotion of immoral literature or videos. Letters of support to stores that refuse to stock pornography. Letters of encouragement to magazines or TV programmes that take a pro-life, moral and family stand.
3. **Establish Transformation Teams/Christian Action groups in your home and local church.** Get people actively involved in doing something positive to solve the problems and not just talking about them. Enrol more **subscribers** for the **Christian Action** magazine and Email list. Invite your “friends” to join the Africa Christian Action group on Facebook.
4. **Letters to the Editor.** This is an excellent way to focus public attention on a matter of importance, or to correct unbalanced reports in your local newspapers and magazines.
5. **Speak out publicly and positively** in your church, schools and surrounding communities against pornography, blasphemy, gambling, abortion, humanism and other evils and for Biblical principles.
6. **Literature distribution.** Handing out mass amounts of tracts and informational literature in public places like university campuses, carnivals, bus stops, taxi ranks, traffic intersections and railway stations, etc.
7. **Staging an actual protest or prayer vigil (meeting)** in front of shops that sell immoral DVDs or literature (pornography) or protests in front of government buildings where a key issue is being addressed. This usually gets media coverage while dramatically informing the community of the issue at hand. Use posters, pictures and tracts. Use visual aids to make your views known to the passers-by.
8. **Advertise in the public media** or put up posters in public areas, presenting your moral or pro-life stand. Post links to pro-life or pro-family video clips or articles on your Facebook status.
9. Use **DVDs, posters, bumper stickers, T-shirts and “Precious Feet”** available from Africa Christian Action to educate and inform.
10. **Delegations and interviews with influential people.** Write and request an interview with government officials, your parliamentary representative, your pastor, or the headmaster at your local school. Tell them of your views, ask them to speak up and do something about the pornography in local stores, violence on TV and occultism, evolution or interfaith in public schools.
11. **Conferences, day seminars, or weekend camps.** Support and advertise Biblical Worldview Seminars, God and Government Seminars or Reformation and Revival Seminars.
12. Set up a **Salt & Light notice board** at your church, keeping it current with interesting posters, newsletters and news cuttings.
13. **Research the enemy and expose them.** Find out all you can about the pro-pornography and pro-abortion groups and expose them publicly and in the media. Write about them, pass the word, and let other pro-life, pro-family groups know the deceptive and dangerous tactics that are being used.
14. **Arrange** for a **guest speaker** from ACA to minister at your school, college or church. **Advertise** upcoming events: e.g. **Sanctity Life Sunday, National Day of Repentance, Life Chain, National Women’s Day outreaches, Reformation Conference, CFT Conference,** etc.

15. **Organise** for a film showing (*God's Miracle of Life, In Your Face, Luther, Eclipse of Reason, Window to the Womb, The Empty Embrace, The Hard Truth, The Final Frontier, What if Jesus Had Never Been Born? etc.*) at your church, youth group, school, university or workplace.
16. **Help market and sell** the books, CDs, DVDs and videos available from ACA and receive a small commission while spreading the Word. Set up a **book table** at your church.
17. **Encourage** your pastor to observe **Sanctity Life Sunday** each year on the closest Sunday to the legalisation of abortion in SA (1 February) and to promote **International Life Chain Sunday** (the first Sunday in October).

FOUR PRACTICAL THINGS YOU CAN DO TO SAVE LIVES

1. Order the multi-media pro-life DVD **God's Miracle of Life** from ACA and offer to show it at your church or in school Biology and Life Skills/sex education classes (R35, including postage).
2. Request quantities of our pro-life leaflets: **Abortion - The Facts**, **"It's My Body"** or **Milestones of Early Life** (available in English, Afrikaans and Xhosa) and place them in public areas in hospitals or clinics. For private doctors' waiting rooms we have a Pro-life colour booklet called *"Undecided? Exploring your options for an unplanned pregnancy"* and pamphlets on adoption from a Christian Adoption Agency.
3. Order our book, **Fight for Life** (R18) or **Make a Difference** (R59) and donate it to a church or school library.
4. Request our **Loving Options** poster, which can be placed on hospital, school, church and community notice boards. This poster is designed for women facing crisis pregnancies and contains contact details of Pregnancy Crisis Centres and a counselling Help Line.

