



# Ambassador

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“Just as a **father**  
has **COMPASSION**  
on *his* children,  
so the LORD  
has **COMPASSION**  
on those who fear Him.”

—*Psalm 103:13*

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## DID YOU KNOW?



As the new *Global Mercy* brings the ministry of Mercy Ships back to Senegal, the

crew will be serving a country with a mortality rate nearly **seven times** higher than ours. Nearly 40% of Senegal's population live on less than \$2 per day. *Can you help invite volunteers to apply? Contact Rebecca@ambaa.com and we'll be sure you have details and resources to do that!*

Delivering the reminder that *Heaven Rules*, True Woman 2022 (Revive Our Hearts)



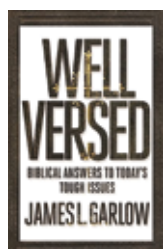
features this theme with an outstanding line-up of speakers including **Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth**, Chris Brooks, **Joni Eareckson Tada**, Kay Arthur and others. Worship will be led again by Keith & Kristyn Getty. That's September 20-22 in Indianapolis.



**Focus on the Family** brought home a number of awards when the Evangelical Press Association recognized

excellence in publications over the past year. Included were praise for *Plugged In*, *Clubhouse*, *Clubhouse Jr*, *Brio* and *Focus on the Family* articles and publications.

*Well Versed* by **Jim Garlow** was recently published in Spanish, followed by translation into Portuguese thanks to partnership with a Brazilian publisher. Author of 21 books, Jim's work is now in about 15 languages.



## WHAT'S NEW ON AMB-OS

### Check out these two new offerings!

***Saving America*** with **Charlie Kirk** is a daily 26-minute outreach of Turning Point USA, whose mission is to restore traditional American values by equipping Christians to engage like never before, empowering them to stand for the biblical values on which our nation was founded. Charlie Kirk is the Founder and President of TPUSA, a national student movement. At just 28 years of age, Charlie has appeared on CNBC and Fox News, is an editor-at-large at Newsweek, and often writes columns for national entities such as Fox News. *To request permission to air Saving America with Charlie Kirk, email Travis Young at [travis@dunhamandcompany.com](mailto:travis@dunhamandcompany.com).*



***The Line of Fire*** with **Dr. Michael Brown** tackles the controversies, engages the culture, and challenges the status quo each afternoon between 3-4PM ET. This live broadcast features the sage insight and wisdom of Dr. Brown who is a radio host, activist, author, international speaker, and biblical scholar. He has authored over 40 books, and has contributed to numerous academic works, including the Theological Dictionary of the Old Testament and the Expositor's Bible Commentary. *Contact Cindy Panepinto at 336-759-0363 or [director@askdrbrown.org](mailto:director@askdrbrown.org) for placement via Amb-OS.*



### And these from *Unshackled*:



***History's Greatest Sermons*** is a 30-minute monthly dramatic program which brings to life the words and personal history of a past generation who delivered the Gospel. These sermons, documented in writing before the onset of recordings, feature preachers like Billy Sunday, Charles Spurgeon, Dwight L. Moody and many more, all dramatized by Unshackled's professional actors!



The ***Clu Crew*** is a 25-minute monthly audio drama series featuring the Clu family. The Clu Crew's natural curiosity and sense of daring make for some exciting and even outrageous adventures. All told with a family-friendly, faith-based narrative where there is always a lesson to be learned, a Biblical principle to enact, and a mystery to be solved! (Recommended for children and families.)

*Should you have any questions regarding either program or placement, contact Timothy Gregory at 312-281-1268 or [unshackled@pgm.org](mailto:unshackled@pgm.org).*





Focus on the Family invites you to join the **SeeLife 2022 Livestream Experience** featuring pro-life champions Ben Shapiro, Candace Owens, and more—plus music by Phil Wickham. This special event is streaming live on June 14.

**SPEAK UP  
FOR LIFE**

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FOCUS ON THE FAMILY  
**SEIZE THIS  
PRO-LIFE  
MOMENT™**

It's not too late to **Seize This Pro-Life Moment** and partner with Focus on the Family in the 12-week SeeLife 2022 campaign. Be inspired by 30 short video vignettes that encourage everyday people to live their pro-life story!

