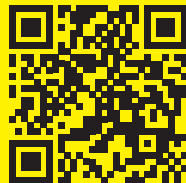


# Evangelicals List Top Threats, Most Urgent Concerns, in D. James Kennedy Ministries Survey



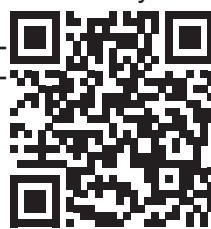
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**FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla., April 27, 2023 / Christian Newswire/** -- By large margins, those answering an informal survey sent in January to friends and supporters of the Christian media outreach, D. James Kennedy Ministries (DJKM), listed China (97%), open borders (96%), and socialism (95%) as the top threats facing America today. Asked to choose the three most critical issues facing Congress and the Biden administration, those answering DJKM's Spiritual and Constitutional State of the Nation Survey named religious freedom (24%), abortion (23%), and national security/immigration (21%) as their chief concerns. While not a scientific snapshot of the American populace, the survey offers a rough gauge of evangelical attitudes on key moral and social concerns. It is conducted annually to help elected officials and journalists

better understand the views held by Christian social conservatives. Fully 100% of those responding said they oppose taxpayer-funded abortion. Similarly, 99% reject President Biden's initiative to codify Roe v. Wade into law, which would legalize abortion until birth. Other notable results include:  
 ▶ 97% reject open borders as an immigration solution  
 ▶ 97% want schools to teach the history of socialism's damaging impact on the world  
 ▶ 99% support protecting the public display of the Ten Commandments or the Cross  
 ▶ 96% support the right of self-defense using firearms  
 ▶ 99% reject "sex education that features transgender exploration and surgery"  
 ▶ 99% think parents should be free to speak to school boards without fear of the FBI

The survey also revealed striking distrust of elected officials. A mere 1% trust President Biden. Just 6% said they trust their local school board officials; 7% trust their Congressional representatives. In contrast, 66% trust their pastors. Complete results from the 23-question survey are being sent to members of Congress, as well as President Biden, his Cabinet, and key media. Survey results are available at [www.DJKM.org/2023Survey](http://www.DJKM.org/2023Survey). D. James Kennedy Ministries is a media ministry whose television program, "Truths That Transform," airs nationwide. It actively communicates the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the supremacy of His Lordship, and a Biblically informed view of the world.



# Florida LGBTQ Parade Canceled After Law Protecting Children Passed



By Liberty Counsel



**City officials in Port. St. Lucie, Florida,** has canceled an LGBTQ parade and moved to restrict associated events to people 21 years and older after the state legislature passed the "Protection of Children Act," which protects children from attending "adult live performances" such as drag show events. According to the bill, state officials would be allowed to "fine, suspend or revoke licenses" of any public lodging or food service establishment if they admit a child to an adult live performance.



The Florida House of Representatives, which passed the bill 82-31, sent it to Governor Ron DeSantis last Wednesday, and he is expected to sign it into law. The bill defines "adult live performance" as "Any show, exhibition, or other presentation in front of a live audience which, in whole or in part, depicts or simulates nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, or specific sexual activities ... lewd conduct ... when ... taken as a whole, is without serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value for the age of the child present." Alleging children were present during "lewd" displays, Governor DeSantis has already moved to suspend the liquor license of a Miami hotel that hosted a drag show. The Florida legislature has passed several other measures aimed at protecting children from harmful gender ideology. The House also voted

82-31 to pass SB 254, which makes it a felony criminal offense to provide puberty blockers, hormone therapy, and genital mutilation surgeries to minors. The bill grants the state "temporary emergency jurisdiction" over a child if the child has been subjected to or threatened with sex-reassignment prescriptions or procedures. The bill codifies into law rules already approved and put into effect by Florida's Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine, which stated these procedures "run an unacceptably high risk of doing harm" to children. Also, this week, the Florida Board of Education expanded the "Parental Rights in Education" bill, which has been in effect since July 2, 2022. The law has been expanded to prohibit classroom instruction about sexual orientation and gender identity to include all grades, instead of just kindergarten through third. School districts are also required to no-

tify parents of any health care services offered at their schools and provide an option to withhold consent to any services. Schools also need parental consent before giving students kindergarten to third grade health screenings or well-being questionnaires. The bill also allows parents to sue school districts if the policy that gives decision-making power back to the parents over their children's education is violated. Liberty Counsel Founder and Chairman Mat Staver said, "Children should not be groomed, exposed to indecent behavior, or sexually exploited. Florida's legislature, Board of Medicine, and Board of Education have undertaken measures to protect children being exposed to lewd, indecent, and sexually provocative displays." Visit: [www.lc.org](http://www.lc.org)



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**CHAMPAIGN, Ill., April 12, 2023 /Christian Newswire/** -- Mission Match®, a project of empty tomb®, inc., has matching funds available. A church congregation can apply for matching contributions for their new or expanded medical mission projects. The matching contributions are available for projects to be done in one of the 40 Jesus' name in one of 40 countries. These 40 countries were behind the curve in reducing the rate of under-age-5 child deaths as of 2015. The church's project can help provide medical

workers, a medical facility's special need, or supplies to address child survival. The church can apply for a matching contribution in amounts from \$500 up to \$3,000, in \$500 increments. A review of denominational Web sites found examples of medical mission needs in some of the 40 countries. Such needs included: a portable ultrasound machine; malaria nets to be combined with church planting; and building a maternity wing on a hospital in an area devastated by civil war.

The list of 40 countries is available on [mission-match.org](http://mission-match.org) on the 40 Countries page. Churches can find the Application at [mission-match.org](http://mission-match.org) on the Church Application page. Once the application is accepted, the church will have 90 days to have one or more special offerings to raise the money to be matched. It's important that everyone in the congregation has an opportunity to contribute. When at least the amount of money in the application is raised,

Mission Match sends a check to the church for the matching contribution amount requested on the application. The church then sends the combined amount to the denominational office or nonprofit doing the actual outreach. More information is at [mission-match.org](http://mission-match.org)



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