"If you falter in times of trouble, how small is your strength! Rescue those who are led away to death; hold back those staggering towards slaughter. If you say, 'But we knew nothing about this', does not He who weighs the heart perceive it? Will He not repay each person according to what he has done?" Proverbs 24:10-12

EARN EXTRA INCOME: RUN A BOOKTABLE AT YOUR CHURCH (South Africa only)

Would you like to distribute ACA tracts and magazines and sell Christian Action resources to your congregation?

Only about 5% of churchgoers visit Christian bookshops regularly. The best way to make church members aware of the great resources available to them to be more effective in fulfilling the Great Commission and being Salt and Light in their community, is to set up a book table on Sunday mornings at your church. Another idea is to obtain permission to set up a book table at a church camp, conference or Missions Weekend.

Contact Christian Liberty Books email: admin@christianlibertybooks.co.za, Tel/Fax: 021 – 689-7478 to apply for a book table account and to order resources, including books, CDs, DVDs, bumper stickers, and precious feet lapel pins, on consignment (sale or return).

A reading Christian is a growing Christian. Redeem the time by renewing minds.

Download the **Christian Action Resources Catalogue** from www.christianaction.org.za (many other Reformation and Revival resources are available from Christian Liberty Books, please visit www.christianlibertybooks.co.za or email: admin@christianlibertybooks.co.za, or call 021 – 689 7478 for Audio Visual or book catalogues).

Contact **Africa Christian Action** for a **Free Literature Catalogue** (tracts, leaflets and back copies of the Christian Action magazine) or see the back of this Starter Pack. We can send you these tracts and magazines for free, but we would appreciate contributions towards postage and printing costs.

Alternatively, you can download tracts from www.livingstonefellowship.co.za/tractslis.asp.

You could also sell JOY! or JUIG! magazines from your book table. Contact JOY! or JUIG! to receive batches of 10, 15 or 20, at cost price. Email: mag@joymag.co.za or call 021 – 852 4061.

“The discerning heart seeks knowledge.” Proverbs 15:14

WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE?

The task is great and the workers are few - nobody can do everything, but we can all do something and what we can do we must do, and what we must do we will do by the grace of God who gave us our life, talents, gifts and opportunities. Here are some suggestions:

- **STUDY THE BIBLE** both personally and in a group of like-minded believers. The objective truth of God’s Word must be the inspiration and solid foundation for all our actions. Until we know God’s Word we can be easily misled and deceived.
- **PRAY** for our country, for parents, pastors, teachers and government officials. Constantly remind your church and prayer group of the urgent needs and Biblical issues for prayer and action. Pray through the Psalms.
- **BE INFORMED** about the reality of what is going on in our world and in our churches today. Write to and subscribe to E-updates and publications like:

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- the name of the cinema or theatre where the film was seen; or the name of the video outlet or retailer where the video, DVD or computer game was rented/bought
- the date and time of the exhibition in the case of a cinema or theatre, or the date of the rental or purchase of the video, DVD or computer game
- a brief summary of the complaint

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For **E-TV** programme complaints contact: Tel: 021 – 481 4500. Email: info@etv.co.za

For **Government Departments** go to: www.info.gov.za/aboutgovt/contacts/dept

For **Municipality Contacts** look in your local phone book or go to: www.waynedam.com/southafrica/munis.asp

Contact details change regularly, so if the above contact details are no longer correct, try doing a search on www.google.co.za or call Enquiries: on 1023.

As a matter of principle, in all your communications: **Be specific, avoid arguments, understate rather than exaggerate, and always be courteous, but firm.** In your first communication give the person concerned the benefit of the doubt and assume that, once informed, he/she will agree with your principled stand.

- **BE WILLING** to be active and make yourself available to Christian Action groups. We need people willing to help with artwork, translations, typing, mailings, literature distribution, hospitality for foreign guests or missionaries, letter-writing campaigns, petitions, marches, counselling and other projects.
- **ARRANGE MEETINGS** for us at your local school, church women's group and/or youth group and invite one of our speakers to spread the Word and promote the vision.
- **GIVE** generously to support Christian workers, projects, seminars and publications.
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- **ESTABLISH** a Christian Action group in your church for prayer and study, strategy and action.
- **BE COMMITTED** to God, to your family, to your community, to your church and to evangelism.
- **SEEK GOD** for wisdom, for His will and His work which He wants you to do.
- **UPHOLD BIBLICAL STANDARDS**, proclaim God's Word and fight for the right to life of the pre-born.

One person can make a difference. You are never too young, too old, too insignificant, too handicapped, or too busy that you can't make a difference.