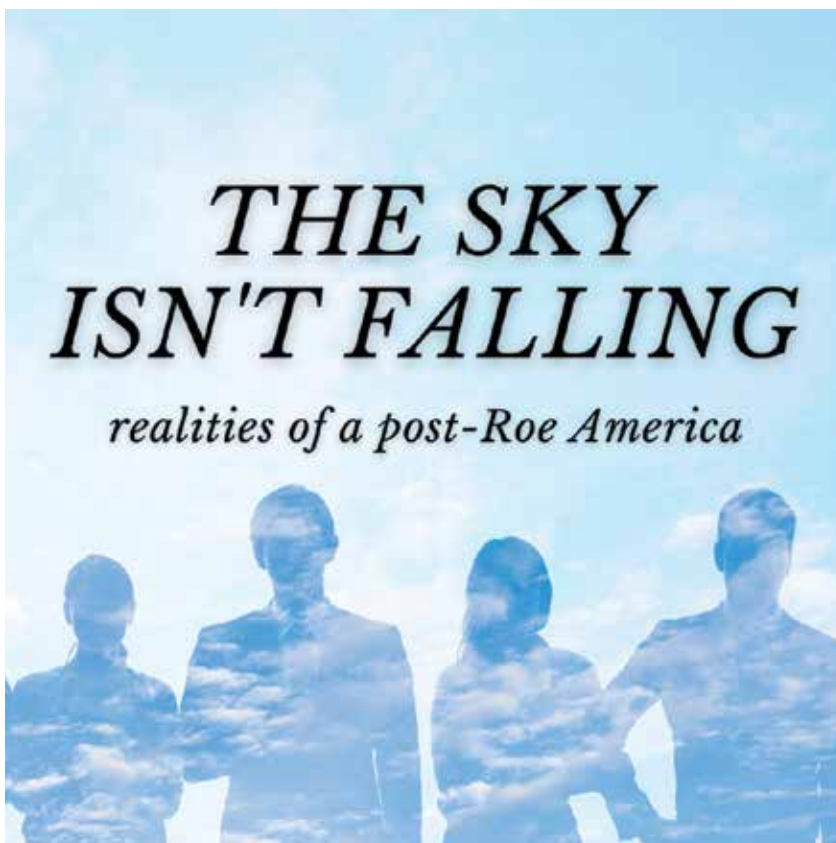


**BRAD MATTES**  
*Life Issues*

**The Sky Isn't Falling:  
Realities of a Post-Roe America**  
(For airing June 11-12)

In this impactful update on the dramatic events at the Supreme Court, **Brad Mattes** (president of Life Issues Institute) looks at the likely overturning of the nearly 50-year old Roe v. Wade decision, reminding audiences that this is *good news* for women and the pro-life movement. Guests include moms who were refused abortion and now express deep gratitude for the law that precluded it. Other voices provide further encouragement of the path forward. This special simply couldn't be any more timely!

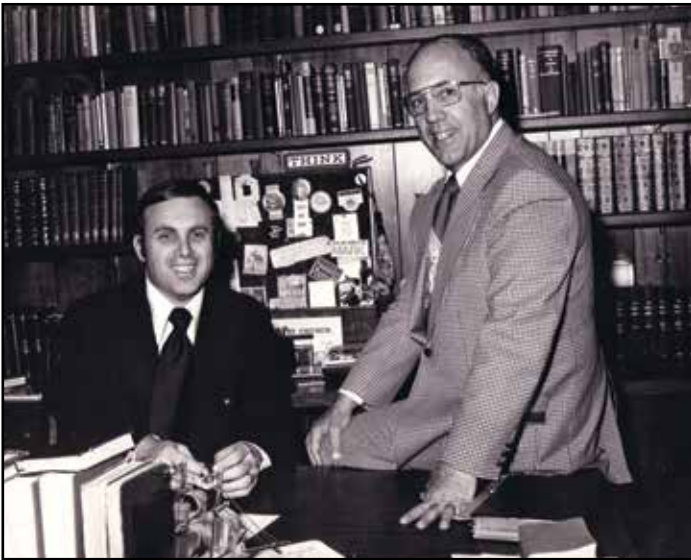
Contact [lee@ambaa.com](mailto:lee@ambaa.com) for audition details and to request an interview with Brad about the SCOTUS decision and current pro-life efforts.



## FATHER'S DAY

# REFLECTIONS ON DAD ...

Every day we hear wisdom from some remarkably gifted communicators—who happen to be fathers as well. We thought we'd ask these men to reflect on how they were shaped by *their* dads. Here are their meaningful responses—encouragement for dads ... and actually for moms, grandparents, and all of us who have the privilege of nurturing children.



As a father myself, I'm so grateful that my dad gave me the reality of a front-row seat to see a pastor live out everything he preached. —**JOHN MacARTHUR**

My dad was a man of hard work and integrity. His family was his priority. As a boy, I never heard him even one time embellish the truth or tell a lie. He often said to me, "Carter, a man is only as good as his word. If his word can't be trusted, then neither can he."

—**CARTER CONLON**



My Dad was a strong man with a tender heart, whose love I never doubted, whose kindness touched all those he knew, and who was always moved by the price Jesus paid for him. He never got over the Cross.

