

# SPIRITUAL WARFARE

Good VS Evil

Spiritual Ignorance is the biggest problem in  
America!

**Our families and children are under attack!**



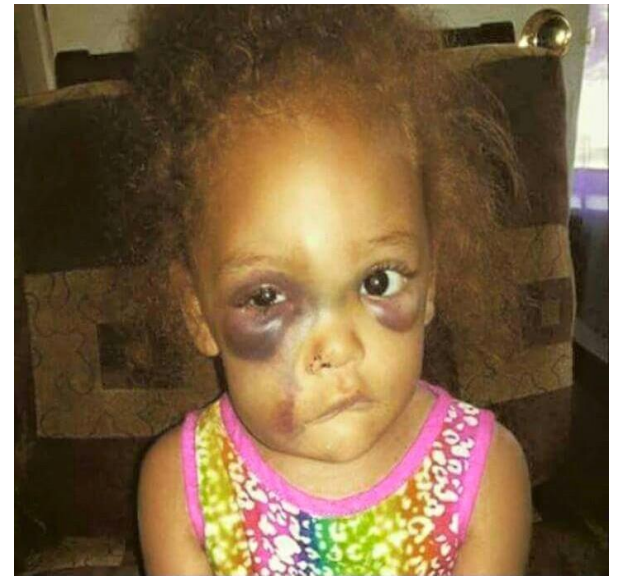
# Child Abuse/Neglect in America

6.6 million children referred to Child Protective Services annually

80% of 21 year olds that experienced child abuse met the criteria for at least one psychological disorder.

Estimated 1580 children die each year

Cost of Child Abuse and Neglect:  
**\$220 million every day**



# Adverse Childhood Experiences ACEs

**Only 4 in 10 children are flourishing in US!**

- \* ACEs includes 16 childhood traumas, from abuse to neglect, bullying, domestic violence and parental separation.
- \* Affects health: Stress – Learning – Relationships
- \* Increases risk – drugs – pregnancy – depression
- \* Child in survival mode – Self-Protection, no tools
- \* **Good News:** Resilience brings back health & hope



# Gun Violence in America

## 350 million Guns in circulation

- \* There are roughly 40,000 deaths a year. Highest in 50 yrs.
- \* Most Suicides – 21% Increase from 2006 to 2016
- \* 2016 - Violent crime increased 6.1% in cities over 250,000 - 2.2% increase in suburbs
- \* 400,000 guns stolen each year
- \* 30 mass shooting in schools in 2018



Victim of a stray bullet

**More laws and more police ALONE will NOT stop gun violence!  
We must STRENGTHEN FAMILIES!**

# Child Sex Trafficking in US

- \* Cost to taxpayers, \$32 billion a year in human trafficking
- \* Average age of a trafficked child, 13 years old
- \* 1.5 million victims in US
- \* 80% are imprisoned in the underground sex industry
- \* Average life span of a victim reported to be 7 years



# Youth Gangs in America

- \* In 2015, there are over a million juvenile youth gangs
- \* Largest age group of participants, age 14
- \* Cost of youth gang violence, \$200,000,000,000 (billion)



**GANGS, GUNS AND VIOLENCE:** Kids in crisis! Many youth do not know how to grow from their inner spirit (courage, character and conscience) to stay “Spiritually Centered.”

# Youth Suicide in America

- \* Second leading cause of death, age 10 to 19
- \* LGBTQ children are 4 times more likely to attempt suicide than other young people
- \* Average yearly cost to taxpayers \$69,000,000,000 (billion)



# Juvenile Incarceration

- \* Decreased by 50% over last 15 years.  
Mostly alternative programs **after** a child gets into trouble
- \* 20% of youth in juvenile facilities are awaiting 1<sup>st</sup> hearing.
- \* Juveniles in adult prisons, 60% Black - 19% White





# Police and big government cannot keep children safe and healthy!

They react to crime! Connected citizens can prevent crime, violence and other destructive behaviors!

The Faith Community can revitalize religious attendance by offering neighborhood support!

Faith leaders can appoint a group to assist neighborhood families! Not to proselytize but to help neighbors connect with each other.

People of faith can take a leadership role and restore the heart of community and set the example of, **“Love thy Neighbor.”**