How do I get started? Obtain a copy of *Make A Difference*. Join a Christ centred, Bible-based church. Attend that first meeting. Write that letter.

The most important thing to remember is, as long as you're sincere and polite, there is no wrong way to write a letter to a public leader or to an editor.

"Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them." Ephesians 5:11

"Stand firm ...contending for the Faith of the Gospel without being frightened in any way by those who oppose you." Philippians 1:27, 28

HOW TO WRITE EFFECTIVE LETTERS

1. IDENTIFY YOURSELF

Increase your effectiveness by accurately describing yourself whether as a constituent or correspondent writing to other members of parliament/Cabinet ministers; a voter (also: campaign contributor, member of the party, etc.); an active citizen (member of civic group, service organisation, club or religious organisation, etc.); a taxpayer (farmer, union member, housewife, businessman, stockholder, home-owner, etc.)

2. BE FRIENDLY

Letters from thoughtful friends or undecided voters have more influence than letters from abusive enemies. Leave name calling and threats to the other side. Remember, you represent the Lord in your words and attitudes.

3. ONE SUBJECT PER LETTER

Do not indulge in long letters with many subjects. Write often on separate issues. You will save time. Write a more focused and readable letter and multiply your effectiveness this way.

4. BE NEAT AND BRIEF

If possible, type your letter. Otherwise write or print neatly, to make it easy to read. Leave plenty of margin and space between the lines. Your return address must be complete and legible on the letter as well as on the envelope. Write a short opening, two or three paragraphs on the subject and a short closing. Try not to go over one page.

5. ADDRESS PROPERLY

The Honourable Minister of...

Full name and title

Private Bag ...

Code, City

Dear Mr ...

Re: ...

6. KNOW YOUR SUBJECT

Know how a piece of legislation violates the principles of God's Word. Identify the legislation by a bill number, unless it has been widely publicised by a particular name. If a particular correction would make the bill more acceptable, describe the change you would like to see adopted and why. As well as quoting appropriate Scripture verses, use logical and rational arguments to persuade an unbeliever that the standpoint that you are making is good and logical, as well as Biblical.

7. BE SPECIFIC

Mention specific arguments, rather than generalities such as "this bill is useless". Being specific puts pressure on the parliamentarians to be specific in his reply. Ask the question: "Will you oppose this amendment? If not, will you please explain why you will not?" This will sometimes cause the member to seriously consider an issue for the first time.

8. ADD WEIGHT

If you are making a report to your church or civic organisation on the subject of your letter, say so. You can enclose a clipping from the local newspaper to support the point you make. Be sure to name the paper and the date. Another good way to add weight to your letter is to write a "Letter to the Editor" of the local paper, then enclose a copy together with your letter to the member of parliament, thus letting him know that you are influencing other voters also.

9. NO "FORM" LETTERS

"Form" letters, or letters copied from sample letters, show that you are not interested enough to take the time to learn about the issue and write your own feelings on it. Your representative is interested in the way you feel and as long as your letter can be read, it doesn't matter if the spelling and grammar aren't perfect.

RADIO PHONE-IN PROGRAMMES AND DEBATES

In a radio phone in you may only be given time for a couple of sentences. Make sure you have powerful, hard hitting statements.

E.g.: *Pornography is the theory - Rape is the practice.*

Pornography and prostitution are two sides of the same coin.

Porn is addictive, deadly and progressive.

Pornography infringes on the human rights of women and children - their right to privacy, dignity and protection.

In a debate you will have more time to develop your arguments (if you are on the panel) but the same principles apply.

