

Religious Liberty Offering Campaign

Sample Bulletin Announcements

Option A: We live in a rapidly changing legal and social environment in the United States. Our historic government protection of religious freedom has come under attack over the last few years because of these changes. Now we are faced with those long cherished religious liberty protections coming into imminent threat. The religious liberty offering will be taken next Sabbath. We encourage you to examine how important this freedom is to you. Plan now to support this offering next Sabbath.

Option B: The Adventist Church wants to send *Liberty Magazine* to every state representative, state senator, attorney, county commissioner, mayor, city commissioner, education superintendent, county official, city official, and library and media station in the Southern Union. For most of these individuals, *Liberty Magazine* is the only contact the Seventh-day Adventist Church has with them. Your offering will help to reach the goal of this special ministry as we continue to send *Liberty Magazine* to important thought leaders.

Option C: “. . . Religious liberty entails freedom of conscience; to worship or not to worship; to profess, practice and promulgate religious beliefs or to change them. In exercising these rights, however, one must respect the equivalent rights of all others” *(Declaration of Principles, *Liberty Magazine*)

We protect our own religious freedom best when we protect the religious freedom of others. A very large part of *Liberty's* mission is to reach individuals in North America who are making decisions regarding our freedoms and the rights we have to exercise them. Your support of the religious liberty offering helps to ensure that thought leaders, are reached in a very special way. We would encourage you to help sponsor as many names as possible. For every \$6 of offering received, one name can be added for a whole year's subscription to *Liberty Magazine*.

Option D: You know that your religious liberty offering goes to sponsor names for *Liberty Magazine*, but did you also know that it goes for much more? You will also be supporting religious liberty right here in your own state. A portion of the offering goes to help oversee the cost of monitoring the state legislature for bills that involve religious issues as well as assistance with Sabbath work problems. Another part of the offering is returned to the North American Division litigation fund to defend the rights of Sabbath keepers in the workplace. With an offering, that does all that and more, we know you will be generous in your support.

Option E: Did you know that Ellen White never pens the phrase “separation of church and state”? Despite this fact, she shows throughout her writings that she is in harmony with these provisions established in both the U.S. Constitution and the First Amendment. “To protect liberty of conscience is the duty of the state, and this is the limit of its authority in matters of religion.” GC Page 201. Now is your chance to help protect liberty of conscience. Please support the Religious Liberty offering this month.