

Franklin Graham Starts 'Persecuted Christians USA Fund'

When Aaron Klein, the bakery owner who refused to make a wedding cake for a lesbian couple, called Franklin Graham with the troubling news that a liberal judge had ruled he will have to shell out \$135,000 in damages for "emotional suffering," the evangelist decided to do more than pray.

"Unbelievable! The Kleins have already had to close their Oregon bakery business, Sweet Cakes by Melissa and do not have this money to pay. Aaron said it would financially ruin their family and could cost them their home," Graham wrote on his Facebook page.

"They have done nothing wrong, and their lives, along with their five children, have been turned upside down by this persecution. You can't call it anything else. This is wrong, and it's happening right here in our own country. Liberal judges and officials siding with the LGBT crowd are trying to make a point with the undeserved punishment of this family. This is America—we should have the freedom to live by our sincerely held religious beliefs. It's obvious who is really being discriminated against here."

With that Graham put his faith where his mouth is and called for America to help the Kleins. First, he called for prayer as this nightmare continues unfolding. Second, he offered an opportunity for people to donate to the Kleins.

That's especially important now, considering that online fundraising site GoFundMe pulled the plug on a campaign that was running for the family. If you would like to donate to the Kleins or Christians facing similar persecution, you can give to Samaritan's Purse PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS-USA fund.

Graham concludes: "We're all in real danger if something isn't done to put a stop to this kind of deliberate targeting and malicious treatment of Christians."