



Angus Stakes

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Look for the good

Listening to the political rhetoric mounting ahead of the presidential election, it is tempting to throw our hands up in exasperation and ask, "What's this world coming to?" The campaigns have focused so much on what's wrong with the other candidate and our nation that I really don't feel compelled to vote for either one. In all the mudslinging, we've missed what really matters: What exactly are the positives each candidate brings to the table?

Choose your outlook

One of the most helpful lessons of the *Bible* is the guidance to focus on the good rather than the bad (see *Romans 12* for one example). Focusing on the good helps us bring the light of Christ into the world, sharing hope. Where there is hope, there is

joy and there is confidence. That joy and confidence adds up to empowerment to offer change, and we sure could use more of that in this day and age.

When we read accounts of the founding fathers of this great country, they weren't focused on what was, they were focused on

the good of what could be. It inspired generations.

What are we doing to inspire future generations?

Rather than focusing on the ills of the day, we owe it to future generations to look at the good that we have in our lives — the opportunity to worship in the church of our choice, the ability to hop in a car and drive to Indianapolis to the Angus Convention, the choice of what vocation we want to follow, the ability to shut off the news and focus on something more positive that can better the lives of those around us.

Welcome arrivals

The *Angus Journal* family is growing. Congratulations to Kasey and Jared Brown. Jackson Stanton Brown was born Wednesday, Oct. 12, at 12:18 p.m., weighing 7 pounds (lb.) 11 ounces (oz.) and measuring 22 in. long. Grandparents are Kevyn and René Miller of Thorntown, Ind., and Mark and Sherrie Brown, Riviera, Texas.

Kasey is our senior associate editor.

Congratulations to Paige and Tyler Nelson. Sylvia Gail Nelson was born Wednesday, Sept. 14. She weighed 6 lb. 12 oz. and was 20 in. long. Grandparents are Lee and Cindy Miller of Saint Anthony, Idaho, and Keith and Penny Nelson of Rigby, Idaho.

Paige interned with us a couple of years ago and has been working as a field editor since.

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► Above: Paige, Sylvia Gail and Tyler Nelson

► Left: Jared, Jackson Stanton and Kasey Brown

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