



Modern Families, Traditional Values

World Congress of Families V

Amsterdam,
The Netherlands
August 10-12, 2009



**The World's Largest
Conference of Pro-
Family Leaders and
Grass-Roots Activists**



WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT WORLD CONGRESS OF FAMILIES

"By becoming a Partner of the World Congress of Families, we are acknowledging and supporting its great work in uniting us all in the most formidable challenge of the 21st. century – to protect and promote the natural family."
Gwen Landolt, REAL Women of Canada.

"I am particularly grateful to WCF for its willingness to tackle the hard and controversial issues of the day and to be a force of solidarity among organizations and individuals that share the same passion for defending the family."
Fr. Thomas J. Euteneuer, Human Life International.

"It is important that conservatives all over the world remain united in defense of

the non-negotiable principles of life and family values. In this common fight, the World Congress of Families plays a crucial role."
Silvio Dalla Valle, In Defense of Christian Values.

"If you miss the World Congress of Families, you will miss the cutting edge on how to take the family back from the social radicals."
Austin Ruse, Catholic Family and Human Rights Institute.

"The World Congress of Families is the only organization successfully addressing the importance of the natural family in an international setting."
Dorothy Patterson, professor of theology in women's studies and first lady at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Amsterdam 2009

World Congress of Families V will be held at the RAI Centre in Amsterdam, August 10-12, 2009. Amsterdam is a popular tourist destination and a European media nexus. The Local Organizing Committee reflects the vibrancy of the budding Dutch pro-family movement.

Amsterdam was chosen as the site for WCF V by the 17-member International Selection Committee. It was in competition with Abuja (Nigeria), Riga (Latvia), Moscow (Russia) and Santa Cruz (Bolivia) which vied for the honor of hosting the 5th World Congress of Families.



World Congress of Families

– A Short History

The World Congress of Families (WCF) was founded in 1997 by Dr. Allan C. Carlson (WCF International Secretary). There have been four Congresses to date – WCF I (Prague, 1997), WCF II (Geneva, 1999), WCF III (Mexico City, 2004) and WCF IV (Warsaw, 2007). The Warsaw Congress included more than 3,600 pro-family scholars, parliamentarians, leaders and activists from 62 nations.



WCF V – Selection Committee

World Congress of Families Partners

The most prominent pro-family organizations in the United States are allied with World Congress of Families. WCF Partners are helping us to build a truly international pro-family movement.

They include:

Alliance Defense Fund	Fellowship of St James
Alliance for the Family	Focus On The Family
American Family Association	GrasstopsUSA
American Values	His Servants
Associazione per La Difesa Dei Valori (In Defense of Christian Values, Italy)	Home School Legal Defense Association
Catholic Family & Human Rights Institute	Human Life International
Concerned Women for America	Media Research Center
Doha International Institute For Family Studies And Development	REAL Women of Canada
Ethics and Public Policy Center	Red Familia (The Family Network, Mexico)
Family Research Council	Religious Freedom Coalition
	Tradition, Family And Property
	United Families International
	Watchmen On The Walls.



FROM DECLARATIONS OF PAST CONGRESSES

“The natural family is the fundamental social unit, inscribed in human nature and centered on the union of a man and a woman in the lifelong covenant of marriage.” *From The 2004 Mexico City Declaration (WCF III).*

“We declare that the family is the most important of all social units and holds primacy above all governments, institutions, the United Nations and other communities and that political theories and systems which place governments, their officials, institutions or other communities in a position of supremacy over the family are condemned and opposed.” *From The 1997 Prague Declaration (WCF I).*

“Marriage, the cornerstone of healthy family life, brings security, contentment, meaning, joy and spiritual maturity to the man and woman who enter this lifelong covenant with unselfish commitment.” *From The Mexico City Declaration.*

“We call on them (*governments*) to protect every human being from conception to natural death, to stress the upbringing of children as the fundamental right of parents, to protect young people against demoralization and to promote economic solutions that provide dignified living conditions to all families.” *From The 2007 Warsaw Declaration (WCF IV).*

“Sexuality is ordered for the procreation of children and the expression of love between husband and wife in the covenant of marriage. Marriage between a man and a woman forms the sole moral context for the natural sexual union. Whether through pornography, promiscuity, incest or homosexuality, deviations from these created sexual norms cannot truly satisfy the human spirit.” *From The 1999 Geneva Declaration (WCF II).*

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