# On Sunday, Nov. 26, will you pray for religious freedom in Canada?

- the Trinity Western University (TWU) case, to be heard in the Supreme Court on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1.
- the future of religious freedom in Canada.

#### The Facts

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- The Federation of the Law Societies of Canada have affirmed the accreditation, while <u>three members dissented</u> and said they would not accredit it.
- Legal challenges have ensued in three provinces. The courts ruled in favour of TWU in two of the three cases. Two decisions were appealed to the Supreme Court of Canada, <u>one for and one against TWU</u>.

Those two cases will be heard on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, in Ottawa.

#### A negative decision could lead to...

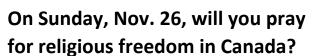
...a tightening of restrictions on other Canadian Christian institutions of higher learning; restrictions on other religious organizations that ask its members to live counter-culturally; religious institutions (churches, schools, camps, missions, etc.) being disallowed to maintain their religious character and purposes; and more.

#### On Sunday, Nov. 26, let's pray for

- <u>wisdom and insight</u> for the judges, lawyers, and interveners on both sides in the TWU case;
- <u>the Supreme Court of Canada</u>, that they will rule that there is no valid reason why TWU law schools should not be accredited. Pray also that the precedent will be one for religious freedom in Canada;
- <u>the provincial and federal governments of Canada</u>, that they will know God's wisdom and govern with insight and compassion for all in Canada; and
- <u>churches in Canada</u>, that we will be compassionate and godly citizens representing Jesus Christ well, even as our country changes around us.

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