1. The best thing about radio: You can't be seen, so spread your literature in front of you. **Have your facts at your fingertips.**
2. **Be confident and unashamed of your message.** Be calm, reasonable, factual, logical and rational. Don't get emotional, frustrated or irritated.
3. **Plan** what you want to say. **Write down main points.** Don't try to touch too many issues. Repeat your important points in different ways: *"Life begins at Conception". "Abortion is the killing of an innocent and helpless baby"*.
4. **Bridge.** A bridge is a responsive answer to a question which also brings up information that may not be directly related to the question. Bridging permits you to talk for more than half the time while being very courteous to the other side. Bridging permits you to have the vast majority of the talk in areas favourable to you. Bridging enables you to get across each of the points which you have written down before you talk and which you want to get across. Bridging is probably done best by politicians, but anybody can learn it. In fact, **it is possible to give the audience any information in response to any question.** e.g.: *"It's my right to see what I want to see. My right to freedom of expression is guaranteed in the constitution. You can't dictate that"* (Handbook on Euthanasia, p 73). Answer: *"Your right to freedom of expression is in the constitution, but rights are not absolute, they all have limits. Your right to express yourself is limited by another's right to privacy, dignity and protection. Bridge: The Congress of the USA has received testimony that 77% of child molesters of boys and 87% of molesters of girls admitted imitating behaviour they had seen in pornography. Childline studies in KwaZulu-Natal in 2005 revealed that 90% of all male child sex offenders between the ages of 13 and 18 had been exposed to pornography and "believed that this had an impact on the development of their abusive behaviour." Is this the type of headlines and the standard we would like in our country – "Child on child violence is out of control" (Cape Times 23/10/06)? Your freedom of expression is limited by another person's right to protection and dignity"*.
5. **Talk for 60% of the time** by giving reasons for your answers and bridging. Don't interrupt anyone. Be polite. Remember that you represent Christ in your attitude and behaviour.
6. **Repeat your points in different ways.** (e.g.: Plastic covers do not stop children seeing porn. AND *"At a Pretoria primary school, a Grade 1 boy had in his possession a page from Hustler magazine with a revolting picture that stunned everybody in the classroom."* Sunday Times 12/03/95)
7. **Keep to your main points.** Don't get pulled away on red herrings (e.g.: prior censorship and apartheid). On the pro-life issue, keep to **"when does life begin"** and **"what is abortion"**. Don't get drawn into long discussions (rabbit trails) on back-street abortions or street children.
8. **Don't be afraid to use Scripture,** but make your point clearly enough so that even if they refuse to accept Scripture, your arguments are still valid. For example: ***"Then, when desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin: and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death"*** James 1:15 and the example of the rapist and murderer, Elvis Jotamo, and his addiction to pornography.
9. **If you get stuck, say something and bridge.** Don't get discouraged. One improves with practice.

HOW TO ORGANISE A DEMONSTRATION

“Does not wisdom call out? Does not understanding raise her voice? On the heights along the way, where the paths meet, she takes her stand; beside the gates leading into the city, at the entrances, she cries aloud.” Proverbs 8: 1-3

1. PRAYER

- Before, during and after. Prayer is a foundation for action, not an excuse for inactivity.

“Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labour in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain.” Psalm 127:1

2. PLANNING

- Appoint a Steering Committee.
- Decide on date, time, place and advertising strategy.

3. PERMISSION

- Check with your city council.
- Quicker to e-mail or fax, urge them for immediate response for advertising purposes.
- Always take letter of permission to the demo.

4. PERSONAL INVITATION

- Approach your pastor with a humble and teachable attitude.
- Share the vision, share the Scriptures and give him material on the issue.
- Make an appointment to come back for a second visit to confirm his involvement.
- Urge him to lead the way.

5. PARTICIPATION

- Advertising: Websites, e-mailings, Facebook, Twitter, SMSs, radio, newspapers, your own publications, mail-outs, flyers, posters, pulpit announcements, church bulletins and personal invitation.
- Actively recruit with videos, tracts and other teaching materials.

6. PRESS

- Press releases before and after the event. Invite them and then write a mini article to tell them how it went, something they can use for publication.
- Have press packages ready for them.
- Encourage the participants to write letters to the editor on the issue.
- Appoint a press spokesman and tell everyone to refer media representatives to them.

7. PLACARDS

- Big lettering, able to be read from a distance; black or red on white or black on yellow works best. Keep it simple, clean, clear and straightforward. Remember the purpose is to inform and challenge. Some ideas:
“Don’t abort Africa’s future”, “Back to the Bible”, “Abortion kills babies”, “Jesus is Lord”, or “Choose Life”.

8. PROCLAIM

- It is important to use the occasion for literature distribution to inform, inspire and involve.

9. PREPARE

- Have your people as informed as possible. Appoint a spokesman for the group to handle the press.

“But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.” 1 Peter 3:15

HOW TO ORGANISE YOUR OWN WOMEN'S DAY OUTREACH

Women need real protection and respect – practical action, not pious platitudes from politicians and meaningless public holidays! Why not use Women's Day this year (9 August), as an opportunity to inform, inspire and involve people in promoting awareness and taking action against the exploitation of women through pornography, rape and abortion?

