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Celebrating Christ Among Us Through Our Sarasota Prayer Breakfast Since 1973



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All because of you . . .

THANK YOU from the Board of the Sarasota Prayer Breakfast

The success of this year's Sarasota Prayer Breakfast is all because of your involvement, participation and support. YOU have made a genuine difference in those attendees in Sarasota. We continue to receive good reports of how this year's prayer breakfast positively affected people. Tino Wallenda was not just another famous "circus performer" but a well-grounded-in-the-Bible speaker. Looking at a speaker on a high-wire certainly was riveting!!

We are already looking forward to next year's annual Sarasota Prayer Breakfast. We have a commitment from Dr. David Barton, founder of Wallbuilders, Inc. He is not only a Fox Contributor, but has made several appearances on the Glenn Beck Show.

I have personally witnessed and participated in his very well-known tours in Washington, D.C. of the Capitol and Congress. He is not just a Washington historian and author, but he is a tremendous communicator of our nation's history; and the founding of our nation on

biblical principles. Mark your calendar for MARCH 28, 2019!

This is our very first newsletter from the Sarasota Prayer Breakfast. In future newsletters, it is our intention to give you up-to-date information on what we are doing in our community. Yes, we are more involved than just a once-a-year breakfast!

Our purpose (and the purpose of this newsletter) is to uplift your spirits and to thank you for your support of the annual Prayer Breakfast. We know you are very busy, so please accept this newsletter as an inspiration and encouragement for remembering that PRAYER really does change things in Sarasota! The solidarity of community prayer (even in small groups) is an inspiration to all of us!

Respectfully,
Robert B. Armstrong
President of the Board

Upcoming Events

Luncheon Presentation

January 16, 2019 11:30 am – 1:30 pm
at the Carlisle Inn in Sarasota



Guest Speaker: Dr. Larry Arnn



Dr. Arnn is an American educator, writer and philanthropist. He has served as the president of Hillsdale Colleges since May 2000. Hillsdale is a liberal arts college that accepts no federal or state taxpayer subsidies for any of its operations.

Hillsdale College is an independent institution of higher learning founded in 1844 by men and women “grateful to God for the inestimable blessings” resulting from civil and religious liberty and “believing that the diffusion of learning is essential to the perpetuity of these blessings.” It pursues the stated object of the founders: “to furnish all persons who wish, irrespective of nation, color, or sex, a literary, scientific, [and] theological education” outstanding among American colleges “and to combine with this such moral and social instruction as will best develop the minds and improve the hearts of its pupils.” As a nonsectarian Christian institution, Hillsdale College maintains “by precept and example” the immemorial teachings and practices of the Christian faith.

In 2010, Hillsdale opened its Allan P. Kirby, Jr. Center for Constitutional Studies and Citizenship, which is dedicated to teaching the Constitution, the debate that brought it to life, and the principles that give it meaning. It is located across the street from The Heritage Foundation in Washington, DC.

Dr. Arnn has been a trustee of the conservative Heritage Foundation since 2002. In 2012 the Foundation offered its presidency to Arnn, who decided to stay in academe instead.

Sarasota Prayer Breakfast

March 28, 2019 08:00 am – 9:45 am
at the Hyatt Regency Sarasota



Guest Speaker: David Barton



David Barton is the Founder and President of WallBuilders, a national pro-family organization that presents America’s forgotten history and heroes, with an emphasis on our moral, religious and constitutional heritage.

WallBuilders is a name taken from the Old Testament writings of Nehemiah, who led a grassroots movement to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem and restore its strength and honor. In the same way, WallBuilders seeks to energize the grassroots today to become involved in strengthening their communities, states, and nation.

David is the author of numerous best-selling books, with the subjects being drawn largely from his massive library of tens of thousands of original writings from the Founding Era. He also addresses well over 400 groups each year.

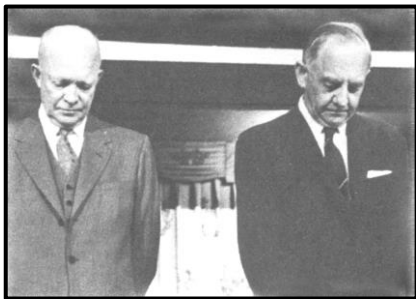
His exhaustive research has rendered him an expert in historical and constitutional issues and he serves as a consultant to state and federal legislators, has participated in several cases at the Supreme Court, was involved in the development of the History/Social Studies standards for states such as Texas and California, and has helped produce history textbooks now used in schools across the nation.