—**RON HUTCHCRAFT**

Even with many deficits, I'm so grateful my dad would run his fingers through my hair and say "you're special." That stuck with me and in me. —**JIM DALY**



Dad showed me how to live life by passionately loving God, loving the Word of God, loving his wife (my mom), loving us kids, loving the church, loving his occupation of farming, loving learning, loving laughter, loving music (he believed that "the family that sings together, clings together")

and modeled how to handle the hardships of life – including two of his five children dying before their 20th birthday – while still maintaining intimacy with the Lord. —**JIM GARLOW**

My dad championed me as a kid, pushing me to pursue a variety of endeavors, and helping me see possibilities I had not imagined. I've tried to pass that kind of encouragement onto my own children! —**JOHN FULLER**

As a father myself, I am grateful that my heavenly Father knows my needs, and provides for them.

—**ADRIEL SANCHEZ**



I'm so grateful my dad measured love with a four-letter word: t-i-m-e.

—**MAX LUCADO**



My dad instilled in his five sons the importance of faith and family. He led by example, conducting daily devotions, and facilitating regular church attendance. And our development into manhood was nurtured and guided within a strong family unit. —BRAD MATTES



My dad would never let me say "I can't" and stressed the words "yes, you can-- now get started." Dad believed in me. Decades later, I realize how foundational this was. Mercy Ships exists, in part, because of this. My children have heard the same words. Philippians 4:13 tells us all the same things. God believes in us. —DON STEPHENS



I'm so grateful that the Lord mellowed my dad with age. Our last two years together were precious.

—DON GREEN

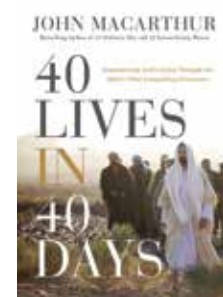
Check our website for Father's Day (June 19) resources celebrating dad in PSAs, social assets and more.

## New on the Nightstand

How's this for a title? ***The Awesome Super Fantastic Forever Party: A True Story about Heaven, Jesus and the Best Invitation of All*** is authored by **Joni Eareckson Tada**, accompanied by brightly-colored illustrations from Catalina Echeverri. It might be a "children's" book but it is bound to encourage anyone who reads it with the joyous anticipation of heaven!



Forty ordinary people that God used to accomplish His work and spread the Good News are profiled in ***40 Lives in 40 Days***, a new devotional compilation from **John MacArthur's** extensive studies of Bible characters. The reality is—we don't have to be perfect to be used to do God's work. Now, *that's* encouraging!



## A July 4th Classic

### Adventures in Odyssey Independence Day Special

Join Focus on the Family this July 4th with special classic episodes from Adventures in Odyssey! "The Day Independence Came" and "The Midnight Ride" are presented



together for an exciting journey back to the American Revolution. Invite your listening family into a revolutionary adventure through American history!

\*Available for airing separately (25:29 each) or together for a one-hour presentation.

Contact [Jennifer@ambaa.com](mailto:Jennifer@ambaa.com) for details.



## SCENES OF THE SEASON

**A** Tho the AAA gals are “all smiles” there were a few teary moments too as our staff said farewell to **Michelle Blood**—on to “retirement”!

**B** Meantime, it was “Welcome, Alina Mae” as our **Ben Bryggmann** and wife, Carolina, shared pix of their beautiful little girl born March 22.

**C** A very helpful “off site meeting” brought these bright minds (and adept swings) together: Jim Sanders (L) with **John MacArthur**, **Chris Gould** and **David Evans** (Salem). It was all for a very good cause—The Master’s University (Santa Clarita CA).

**D** **Rick Whitmer** enjoyed a visit with station partner, Radio Victoria, in Aruba (!)—seen visiting here with station manager, Jhon Honthizien.

**E** The **Amb-OS team** at NAB. In case you know the name but not the face (!), from L-R: Steve Reinke, Jim Sanders, Charley Mefferd, Ken Van Prooyen, Boyd Gaffigan, Ben Bryggmann, Dave Allen and Dick Becvar. Grateful for each one of these guys!

**F** Lee Ann Jackson “hit the road” again with a visit to Switzerland where daughter, Rebecca, was studying (see also below)—which meant a stop at **Mercy Ships’** beautiful offices in Lausanne. Pictured with Christophe Baer (Donor Relations for the ministry).

**G** It was a serendipitous encounter in Nashville when these guys (**Trent & Jim Daly** and Jim Sanders) ended up at the same concert in town.



**A**



**B**



**C**



**D**



**E**



**F**



**G**



## NEW TO AMBASSADOR

Actually, she’s known Ambassador (and vice versa) since the beginning of her life! Joining the Ambassador team this summer is our 2022 intern **Rebecca Jackson**, daughter of Lee Ann, who is a Pepperdine (Malibu CA) student and majoring in Liberal Arts for Education.

