

# August Edition: America's Debt Crisis and You



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*"As we peer into society's future, we -- you and I, and our government -- must avoid the impulse to live only for today, plundering for our own ease and convenience the precious resources of tomorrow. We cannot mortgage the material assets of our grandchildren without risking the loss also of their political and spiritual heritage. We want democracy to survive for all generations to come, not to become the insolvent phantom of tomorrow."* -**Dwight D. Eisenhower**

President Eisenhower had it right. It's a shame America didn't heed his words of wisdom.

Today the United States faces a massive national debt of \$17 trillion dollars. On top of that, the national unemployment rate remains high. In addition, America has over \$123 trillion in unfunded liabilities. The debt is astronomical and unprecedented yet President Obama denies that we have a debt crisis. Earlier this year, President Obama said to George Stephanopoulos in an

**Thank you,  
Sen. Chuck Grassley!**



Carrie and Stacie had the honor of seeing their senator, [Chuck Grassley](#). Senator Grassley of Iowa is a defender of faith, freedom, and flag. For more than 32 years Grassley has made a point of visiting each of Iowa's 99 counties at least once a year. In fact, this photo shows Carrie and Stacie with Senator Grassley at a county town hall meeting. Senator Grassley is dependable, hard working, and strong. Stacie and Carrie are proud to call him their senator. May God bless Senator

interview, "We don't have an immediate crisis in terms of debt. In fact, for the next 10 years, it's gonna be in a sustainable place."

President Obama, tell that to the 36% of young adults who are still living at home due to the fact that they cannot find work or a job that pays well. Today's economy is tough but it will be even worse for the next generation if we don't take action to achieve fiscal responsibility now.

The government is spending more than it takes in and financial waste is extensive.

Here's an example about government waste within the Veterans Affairs Department: As many as 611,000 veterans' disability compensation requests have been put on the "back burner". Veterans with more complicated cases are waiting two years. Yet millions of dollars are being given out to VA workers as bonuses. This is a case of government wasteful spending, but more importantly, it's harming our nation's heroes. Veterans deserve honor and respect. (The Veterans Affairs Department's actions are a disgrace and it must change! Contact them here: [http://www.va.gov/landing2\\_contact.htm](http://www.va.gov/landing2_contact.htm))

This edition of Unite the USA features a helpful article by Concerned Women for America's president Penny Nance. It's about why financial responsibility is Biblical. In this edition, you will also discover tips about how to deal with our nation's debt crisis.

There is hope. There are many Americans who are actively engaged in the fight to win fiscal sanity. We will not quit. In fact, with God's help, America could see better days ahead!

God bless,  
Carrie Stoelting and Stacie Stoelting  
Founders of [Unite the USA](#)

Grassley as he stands up for freedom and righteousness.

**New Video:  
*In God We Still Trust***

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America is facing numerous unprecedented moral challenges. Clearly, our country needs to turn to Jesus. Listen to "In God We Still Trust" for inspiration to keep "fighting the good fight". For hope and encouragement, listen to Stacie Ruth and Carrie Beth sing "[In God We Still Trust](#)".

## **The Immorality of Debt: What the Bible Says about the Debt Crisis**

By Penny Nance



When 26-year-old Megan graduated from the university with her Master's in International Affairs, she had big career aspirations. But after two years of job hunting, she finds herself working as the manager of a women's retail store and living with her parents just so she can make ends meet. Not exactly the life Megan imagined when she was studying long hours in the library and working that

part-time job to pay her way through school. And sadly, Megan's story is not uncommon.

## **About Penny Nance**

The younger generation entering the work-force is facing a harsh reality check. That is, 36 percent of America's young adults are living under their parents' roofs living paycheck to paycheck with no prospects in sight. For the first time in our nation's history, young people face a future that threatens to be less financially secure than that of their parents. Only 44 percent of Americans - fewer than ever before - believe that today's youth will have more prosperous lives than their parents.

