

Oregon Faith and Freedom's Plan to win Oregon by Getting Out the Christian Vote.

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Preface

Most people think that Oregon is lost. There is no hope and no way to win. This is far from the truth. Several points argue against this:

- **The registration of Oregon is not 65% Democrat to 35% Republican.** It is actually 40% Unaffiliated, 35% Democrat registration, and 25% Republican.
- The difference between the Oregon House of Representatives being controlled by Democrats, in the last legislative session, or being split evenly **between Democrats and Republicans is only 4095 votes spread across five house districts.**
- Oregon Congressional District went to a Republican in the 2022 Elections. Republicans have 2 of the now 6 districts.
- Oregon Republican Gubernatorial candidates always receive 43% of the vote whether they spend \$2 million on a campaign or \$22 million. This uncovers a problem of approach. However, the difference has been as little as 22,000 votes but generally is about 80,000 to 120,000 votes. The closest effort took place during an election where a concentrated effort was made to use legal ballot harvesting practices.
- Oregon Democrats approach elections with a different approach as has been discussed in Oregonfaithandfreedom.org/newletters.
- Many conservatives are discouraged about our elections, believing that what we have experienced is cheating with various tools. While that may have been the case in the past, I don't believe they have needed to cheat for some time, as their methodology of voter identification, list building for those they want to get out to vote, and their "Ground and Pound" method of getting their voters out to vote is far superior to the conservatives' methodology (conservatives in Oregon do not have a methodology – the progressives have a machine and conservatives' have none). I believe there was cheating in the 2020 elections in some of the new states that

implemented vote-by-mail. A national effort, lead by Mike Lindell, is being pursued to supply devices to election offices to rule out the possibility of machines being contacted by outside sources, and this effort should be supported.

More can be read on the topic of the winnability of Oregon and why we have suffered under progressive control at

www.oregonfaithandfreedom.org/newsletters and www.actionsolutions.net/newsletter.

Oregon is very winnable. There are two major issues that have kept Oregon progressives in control of the government. First, **too many Christians are not voting in elections.** Second, **Oregon** Republicans lack enough voters to win. Why do I focus on Republicans? The Republican Party has the closest platform to what Christians believe. From support for life, an understanding that God created life, God decided on your gender, and support for Israel, most Christians, if they understand the consequences, should be voting and voting Republican. Sadly, many Christians don't understand that registration is important to getting the information you need to vote, and voting. Some find themselves registered as members of the Independent Party, thinking "I am an Independent voter" and don't understand that this is, in fact, a Party in Oregon and that it is, in fact, a liberal party. This was revealed during a recent recall election of the conservative members of the Newberg School Board, where the Independent Party came out in favor of the recall. Other Christians want to disassociate themselves from all parties and register as Unaffiliated. The Unaffiliated voter tends not to vote as this registration group only votes at less than 50%. One reason may be that no one knows what might make them vote and what their values might be that might cause them to vote. The best thing for a voter to do is think about their values and find the party that most closely aligns with those values.

Many people just want to be left alone. However, as our country is moving toward totalitarian communism these people should realize that this government will not leave anyone alone but will impose itself upon every citizen. This is particularly frightening when you realize how much various social media concerns know about almost every individual in what might be called a society of surveillance capitalism.

Now, back to getting the Church to vote as a problem appropriate for Oregon Faith and Freedom to solve.

Oregon Faith and Freedom's plan to change Oregon.

Oregon Faith and Freedom's (OFF) chief goal is to get every person of voting age, with a Judeo-Christian world view to understand the issues around voting, understand the reason for voting to protect their worldview and to get them to vote. A recent Barna survey found that although 94 percent of Christians are registered to vote, only 22 percent are consistent voters. (site poll)

How can we get all Christians to vote? How many Christians are there and how can we communicate with them the importance of voting, the reality of its impact on them and the world, and the fact that voting wisely is a safe way to preserve their worldview.

Demographic information shows us the following:

