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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 51 DELEGATION

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

May 29, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

We send this letter with much thanksgiving to Almighty God! He has blessed us by moving the hearts of our colleagues in the Legislature to establish July as a month of prayer and fasting in our State annually. Governor Lee signed HJR51 into law on May 2, 2025. To the Name of Jesus be all the honor and glory for the victory He has given us. This could not have happened, we are convinced, without a sovereign move of God.

House Joint Resolution 51, like HJR 803 last year, sets aside the month of July as a time for those who are spiritually inclined and physically able to join solemn assemblies across Tennessee in a posture of repentance before the Lord, seeking the healing of our sin-sick land. We face issues that legislation cannot solve and issues that budgeted dollars cannot remedy. The bondages of addiction, drunkenness, debt, pornography, sexual immorality, and government corruption attack our traditional values, while diminishing our liberty before the Lord. Only a move of Almighty God can rescue us from this path.

Last year, Monty coordinated these solemn assemblies with folks in all 95 counties. He believed that God could use him in this effort as he sought to honor God. These gatherings, ranging in size from just a handful of folks to hundreds of people, were each unique and reflected the community in which they were held. In many, Christians fell to their knees in worship and repentance. Every one was beautiful.

This year, volunteers from across the state will be coordinating this effort. Information about and a schedule of events can be found at: www.pray4tn.us

We trust that the Lord Almighty is about to do an even greater work in our State, releasing those in bondage, giving sight to those who are blind, and liberating those who are oppressed. Let us model for those who are not called by His Name a better way to bring about the positive changes we so desperately need. How do we do this?

- On Sunday, June 29, read or have HJR51 read in our church services
- Participate in the solemn assemblies in your area to:
 - Examine our lives in light of God's Word and confess of our sins
 - Acknowledge that we, as the Church, have failed to stand for the principles of God, ask for His Forgiveness and Mercy, and commit to stand firmly on those principles going forward

Let us take our State back from the powers of darkness that seek to destroy us. Let us do this together by preparing our bodies and minds through fasting. Let us diligently seek Him in prayer. Let us turn from sin. And, let us come together in unity to celebrate His promise.

In humble sincerity,

Handwritten signature of Mark A. Pody in black ink.

Handwritten signature of Monty Fritts in blue ink.