No matter how much politicians try to spin the narrative on our \$17 trillion national debt crisis, they cannot hide the real financial struggles under which our nation is crumbling. Washington must reduce our deficit by cutting spending, reforming entitlements and ensuring the debt ceiling is not increased without significant spending reductions that don't use budgetary gimmicks or raise taxes on American families.

You can find the rest of Penny's column here: <http://www.christianpost.com/news/the-immorality-of-debt-what-the-bible-says-about-the-debt-crisis-102621/>



## Action Points to Confront Debt

Here are a few helpful tips to learn more our national debt, how to achieve personal financial freedom, and "Q and As" about the Biblical approach to finances by Billy Graham.

1. Learn about national debt to better understand the current debt crisis. The Heritage foundation provides a guide called *What Debt Crisis? A Default Primer for Governments*. [Click here](#) to read it.
2. Elect leaders who are both socially and fiscally conservative and who understand the U.S. Constitution.
3. Contact your current lawmakers and express your opinions about the debt crisis.
4. Dave Ramsey has an excellent web site filled with resources to help families learn how to achieve financial freedom. For example, you will find information and guides about how to overcome personal debt, manage a budget, and even info about taxes. Visit <http://www.daveramsey.com/home/>.
5. Billy Graham has answered several about how Christians should face debt.
  1. [I have serious financial problems. What can I do?](#)
  2. [This has been a very bad year for me. Can you give me any hope for the future?](#)

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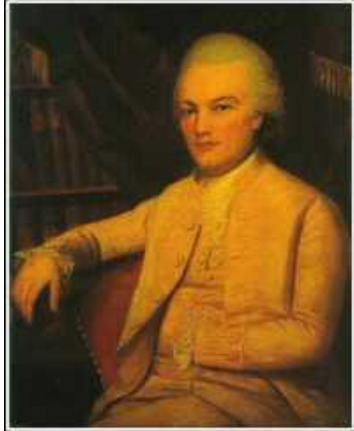
**Penny Young Nance** most recently served as President of Nance and Associates and as Special Advisor for the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), where she advised the Chairman and the Commissioners on media and social issues. In this capacity, she served as a liaison and provided outreach to congress, public interest groups, and industry. Mrs. Nance's key responsibilities centered on the protection of children, including broadcast indecency and the media task force on childhood obesity. Before joining the FCC, Mrs. Nance was founder and President of the Kids First Coalition, a non-profit organization focused on educating Capitol Hill, the media, and the public on a variety of issues related to children.

Mrs. Nance has been quoted and featured on the topic of social issues and politics in print media including the New York Times, New York Daily News, Wall Street Journal, USA Today and others. She has appeared on Fox News, C-Span, Lehrer News Hour,

3. They opened a casino near us about three years ago, and I've lost so much money there and gotten so far into debt that I'll never recover. But in spite of this, I just can't stop going. I don't have a question, but maybe someone will learn from my experience.

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## Featured Founding Father



**Charles Pinckney** (October 26, 1757 - October 29, 1824) was one of the youngest members of the Constitutional Convention. He was a signer of the United States Constitution and he became the 37th Governor of South Carolina. Pinckney was also a Senator and a member of the House of Representatives. He was first cousin (once removed) of fellow-signer Charles Cotesworth Pinckney.

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MSNBC, CNN and many network affiliates.

Prior to founding Kids First Coalition, Mrs. Nance worked for five years as Legislative Director for Concerned Women for America. She has also consulted for other non-profit organizations including Prison Fellowship Ministries and the Center for Reclaiming America. She served on the Capitol Hill Staff of Congressman Pat Swindall (R-Georgia).

Mrs. Nance is the wife of Will Nance and the mother of two children. She has served on Concerned Women for America's national board of directors and the Virginia board of Bethany Christian Services (the nation's largest non-profit adoption agency). In addition, Mrs. Nance formerly volunteered with Birth Mothers, a non-profit organization dedicated to meeting the physical needs of women in crisis pregnancies. She is a graduate of Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia.

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