A national news organization has described him as “America’s historian,” and Time Magazine called him “a hero to millions – including some powerful politicians.” In fact, Newsmax named him as one of America’s top 100 most influential evangelicals, and Time Magazine named him as one of America’s 25.

The Sarasota Prayer Breakfast

Each year since 1973, Sarasota has held a Community Prayer Breakfast. This is an opportunity for concerned citizens to come together to seek God's guidance for our local community, our state and our nation. This community gathering meets in the spirit of Jesus of Nazareth. People of all faiths are invited to attend.

Our prayer breakfast has been fashioned after the National Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C. which began in 1952, when members of Congress invited President Dwight Eisenhower to pray with them



President Eisenhower and Senator Carlson bow in prayer at the first Presidential Prayer Breakfast in Washington, D.C.

The real beginning goes back to April 1935, in Seattle Washington, when a group of top business leaders met

in early morning sessions to discuss the crime and corruption overwhelming their city. These men realized God's help was needed and weekly prayer and discussion groups were started and are still going on.

Men from other cities learned of these meetings and informal groups were set up with key business leaders, city and county officials, from San Francisco, Chicago, Boston, Los Angeles, Philadelphia, Baltimore and many others.

Members of Congress decided to meet in a similar fashion and set a pace for our national life in order that we might be a God-directed and God-controlled nation. Prayer/discussion groups were organized by U.S. Senators and Congressmen. Weekly groups are meeting now, plus separate groups of Congressional aides, dozens of groups at the Pentagon, as well as other levels of government. They shun publicity, but meet together to hear the voice of God and fellowship together.

Governmental officials from 50 countries are now holding meetings, including 12 national prayer meetings similar to our National Prayer Breakfast. Most states hold similar annual events. 1200 breakfasts are held at military bases and ships at sea.

Stirring World-Class Speakers

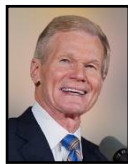
The highlight of the Sarasota prayer breakfast is a message by a guest speaker. In recent years the speakers have been U.S. Senators, U.S. Congressmen, Foreign Ambassadors, and State Representatives, many of whom have participated in the National Prayer Breakfast held annually in our nation's capital.



Jim Slattery
Congressman



Claude M. "Mick" Kicklighter,
Lt. General U.S. Army (Ret.)



Bill Nelson
Senator



Dr. Rickey Bolden Cleveland
Browns, NFL



Richard C. Halverson, D.D.
Chaplain of United States Senate

Special Moments



Tino Wallendo in 2018
giving his testimony
from the high wire.

The Founding Fathers
Prayer Breakfast 2010



It's All About Prayer



The Sarasota Prayer Breakfast is a way for us to come together in unity and fellowship to pray.

We thank God's for His many gifts to us; namely Jesus, our families, our friends and this marvelous community in which we live.

We encourage you to pray throughout the year. Pray for our leaders – that they may seek and receive God's divine guidance and blessings.

"If my people which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."

2 Chronicles 7: 14 KJV

"Pray without ceasing."

1 Thessalonians 5:16 KJV

"It is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favors."

George Washington

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful."

Isaiah 54:13 NKJV

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer."

Romans 12:12 NKJV

"If you believe in prayer at all, expect God to hear you. If you do not expect, you will not have. God will not hear you unless you believe He will hear you; but if you believe He will, He will be as good as your faith."

Charles Spurgeon

National Prayer Breakfast

The National prayer breakfast is a yearly event held in Washington, D.C., on the first Thursday of February each year. It is typically attended by some 3,500 guests, including international invitees from over 100 countries. The event—which is actually a series of meetings, luncheons, and dinners—has taken place since 1953.

Initially called the Presidential Prayer Breakfast, the name was changed in 1970 to the National Prayer Breakfast. It is designed to be a forum for the political, social, and business elite to assemble and build relationships. Every U.S. president since Dwight D. Eisenhower has participated in the annual event.

The National prayer breakfast is hosted by member of the US Congress; however the planning and organizing is done by the International Foundation.

Our Sarasota prayer breakfast has been patterned after the National prayer breakfast. Over the years we have established a working relationship with the International Foundation in Washington, D.C. They often help us obtain a keynote speaker of national prominence.

There are representatives from the International Foundation in every state in the U.S. Admission to the National prayer breakfast is by invitation only. Each state has an annual quota of people who may attend. These arrangements are made through the International Foundation.

Getting Invited

If you are interested in attending the National prayer breakfast, please let us know and we will contact the International Foundation through our state representative.

Thank you for reading our newsletter. We would like to hear from you. Please e-mail your comments and suggestions to:

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