After a semester abroad in Switzerland, Rebecca will be back in Malibu in the Fall for her Junior year, when her leadership gifts will be further evidenced in her role as an R.A. (residence life).

You may be hearing from Rebecca this summer as she tackles a number of assignments! Thanks for the warm welcome, if so!



Enjoy the fabulous recipe that follows ... but wait—there's more! Next month expect to see the contribution from Joni's beloved "other half"—Ken Tada. We have a few recipe books remaining—yours if you'll send a note to [Peg@ambaa.com](mailto:Peg@ambaa.com).

FROM  
OUR  
KITCHEN



## Meet the Chef

Now "Sharing Hope" (4:00) each day, **Joni Eareckson Tada's** broadcast history extends over four decades. Listeners are also treated daily to "A Moment with Joni" (1:00). Impacting thousands over the air and through her prolific writing and speaking schedule, Joni remains beloved by all who know her—and those who feel they do as she warmly communicates in every medium.

PRIME TIME

# Lindy's Maryland Crab Cakes

JONI EARECKSON TADA



**1 pound Jumbo lump crab meat (special order from your fish monger)**

**1 egg, lightly beaten**

**4 slices white bread, crusts removed**

**Panko breadcrumbs**

**1 tablespoon mayonnaise**

**¾ cup sautéed celery**

**¾ cup sautéed onion**

**1 teaspoon minced parsley**

**1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce**

**¼ teaspoon salt**

**2 teaspoons dry mustard**

**2 teaspoons Old Bay seasoning**

*There's nothing like summertime on the Chesapeake Bay, and when June arrived in Maryland, my mother Lindy Eareckson would always celebrate it with her famous crab cakes. Not Florida crab cakes flavored with pimientos, or ones from Texas with jalapenos, or heavily fried crab cakes from Louisiana. Mother made classic Maryland crab cakes and allowed the sweetness of jumbo lump Chesapeake Bay blue crab to provide all the flavor. No one knows where Lindy got her recipe, but we guess she discovered it as a young woman, working at the Broadway Street Fish Market near the Baltimore Harbor. Over the years, she obviously perfected it.*

*No crab cake dinner would be complete without sliced garden tomatoes, chilled applesauce and hot buttered corn on the cob. Whether indoors or outdoors, Mother would set the table summer-style with gingham and fresh flowers. For those of us who liked it spicy, she'd serve up her hot crab cakes with a small ramekin of Old Bay Seasoning and vinegar for taste. Lindy had only one rule when it came to this dish: "Eat up every bit--crab is too expensive to waste!"*

*This dinner is a Maryland tradition which I always serve when Ken and I entertain guests – or my sisters – visiting us from the East Coast. My mother was right--cans of jumbo lump crab ordered from Crisfield, Maryland, are pricey ...but it's worth it!*

Break bread into small pieces. Soak in beaten egg. Mix in mayonnaise and seasonings. Lightly stir in crab meat.

Shape mixture into 4-6 patties (if too wet, add Panko breadcrumbs to form better patties). Broil 10 minutes on each side or face-up in the oven at 350° until brown on top.



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*It's clear June is a month of much celebration—just check out the anniversaries and birthdays noted below as underscoring of that. Here's an idea—use these calendar notations as a reminder to pray for these men and women serving in leadership.*



**June 5-11:** Erin & Greg Smalley (Vice President of Marriage at Focus on the Family) will speak at Forest Home (Forest Falls CA). Later this month, Danny Huerta is featured speaker (June 19-25).



**June 8:** Congratulations to Judy & Steve Douglass ("Making Your Life Count") as they mark another anniversary! Grateful for your faithful Kingdom service!



**June 13:** Happy Birthday to Don Stephens ("The Mercy Minute")—followed quickly by best wishes as he and Deyon celebrate their anniversary on 6/17!



**June 13:** Life-changing refreshment for families with disabilities as Joni and Friends hosts Family Retreats in Michigan, Alabama, Oregon and Pennsylvania—check the JAF website for events throughout the year!



**June 14:** See inside for more details on the SeeLife 2022 Livestream event with special guests including Ben Shapiro, Candace Owens, Jim Daly, and music from Phil Wickham.



**June 19:** Birthday blessings also this month to John MacArthur ("Grace to You") whose expositional teaching continues to impact thousands. What a great Father's Day for the MacArthur clan this year!



**June 29:** Evangelism Explosion "Share Your Faith" training at The Church of the Apostles (Michael Youssef, Pastor) in Atlanta.

*We're now nearly half-way through 2022 and so glad for easier gathering days with pandemic concerns further waning (at this writing at least!). Check this space each month for the latest news on what's ahead.*