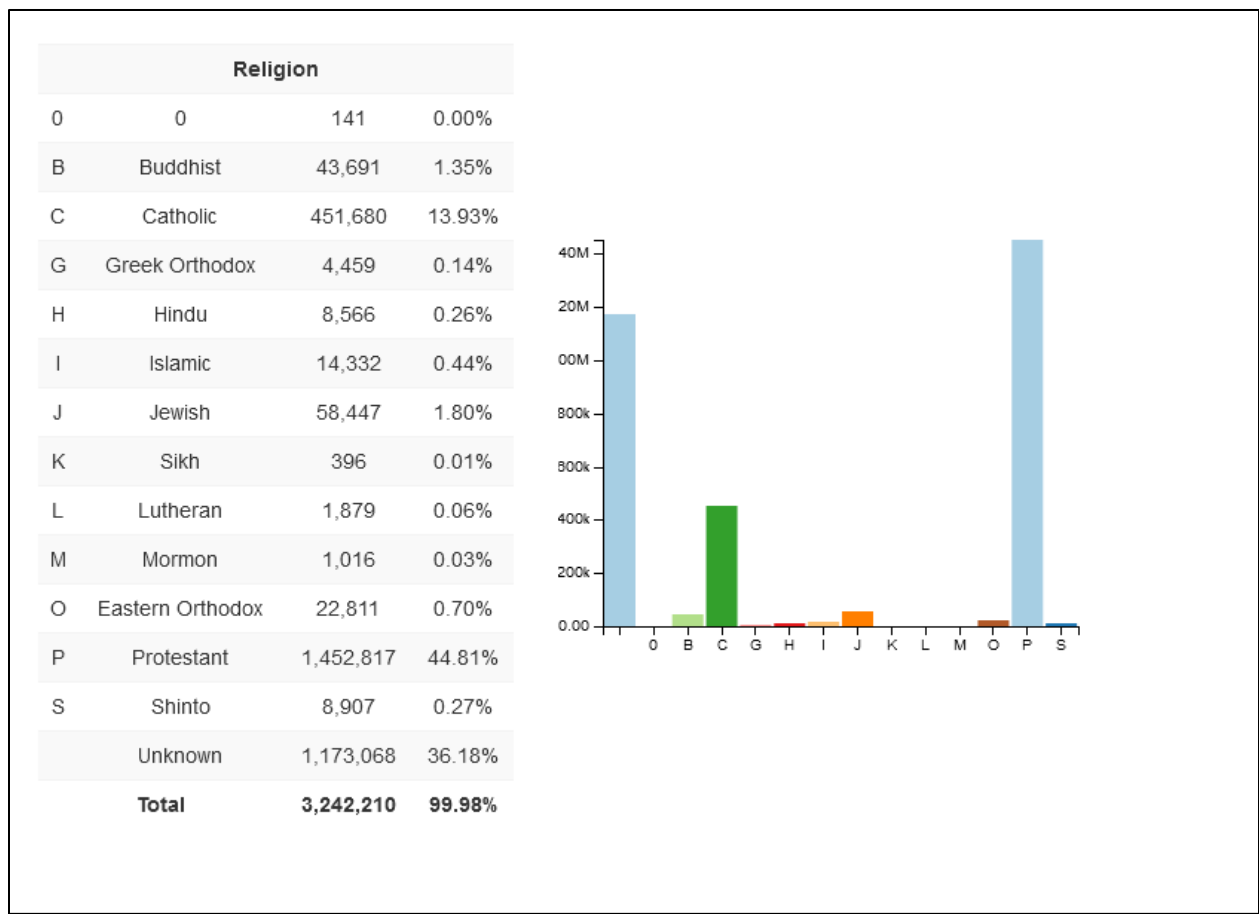


Figure 1 – Demographic Breakdown of Religions in Oregon

We see that there might be as many as 1.4 million Protestants and 450,000 Catholics living in Oregon. That may include non-voting age individuals, but it seems there ought to be close to 2 million voters who should be likely pro-life and conservative. How many votes do we get?

Another measure of how many Christian voters there should be comes from an effort to identify and reach out to Christians started in the 2020 election. In that effort, we used a list of conservative churches in the state of Oregon and determined that on a Sunday in May, 668,000 people attended those churches (if interested in how this was done, please email me). You have to remember that first of all, the weather is nice in May and people are out and about and may not be in church every Sunday. We must recall that this is after the pandemic had ended and many people still weren't comfortable coming back to church. To understand how many people we should have voting, you must apply a multiplier. What is that multiplier? That multiplier may be as much as two. What would that

mean? There really should be at least 1.3 million voters, exercising their vote from a Judeo-Christian worldview. However, in a lot of state-wide races we only get between 700,000 and 1 million votes. It seems we are missing 300 to 400,000 votes. Are we? Many think we are. Many believe that there's a huge gap between the votes we have and the votes we should be getting.

The point of these three discussions is that the Christian vote is under performing. There may be 300 to 400,000 likely conservative Christian voters who are sitting out our election. If you are a reader of this document, you understand how important it is to vote as a Christian. But some don't. It is hard to understand how they could not understand that great importance as they see parental rights being taken, Planned Parenthood being empowered to enter schools and get more money from teenagers without parental knowledge by doing abortions and destroying children's genders. But they are not. How do we change that?