**How many many churches in your city?**



# PREVENTION: Strengthen family support.

## “ LOVE THY NEIGHBOR ”

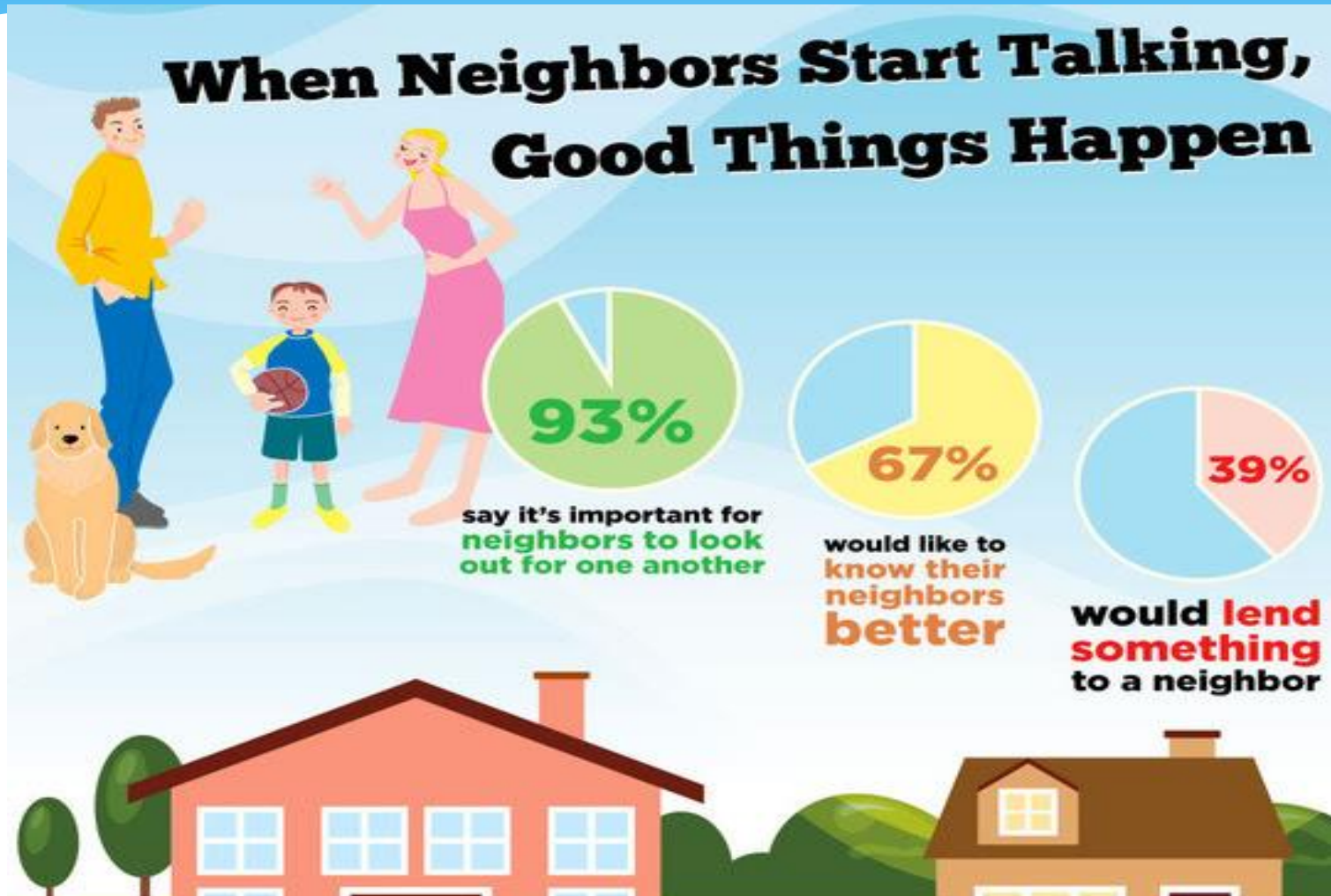
- \* The Faith Community can restore America’s power, block by block
- \* Families need neighbor support to reduce racism, anger toward police and raise resilient children, “It takes a village.”
- \* Together neighbors can stop social isolation that lead to violence, drug abuse, domestic violence, child abuse and other destructive behaviors.
- \* Peacemakers can help neighbors connect to build trust and become a network of support around children.

# The Faith Community can address spiritual warfare when Christian soldiers march into our neighborhoods!

- \* When people of Faith help neighbors create safer neighborhood, people will return to the church.
- \* Families will see the power of God's LOVE.
- \* "We the people" will grow spiritually stronger by helping others.
- \* Americans will no longer see government as the savior as the Faith Community takes back their power.
- \* The church will thrive when we follow Christ's teachings.

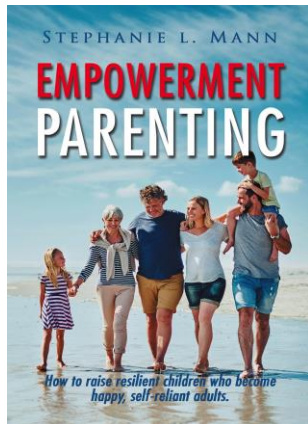


# Love conquers all!



# Resources Available

**The Faith Community accepting all people can demonstrate the heart and soul of America!**



- Empowerment Parenting: How to raise resilient children who become happy, self-reliant adults.

- The Adopt-A-Block Guidebook
- My first steps to a safe Neighborhood
- Safe Neighborhoods binder for City Leaders

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