

# AUSTRALIAN INDEPENDENT BAPTIST NEWSLETTER

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[https://www.launchgood.com/project/home\\_for\\_orphan\\_girls#/](https://www.launchgood.com/project/home_for_orphan_girls#/) LIVE IN PARADISE WITH THE PROPHET (s.a.w)! ‘Can there be any kinder and nobler action than helping an orphan? The Messenger of Allah, may Allah bless him and grant him peace, said, *‘The best house among the Muslims is the house in which orphans are well treated. The worst house among the Muslims is the house in which orphans are ill treated. I and the guardian of the orphan will be in the Garden like that,’* holding up his two fingers together.’ ‘Whether you can donate \$5000, \$100, \$50 or even \$10, you will earn Sadaqah Jaariyah that will earn you continued blessings and rewards from Allah (swt).’ Islam is a works salvation.

[https://www.launchgood.com/project/mpacuk\\_building\\_the\\_2nd\\_phase\\_of\\_the\\_antiislamophobia\\_nerve\\_centre#/](https://www.launchgood.com/project/mpacuk_building_the_2nd_phase_of_the_antiislamophobia_nerve_centre#/) The Muslim Public Affairs Committee UK (MPACUK) ‘is a centralised place where anti-Islamophobia activity is managed and directed. Imagine these scenarios:

1. The Prime Minister calls an election. There are a number of MPs across the UK who are pro-war or have anti-Muslim stances and can be kicked out of Parliament
2. A senior politician slanders a well-known Muslim leader/activist on national TV
3. Mainstream media fails to cover a serious incident of Islamophobia, there by refusing to show the harsh reality that Muslims face



A group of media-savvy, experienced campaigners - who have been keeping a constant eye on the day’s news activate: they unleash press releases, action alerts, campaigns, **mobilising 10,000 Muslims across the UK** and take part in social media storms that would push them onto the back foot and make them accountable to us.’

<https://www.launchgood.com/project/themuslimnextdoor#/>

WHY #THEMUSLIMNEXTDOOR ‘A few months ago, CAIR Oklahoma was approached with the idea of putting together a campaign to allow opportunities for American Muslims to tell their stories with a focus on what makes them uniquely American and uniquely Muslim. This is the first effort of its kind in Oklahoma that hopes to set a precedent for a comprehensive PR campaign for American Muslims, which can be adopted by states throughout the country.



**The impact you will have as an investor is priceless. This campaign will change the perception of Muslims in America one social media post, youtube share, billboard, and forum at a time.’**

[https://www.launchgood.com/project/cage\\_on\\_the\\_path\\_of\\_the\\_prophets\\_journey\\_with\\_us#/](https://www.launchgood.com/project/cage_on_the_path_of_the_prophets_journey_with_us#/) ‘In a Trump world of Muslim Bans, families torn apart by PREVENT, ongoing mistreatment of prisoners in Guantanamo and rampant anti-Muslim sentiment, it takes not only **compassion** for the weak, the desire for **fairness** but also unflinching **courage** to continue this work.’

<https://www.onenewsnow.com/church/2017/05/31/church-hosting-heresy-falling-for-trap-liberty-counsel> ‘Northland Community Church in Orlando recently hosted the event, which was titled: "Elevating the Dialogue on LGBTQ Inclusion and Understanding of the Church." It was sponsored by The Reformation Project, founded by Mathew Vines, author of the book *God and the Gay Christian*.’

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Northland’s pastor ‘...told *Charisma News* his church hasn't wavered on the belief that marriage is between one man and one woman. But he said he invited Vines "because his organization helps churches – including churches that do not agree with him – have a conversation to increase understanding between the two normally adversarial groups."

However, Roger Gannam, assistant vice president for legal affairs for Liberty Counsel says “It's one thing to host a conversation, a panel discussion, or a debate where different sides of an issue are presented,” “But for a church to invite into its walls an organization led by a man who espouses basically heresy – something that is not biblical at all – it's very disappointing and it's very alarming.”

Also ‘According to Gannam, attendees were asked to fill out a survey regarding their personal sexual lifestyle choices and their views about LGBTQ inclusion in the church.’ Liberty Council had a link to the survey but it was soon taken down by Northland. Unfortunately, so many so-called ‘faith’ missions have created an almost non-existent position on Biblical ecclesiastical separation. For example, many New Tribes Mission missionaries are supported by many independent Baptist churches as does Northland Community Church<sup>1</sup>.

<https://calendar.northlandchurch.net/event/elevating-the-dialogue-on-lgbtq-inclusion-in-the-church> Here is the Internet invite. ‘On Thursday, May 18, at 7pm Northland, A Church Distributed, one of the largest evangelical churches in Orlando, will host a public conversation on how churches can be more inclusive and supportive of LGBTQ people in and around Orlando. This third “Elevating the Dialogue on LGBTQ inclusion and understanding in the church” comes almost a year after the Pulse nightclub shooting, the worst attack on the LGBTQ community in American history.’

‘Reverend Terri Steed Pierce, of Joy Metropolitan Church in Orlando, and Bishop Kelvin Cobaris, of The Impact Church of Orlando, will join Pastor Joel C. Hunter to discuss how Christians can work to make Orlando churches more inclusive and supportive of LGBTQ people, regardless of their churches’ theological positions on marriage and sexuality. Amelia Markham, an organizer with The Reformation Project, will moderate the discussion, and Matthew Vines will facilitate the public Q&A.’

<http://www.reformationproject.org/> ‘The Reformation Project is a Bible-based, Christian grassroots organization that works to promote inclusion of LGBT people by reforming church teaching on sexual orientation and gender identity. We envision a global church that fully affirms LGBT people.’

<http://www.reformationproject.org/must-see-videos> Two of the videos are a lecture on Romans 1 by Dr James Brownson of Western Theological Seminary, Holland, MI. Western is a seminary of the liberal Reformed Church in America.

Editor: Daily, so it seems, Islam, the LGBTQ crowd, new Evangelicalism and weak ‘new’ Fundamentalists are increasing in number. However, as Moses stated ‘Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee’ until the Lord Jesus comes in the air!



Because of Calvary,  
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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.northlandchurch.net/partners/missionaries/>