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Dear Pastor,

I would like to invite you, along with your spouse, staff members and others of the congregation you serve to participate in the upcoming 2010 Capitol Commission "Pastors' Commission at the Capitol" event on Tuesday, February 16. You will be joining pastors from throughout the state of Missouri in this event designed to equip and motivate congregations to better minister the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our government leaders.

It is quite easy to demonize those in government leadership; especially those who do not hold the same values. We see their names and pictures, hear their statements on television or the radio and we become disgusted with the image. Therefore, instead of seeing these images as fellow human beings, we see them as objects of our scorn.

The truth is these leaders in the media spotlight are people who struggle with everyday issues like each one of us. And beyond that, they are also people who are in a desperate condition that only the message of the gospel can remedy—they are in need of a Savior who forgives sin and reconciles their relationship with their Father in Heaven.

The proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ is the church's mandate. The pleading call to be reconciled to God through the cross is the desperate need of the hour and is required not only in the streets, but also in the halls of power. As our churches look to make disciples of all nations, we must not forget our leaders, in Jefferson City or Washington, D.C. (1 Tim. 2:1-4).

Therefore, we invite and encourage you to join us for a day of fellowship, prayer, and challenge at the capitol in Jefferson City on **February 16**. During our time together you will be given the opportunity to meet and pray with many of our legislators. If you do not know your state representative or senator, this will be an excellent occasion in which to meet and pray with him or her.

Our keynote speaker will be the president of Capitol Commission, Jim Young of North Carolina. Jim has been serving the North Carolina capitol with Bible studies and evangelism for 10 years and has been involved with various other ministries for over 30 years.

Again, please make it a priority to join us in reaching our government leaders with the Gospel by joining us for this strategically important outreach event—**Pastor's Commission at the Capitol on Tuesday, February 16, 2010**.

Respectfully,

Paul Meinsen
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P.S. See the enclosed documents for schedule and registration information.