

CN Morning Rundown: Franklin Graham, Conservatives Send Stern Message to President Biden After 'Positive' State of the Union Address

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One year after taking office, in his first State of the Union address in 2022, President Joe Biden said Tuesday night, "We are stronger today than we were a year ago. And we will be stronger a year from now than we are today."

With the current skyrocketing rate of inflation and the numerous domestic and international crises unfolding during his 14 months in office, including the debacle in Afghanistan and the current Russian invasion of Ukraine, some beg to disagree, including evangelist Franklin Graham and other conservatives.

Pray for Ukraine as If Your Family Lived There

Early in the morning on Feb. 24, President Vladimir Putin of Russia began what he called a "peacekeeping mission" in Ukraine. It was, in fact, a hostile and unlawful act of war that has been condemned by the world community. As soon as Russian bombs began falling on the Ukrainian cities of Kyiv, Kharkiv, Odessa and the Donbas region, a Ukrainian pastor in South River, New Jersey, gathered his church to pray.

"We mobilized 24-hour prayer for five days," says Viktor

Marach, pastor of Grace Church in South River, home to a large Ukrainian population. Last Sunday, many Ukrainian Christians gathered in the city with the mayor and local police officers to pray for peace.

Like many Ukrainian-American Christians, Pastor Marach came to the United States after the Soviet Union dissolved in the early 1990s. He left Ukraine to seek religious freedom, but he cares about his family and friends back home—many of whom have fled to Poland or Romania, or to small Ukrainian villages where they can avoid bomb attacks.

A ‘Gay Christian’ Predicts That the Gay Community Will Destroy the Christian Church

Yes, you read that headline correctly. A man claiming to be a gay Christian has predicted that the gay community will destroy the Christian church—those are his exact words—and he hopes it will happen sooner than later.

Allow me to give you a spoiler alert. The church that Jesus is building—by which I mean the community of His true followers around the world—cannot be destroyed. Or canceled. Or silenced.

As for much of what goes by the name of “Christian church,” that’s another story. {eoa}

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