You can download our Women's Day leaflet from: www.christianaction.org.za/acawomensdayleaflet.pdf or order quantities from us. You can also read our reports from previous outreaches on the www.christianaction.org.za website. Visit our Photo Gallery to see photos.

On 9 August, National Women's Day, Africa Christian Action sets up literature tables in three different shopping malls in the Cape Town area – Khayelitsha Shopping Centre, Canal Walk and Somerset Mall. Why don't you consider doing a similar outreach in your area?

In previous years we have managed to distribute many thousands of relevant informative and Gospel leaflets to shoppers, and many conversations resulted. The overwhelming majority of passersby were positive and some were enthusiastically supportive. We also gave balloons with pro-family messages and Scripture verses to thousands of children. Even Muslim women dressed in burkas went out of their way to ask for the Scripture balloons for their children, and for The Christian Liberation of Women leaflet.

“Wisdom calls aloud outside; she raises her voice in open squares. She cries out in the chief concourses, at the openings of the gates in the city she speaks her words.” Proverbs 1:20-21

Follow the **9 P's** and you will be on your way to successfully making a positive difference to the lives of precious women and children.

PRAYER

- Before, during and after. Prayer is the foundation for action.

PLANNING

- Recruit helpers to plan and participate.
- Decide on date, time, place and advertising strategy.

PERMISSION

- Contact the management of the Shopping Mall in your area and ask if you can set up a table in a public area of the mall, to promote awareness to combat the abuse and exploitation of women. They often call this a “Charity Display Agreement”. Urge them for a prompt response for your advertising and recruitment purposes. They will probably give you some forms to fill in. See the end of this article for a sample letter.
- Always take the letter of permission with you to the outreach/display.

PERSONAL INVITATION

- Approach your pastor with a humble and teachable attitude.
- Share the vision, relevant Scriptures and give him materials on the issues.
- Urge him to announce your outreach and to pray for it.

PARTICIPATION

- Advertise on radio community notices, your own publications, church bulletins, church announcements and personal invitations.
- Actively recruit with tracts and other teaching materials.
- Appoint helpers and have them wear specific badges, shirts or uniform colours.

PRESS

- Press releases before and after the event. Invite local community papers and write a mini article to tell them how it went, something they can use for the publication. Send a clear, story-telling photo.

Sample Letter to a Mall Manager:

9 July 2009
Somerset Mall

Attention: The Exhibitions Co-ordinator

Dear Sir

National Women's Day – 9 August 2009

Africa Christian Action has, for the past 18 years been taking a stand against the exploitation and abuse of women and children in our nation.

In celebration of National Women's Day, 9 August 2009, we would like to again have the opportunity, as you have granted us previously, to display and distribute free literature from tables in Somerset Mall. The literature will focus on issues dealing with the protection of women from abuse and exploitation and the importance of building strong families for the future of our country.

We will also be distributing free balloons (no helium) to the children – this proved to be a huge attraction in the past. Free roses will also be handed to women.

We would appreciate an opportunity to serve the community in this way and look forward to your positive response in this regard.

Thanking you in anticipation.

Taryn Hodgson
National Co-ordinator
Africa Christian Action

HOW TO ORGANISE A PRODUCTIVE ITINERARY FOR A GUEST SPEAKER

“Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as though you were working for the Lord and not for men.”

Colossians 3:23

PRAYER

- For guidance and blessing on the organisers, hosts, speaker and congregations.

PURPOSE

- That the Name of the Lord may be glorified.
- That the Word of God may be boldly and clearly proclaimed.
- That the will of God may be done.
- That the people of God may be: educated and enlisted; informed and involved; motivated and mobilised.

PLACE

- A suitable and central venue which will adequately accommodate the seminar/rally.
- Of course, with home fellowships and church meetings, the venue is already decided upon.

PEOPLE

- The target audience needs to be reached and motivated to attend.
- This is best by personal recommendation.
- Each one reach one. Each one bring one.

PUBLICITY

- This is a priority for any productive programme.
- Your constituency needs to be notified of the planned service, seminar, rally or lecture in good time. Draw up a notice to be mailed to your key contacts and local mailing list/e-mailing list.
- Place the notices in your church publication.
- Have the event mentioned and prayed for, from the pulpit.
- Place notices on all available notice boards.
- Inform your local newspaper for inclusion in their community notice bulletins.
- Inform your local radio station(s) of the details of the event (in writing) and ask them to notify their listeners of the topic, venue, date and time of the rally/seminar.
- Ask local store owners (for example, your local Christian bookstore) to place a notice in their shop window, or leaflets advertising the event on their check-out counter for customers to take.
- For some big events you may even want to place some advertisements in a suitable publication, or place A3 or A2 posters on lampposts to publicise the event.
- However, while it is important that one does a thorough job of advertising, we have found that it is still personal recommendations and invitations that bring most newcomers to any meeting.
- For seminars and rallies it is also appropriate to phone and personally invite neighbouring ministers to bring their congregation, or youth group, to the meeting; or to make it known to their people.