One of the most critical ways we can change this is by education and outreach. Second, we must find ways for voter identification on issues and then put these into a list. We must communicate with a wider audience. In Oregon, a large list of emails from any interest group or candidate might be 25,000. How does that compare to the progressive/left? In Washington State we understand there are 4.5 million voters. That state's Democrat party has an email list of 1 million they email to weekly (check this link: <https://mailchi.mp/2d04163adff8/therightscommunicationproblem2-2599812>).

OFF Resources that are available

Oregon Faith and Freedom has available to it several resources that can help us identify and get Christians to vote.

Email lists and Marketing

One resource that is available to OFF and is in active use, is a large list of likely known Christian leaning donors and volunteers. This list of about 55,000 deliverable emails, and it could be one of the largest available in the state of Oregon. This email list could be used to communicate important messages that would help likely conservative Judeo Christian worldview people, who would be interested in saving Oregon and changing it from blue to red, know what is

happening and how they can help. We can also work to find and add to the list additional emails. Email marketing must be continuous and constant. It cannot be discouraged because of complaints by those asking to be removed (this is a problem among the people of the conservative side as more conservatives tend to complain about communication such as email outreach, and conservatives sending emails tend to be easily discouraged from sending emails that get complaints). It also takes money, as the tools to send emails, ensure they get delivered to domains, and follow the correct practices, takes expertise and the proper email sending tools. OFF has access to these tools and expertise but needs funding so we can send to the large list more often. This is one way we can reach people to inform them of our need.

Follow-up and further outreach can be done using the many landlines and cellphones that we have in the list, along with the addresses for mailings.

Digital Mobile ID's

We spoke of this previously, another resource OFF has available is a list of digital phone IDs identified as attendees to a likely conservative Christian Church on a Sunday in May. The number of ids collected was 668,000. Because working through the church and convincing every Pastor in a conservative church to encourage and instruct about the importance of being aware and voting is challenging, this approach goes directly to the church member. Using the list, we could send a digital ad to the recipients encouraging them in various ways to get registered to vote and vote. The goals could include signing up at a website, joining an email list, creating a county chapter of Oregon Faith and Freedom, working in their church to create prayer groups and action groups regarding voting and understanding and being involved with politics. These service groups could pray for our legislators and executive leaders and encourage people to be aware of what's happening with laws in our society.

County chapters in all 36 counties could become the place where Judeo Christian worldview people could be trained and encouraged to understand the value of voting. At a Family Research Council online event Barna was reported to have done a survey in which they found that 94% of Christians were registered to vote but only 22% regularly voted. County chapters could help change that as they might follow a model in Oregon from some years back in an active Americans For Prosperity (AFP) did that here and brought hundreds of people into the process.

Underneath the county chapters we can organize community involvement groups and churches. These would be places where people could meet weekly to pray for their community and encourage people to be active in the community, run for office, support candidates and vote.

County chapters could be organized with a 36 County tour of Oregon inviting 5 to 10,000 likely Republicans who might also be Christian conservatives to come out to an event. They could raise their hand to lead and be involved and Oregon Faith and Freedom as a county chapter leader. OFF can support these local organizing efforts by emailing those who live nearest to these events. When the aforementioned AFP statewide group formed, they stood up many county chapters quickly simply by purchasing lists of active conservative voters and inviting them to a kickoff event using a robo call. This outreach generally brought in 100 to 200 new people to the process. That approach could be followed again, adding to it the large list of emails we have available and using digital ads, texting, and social media to quickly stand-up county groups again. With the upcoming legislative session approaching, this is greatly needed as generating communication back to our legislators and coalescing more and more people to our side, maybe the only defense against another wave of bad laws in Oregon (with the disqualification of so many Senators to potentially run again, it begs the question of whether they should even show up for this supposed short session that was created to fix the budget). The reality is that Oregon needs an active, full spectrum of issues, group that will help, educate, and motivate Christians to vote and be involved in influencing our society and elections. Oregon Faith and Freedom has developed a new set of tools to accomplish this task. We have outlined a plan and await the funding you might help us provide. Will you help us?

The goals of Oregon Faith and Freedom and the use of these communication tools will be to:

- Engage readers and recipients of digital ads in an examination of their involvement in preserving our Judeo-Christian worldview and the need to be ready to vote.
- Continually grow our list and continue to educate and inform regardless of time of year.
- Inform readers of important issues to stand for or against during the upcoming legislative session.

- Encourage watchfulness and engagement to resist and help stop bad legislation.
- Set up county chapters in the 36 counties in Oregon.
 - Find local leadership.
 - Get monthly meetings going.
- Setup church community involvement groups.
 - Connect these groups to many information outlets to keep them in knowledgeable prayer.
 - Activate these groups to encourage prayer at church, at prayer groups, and encourage educating people about registering to vote and voting.