

WHAT CRITICS AND FRIENDS ARE SAYING ABOUT US...

“The World Congress of Families has brought together the leadership of an increasingly trenchant and powerful wing of the international pro-family movement. The Mexico City Congress was teeming with crowds that reflected the organization’s growing luster.”

Ms. Magazine

“In the final days of the 20th century, a remarkable conference took place in Geneva, Switzerland... World Congress of Families II, [which] brought together conservative religious activists representing the three monotheistic faiths from around the world... [and is part of] an unfolding effort to build a global alliance of orthodox faiths to counter the perceived liberal dominance of the international legal and political arena.”

Doris Buss and Didi Herman, *Globalizing Family Values: The Christian Right In International Politics*

“Groups [opposed to our agenda] continue to claim that marriage benefits individuals, children and society... Arguably the most prominent international meeting of opposition forces is the World Congress of Families, held in 1997, 1999, and 2004.”

Sexual Information and Education Council of the United States (SIECUS)

“[The WCF has] now set up an international operation with the ability to combat the forces of darkness wherever they show themselves in whatever part of the world.”

Paul Weyrich, *President of The Free Congress Foundation*

WORLD CONGRESS OF FAMILIES

A Short History

The World Congress of Families (WCF) was founded in 1997 by Dr. Allan Carlson (President of The Howard Center) when the first Congress took place in Prague. In 1999, WCF II convened in Geneva. It was three times as large as the Prague Conference. Mexico City was the site of WCF III (March 2004). Over 3,300 delegates from more than 60 nations attended this historic event.

Why Warsaw in 2007?

On family and population issues, Europe is the battlefield and Poland is pivotal. Through demographic winter and an entrenched, militant secularism, Europe is almost lost. If Europe goes, the impact on the family internationally will be devastating. Having braved two ideological onslaughts in the 20th century – yet maintaining their faith, family and traditions – the people of Poland can point the way to a family renaissance across the continent. The Warsaw conference is locally sponsored by the Forum of Polish Women, The Polish Federation of Pro-Life Movements and other Polish pro-family groups. U.S. co-sponsors include: Catholic Family & Human Rights Institute, Concerned Women for America, Family Research Council and Focus on the Family.

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Conference of Pro-Family
Leaders and Grass Roots
Activists**



WCF Founder Allan Carlson Presents His Book "The American Way" to the Polish Prime Minister's Chief of Staff, Mariusz Blaszczak



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Speeches And Breakout Sessions At WCF IV

- Gender Rights or Family Rights as the Future of Democracy?
- Peace is Born in the Family
- Demographic Winter – The New Population Crisis
- The Family – A Sanctuary of Love and Life
- The Family Home – The Center of Upbringing and Education
- The Family – Seedbed of National Renewal
- Building a Pro-Family Tax Policy
- The Mother in the Home and the New Home Economics
- Property and Family Strength
- Family Enterprises and Family Independence
- The Effects of Marital Fidelity and Harmony on the Family
- Modern Woman and the Challenge of Motherhood
- Modern Man and the Challenge of Fatherhood
- What's Wrong with Cohabitation?
- The Harm of "Same-Sex Marriage"
- Media and The Natural Family – Threats and Opportunities
- The Impact of Pornography on the Family and Family Size

Speakers at Past World Congresses Included: Martha Fox (*First Lady of Mexico*), Cardinal Alfonso Lopez Trujillo (*Head of the Pontifical Council for the Family*), Professor Anatoli Antonov (*Moscow Lomonosov University, Russia*), Francisco Tatad (*former Majority Leader, Philippine Senate*), Maria Morfaw (*President, Village Women's Organization, Cameroon*), Babette Francis (*Endeavor Forum, Australia*), Gwendolyn Landolt (*REAL Women of Canada*), Akira Morita (*Professor of Law, University of Tokyo*), Margaret Ogola, M.D. (*Medical Director, Cottolenga Hospice, Kenya*), Madame Jehan Sadat (*widow of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat*), Max Padilla (*former Minister for the Family, Nicaragua*), Paige Patterson (*Former President, Southern Baptist Convention*), Rocco Buttiglione (*Italian Minister of European Affairs*), Madame Christine de Vollmer (*Latin-American Alliance for The Family*), Professor Gary Becker (*Nobel Prize Winner in Economics*), Valdimir Palko (*Minister of Interior, Slovakia*) and Ellen Sauerbrey (*U.S. Ambassador to the UN*).

The World Congress of Families fosters an international network of organizations, scholars and leaders that seek to restore the natural family as the fundamental social unit and seedbed of a civil society.

Our Goals

To shift the terms of public policy debate:

- From "The family as an obstacle to development" to "The family as the source of social renewal and progress."
- From "overpopulation" to "under-population" as the demographic challenge of the 21st century.
- From "The small family and voluntary childlessness as good" to "The celebration of the large family as a special social gift."
- And from religious orthodoxy as a "threat to progress" to "religious orthodoxy as the source of humane values and cultural progress."

Register for World Congress of Families IV Warsaw, Poland, May 11-13, 2007

- Enclosed is my individual registration fee of \$175 for WCF IV
- Enclosed is my family (married couple) registration fee of \$300 for WCF IV
- Enclosed is my student/youth registration fee of \$60 for WCF IV
- Enclosed is my donation to help a young person attend the Congress (For a contribution of \$35 or more, you'll receive a one-year subscription to "The Family In America" and a copy of the monograph "The Natural Family: A Manifesto")
- My organization is interested in becoming a co-sponsor of WCF IV; please send information

Name _____

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- I am interested in volunteering.
- Here's my additional gift of _____.
- VISA or MASTERCARD

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