PRESENTATIONS

- This is the speaker's responsibility. The more thorough the prayerful, personal and practical preparation - the more powerful the presentation. With seminars, it is helpful to use powerpoints, DVDs or other visual aids. How you can help is to ensure that the speaker has a suitable lectern/pulpit area to spread out his notes and a data projector and screen, with extension lead and adaptor, if needed.

PUBLICATIONS

- This again is our responsibility. We will bring a selection of literature for free distribution and books for sale. Please ensure that there are two adequate tables to display the literature upon. If these tables are usually used for tea and coffee, etc., please ensure that they are clean. Sticky tables wreck good literature. The tables should be situated close to the entrance or, if there is tea and fellowship afterwards, in the fellowship hall/foyer to allow easy access and prominent visibility. The literature provides the vital follow up to the seminar/meetings.

“So then, my dear brothers, stand firm and steady. Keep busy always in your work for the Lord, since you know that nothing you do in the Lord's service is ever useless.” 1 Corinthians 15:5-8

WORK FOR REFORMATION BY ESTABLISHING A CHRISTIAN CALENDAR

We want God to bless our nation – but God cannot bless a nation in rebellion to His Laws. We cannot expect God to bless a country that kills babies – legally - with tax-payers money, which legalises and tolerates blasphemy as entertainment and which removes Bible education from the public schools.

1. Celebrate **Sanctity Life Sunday** by preaching on the Sanctity of Life – closest Sunday to 1 February.
2. Observe the commemoration of the legalisation of abortion on demand in South Africa (1 February) as a **National Day of Repentance**.
3. Attend the **KwaSizabantu Minister’s Conference** in KwaZulu Natal (every second year in early March).
4. Use **Human Rights Day** as an opportunity to campaign for the most basic right of all – the right to life of the most helpless and innocent of all – pre-born babies.
5. Observe **Good Friday** as the most solemn holiday of the year, contemplating the sacrifice of Christ that redeemed us from our sins.
6. Celebrate **Resurrection Sunday** as the most joyous holiday of the year. We serve a risen Saviour. Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life.
7. Celebrate **Ascension Day**. Forty days after Easter Sunday, Jesus ascended into Heaven. He is King of kings and Lord of lords. He has all authority in Heaven and on earth. We must therefore go and make disciples of all nations... teaching them to obey all things that the Lord has commanded.
8. Celebrate **Pentecost Sunday** (10 days after Ascension Day) – the official birthday of the Church. We need to continually go on being filled with the Holy Spirit. This is also the Global Day of Prayer.
9. Sponsor activist or missionary candidates to participate in the **Biblical Worldview Summit** and/or **Great Commission Course**, held by Frontline Fellowship in Cape Town the last week of June and first 2 weeks of July.
10. Use **National Women’s Day** (9 August) as an opportunity to campaign against the exploitative pornography industry.
11. Participate in the **Christians For Truth Conference** held early September each year at KwaSizabantu Mission in Kwa-Zulu Natal.
12. Promote **International Life Chain Sunday** (the first Sunday in October) with a prayer vigil and placard protest against abortion at a busy intersection in your city (first Sunday of October).
13. Celebrate **Reformation Day** (31 October) either by participating in the Reformation Celebration in Cape Town or by organising a special seminar, or service, at your church or school.
14. Observe the **International Day of Prayer (IDOP) for the Persecuted Church** (second Sunday in November) each year.
15. Celebrate **Christmas** as the official birthday of the King of kings. Remind family and friends that Jesus Christ is the reason for the season. Wise men still seek Him. Christmas is a great time for evangelism, reaching out to the poor and lonely, for Christ-centred Christmas cards to relatives and witnessing to strangers. Put Christ back into Xmas.

“See the trouble we are in: Jerusalem lies in ruins and its gates have been burned with fire. Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, and we will no longer be in disgrace.” Nehemiah 2:17

“If My people, who are called by My Name, will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.” 2 Chronicles 7:14

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