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Dear ACL Supporter,

Thank you to all the church leaders who travelled to the '2010 Make It Count Event (MIC) in Canberra last month. Queensland had an excellent representation of high profile church and business leaders at the event. Nationally I cannot think of an event that has gathered as many of Australia's Christian leaders in one place in the last few years. Thank you also to the many Queensland churches who hosted the web-cast.

The MIC featured Kevin Rudd and Tony Abbott speaking to the Christian constituency on election issues of particular interest to Christians. Politics is no easy road and only three days after Mr Rudd spoke to us he was replaced as leader of the Labor Party, with Julia Gillard becoming the first female Prime Minister of Australia. We thank Mr Rudd for his service to our nation. It was great to have a Queenslander as PM!



Peter Earle
Queensland State Director

The fast changing pace of politics highlights the fact that we need to be continually vigilant and diligent in our Christian lobbying. While our Federal leadership might have changed, our primary purpose has not. Our purpose is to influence all parties and governments with Christian values. The MIC event has influenced both parties and drawn their attention to issues of concern to the Christian constituency.

Also in the last month the pro-abortion agenda has risen its ugly head again. Obstetrician and pro-abortion campaigner Professor Caroline de Costa has written a new book, 'Never, Ever, Again'. According to 'The Australian' (June 28, 2010), Professor de Costa's book finds that the impending trial of a young Queensland woman for allegedly illegally aborting her pregnancy has no legal precedent in Australia. The newspaper says this reinforces how intensely the prosecution of Tegan Leach and her partner, Sergie Brennan, both of Cairns, will be watched.

This is the Cairns case which is to return to the District Court this month where Ms Leach is charged with attempting to procure an abortion and Mr Brennan is charged with supplying drugs to procure an abortion.

While this case is about abortion it seems lost on the pro-abortion advocates that procuring an illegal drug and administering it is illegal no matter what the drug is. The government would feel compelled to prosecute on this alone, no matter what the drug is used for. Administering this drug without medical supervision is dangerous.

Thank you for your support of the ACL. Please pray for the upcoming election. ACL will be very active in providing you with current information on the federal election so we can assist you to make an informed vote.

Blessings,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Peter Earle', written in a cursive style.

Peter Earle
ACL Queensland Director

