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Happy Holidays

Dear Kevin,

As we move to the start of a new year in 2019, it offers us a time to reflect and build our personal commitment to civility and respect. Change begins with each of us and how we model what we want to see in the world. Here's a [Seven Day Civility Challenge](#) to support you in this commitment. Sign up to receive short tips with resources each day for seven days. Day 1 - is about making personal commitment to civility and respect, Day 2 - is about inspiration, Day 3- is about Respect, Day 4 - is about seeking out other opinions and listening to learn, Day 5 - is about connecting and active listening, Day 6 - is about building relationships and Day 7 - is about bridging differences.

As part of the "Initiative to Revive Civility and Respect" [15 major national faith groups](#) representing people from conservative to liberal beliefs are engaging local congregations in January to pray for our country to bridge the bitter partisan divide and promote greater civility and respect in public life. This "[National Call for Reflection, Prayer, and Reconciliation](#)" fostered by the National Institute for Civil Discourse and includes congregations around the country offering special prayers for

our leaders and for the healing of our nation. It is a good time to do this since it is the beginning of a new year and also a time of new beginnings in government. In all fifty states and in our nation's Capital, newly elected leaders are beginning their work along with those who were already in power. If you want to bring these prayers and activities to your congregation, you can find [ideas, tools and samples liturgies](#) to use at www.revivecivility.org.

We can do more together than we can do alone.
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