



## *Getting Your Church Fully Registered – and Voting!*

1. **Review the Do's and Don'ts page** on the Restore America Website. [www.restoreamerica.org](http://www.restoreamerica.org)
2. **As you plan the non-partisan voter registration campaign and announcements, note well that the Voter Registration Deadline for** the May 15 Oregon Primary is **April 24<sup>th</sup>**. For the November 6<sup>th</sup> General Election it is **October 16<sup>th</sup>**.
3. **Collect Voter Registration Cards** from your county elections division office.
4. **Order Christian Voter Guides** from Oregon Family Council through this link <https://www.oregonfamilycouncil.org/downloads/christian-voters-guide/> or call them at 503-257-0444
5. **Call your congregation in early April and again in September to fulfill their citizenship responsibility to VOTE** in both the May Primary and November General Election. You are welcome to use relevant scripture, slides, and quotes from the Restore America website.
6. **Hold the pre-announced non-partisan voter registration drive** three consecutive Sundays from April 8<sup>th</sup> through April 22<sup>nd</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup> through October 14<sup>th</sup>. Call for 100% registration of all eligible residents, each Sunday.
7. **Place announcements** in the Church bulletin and other communication tools starting in March and again in September to prepare your members for the Voter Registration Drive. Use scripture, quotes and other helpful information found on this site.
8. Announce the Statewide **Operation Oregon Value Your Vote, Vote Your Values** voter registration and turnout campaign, stressing the importance of America as a self-governing nation. Emphasize the importance of the Christian Vote and voting their values as followers of Christ. State from the pulpit your goal that every voter eligible adult be a VOTING CITIZEN, and why.
9. **Have a voter Registration table in the foyer of the church** for the drive with plenty of voter registration cards. Call attention to the table and voter registration deadline each Sunday from the pulpit. Have a couple or group at the table (tables if a large church) immediately **after each church service** to answer questions and collect the cards (if they wish) to take to the County Elections Division no later than the day of the deadline.

- 10.**Download the excellent **Family Research Council** Comparison of the Democrat and Republican Party Platforms from the Restore America Homepage, and make at least one copy for the Voter Registration Table for those wishing to know what the parties stand for and how they are different.
- 11.****Have voter registration cards at the church office year round, and in abundance** from the time of the first announcement, and thereafter. It is best to collect the cards as they sign them, either at the sign up tables on Sunday, or at the church office during the week and offer to take the cards to the county elections division as a service to your members before the deadlines.
- 12.****Ensure your congregation understands the importance of self governance**, to the church, your community, and the future of the State of Oregon as well as the nation, using the Scriptures and Quotes found on the site. You might refer them to Galatians 5, emphasizing that one of the gifts of the Spirit is temperance/self control/self government, a freedom our Founders won for us at a very heavy price of life, limb, family and property. You may wish to use/revolve several of the PowerPoint slides found at this site prior to the service(s) from Sunday to Sunday.
- 13.** **Place Christian Voter Guides in the foyer of the church and at the church office** as soon as they are received and call attention to their availability from the pulpit and in the church bulletin. Encourage your congregation to pick them up, take them home, and review them before they fill out their ballots, whether they vote absentee or take them to the voting booth.
- 14.** **Call for 100% participation in both Elections** from the pulpit and in the bulletin—for at least two Sundays prior to the reception of their mail in ballots for the May Primary and again in late October for the November General Election.

