

Actor Chuck Norris and wife Gena join NCBCPS Board

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Greensboro, NC—Aug 31—Christian Wire Service— His movies and television appearances sought to make the world a better place and now actor Chuck Norris and his wife, Gena, have joined the Board of Directors of the National Council on Bible Curriculum In Public Schools with the quest of helping students understand the Bible's impact on history and literature.

"We receive a lot of requests to get behind a lot of things, but it took us only a few minutes to know that we were to stand behind this important work," the Norrises said. Mr. and Mrs. Norris are featured in a popular television public service announcement that encourages citizens to bring the Bible back to America's public schools as an available elective course of study. The announcements are aired on several national networks.

The Norris announcements inform viewers that they can call the National Council on Bible Curriculum in Public Schools (NCBCPS) to receive information on how any citizen can help their local school board implement the NCBCPS curriculum. Already this year a record 49 new school districts have decided to offer "The Bible in History and Literature" course. Nationwide, 370 school districts have approved the course for use in over 1,350 schools in 37 states. More than 93% of school boards approached with the curriculum have voted to implement it, and the NCBCPS materials have never been legally challenged.

Already, approximately 190,000 students have taken the elective course in which students read through their entire textbook, the Bible, during the school year. The course is taught objectively from a 300 page teacher's guide, and emphasizes the Bible's influence upon literature, history, our legal and educational systems, archeology, art, and other aspects of Western Civilization.

The course is quite popular among high school students. "I have talked with young people who have taken this course and they are so excited about it, they wish they had the opportunity to take another year of the elective," says Gena Norris.