

MAY 2020

*“I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you,
even as your soul is getting along well.” 3 John 1:2*

Dear Friends,

We pray that you and your family are safe and healthy. But no matter what you are experiencing, be mindful that God is always with you. He shall never leave us or forsake us (Hebrews 13:5). So many of us around the world are now into weeks of our social isolation due to this Coronavirus. University students and advocates globally are of course spending a lot of their time on social media and online. Strangely, even something as harmful as Covid-19 has some silver linings.

Great Opportunities for Advocates International

The virus has created extra opportunities for global online learning. This is no less true for important basic studies in Christian worldview, which Advocates International is seeking to instill in the next generation of students and advocates around the globe. It's so important that students and advocates gain a Christian perspective in subjects such as law, justice, rights, government, and on vital social issues, so they can develop a strong biblical foundation for serving Christ through justice.

Advocates International is seeking to make the most of this opportunity by supplementing and updating its Online Resource Center, (AI's Institute of Christian Legal Studies, ICLS). We are contacting Christian attorneys and legal educators across the globe to equip them in Christian Worldview to improve their legal and justice systems, and to encourage them in serving Christ.

Training For University Leaders

As an example of the eagerness of young people to learn about what the Bible says on law and government, AI's ICLS Director, Patrick Talbot recently spoke to university student leaders from campuses across Indonesia on the topic, “CHRISTIAN WORLDVIEW ON SOCIAL ISSUES TO TRANSFORM A NATION.” What an awesome privilege it was to serve with great Christian leaders in government and missions.



The Story of Haris and the Impact of Christian Content Online

After growing up in a Muslim home, and feeling skeptical about his Islamic upbringing, Haris decided several years ago to become an atheist. During his university years, he continued to research other religions online (Hinduism, Buddhism, Christianity and many others). After considering several religions, the evidence of Christianity far outweighed any others in his mind.

After reading many articles and information online, Haris eventually prayed to receive Jesus on his own. Haris currently wants to study law and do justice. He is hungry to learn more about the Bible and how it relates to law. Haris is currently involved in a discipleship group studying Advocates International's new resource *Improving Justice on the Earth: A Biblical Worldview on Law, Justice and Government*.

Help AI Reach University Students Globally Today: Invest In Our Online Resource Center, The "AI Institute Of Christian Legal Studies."

Thanks to your financial partnership and prayer, Advocates is developing greater resources and online content to reach students, attorneys, and the next generation of advocates in the 135+ nations AI serves. **Now more than ever before, Advocates International needs to connect with and equip students and advocates online, especially using digital media.**

With millions of university students around the world spending most of their time online, and with so many of them searching for truth and seeking to do justice, **this could be Advocates International's "finest hour."** Specifically, we need project funding for web design, graphic design and social media to supplement and update the Institute of Christian Legal Studies to reach the 135+ nations AI serves.

Thank you again for your partnership and may God bless you and your family during this time of Covid-19.

Grace and Peace from Southeast Asia,

Patrick and Kathy Talbot

Finally, it is such a blessing to have the Talbots on our team, still based in Indonesia. Although we are still in the midst of the COVID-19 situation, and cannot be certain of what effect it may have on our budget in 2020, we know that God will provide, and we greatly appreciate your prayers and continuing financial support.

May the Lord bless and keep you in His perfect . . .

Grace and Peace,

Brent M. McBurney
President & CEO



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