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On Monday, April 7, 2009, Rev. Walter Hoye was released from jail. You will recall from previous updates that Rev. Hoye was wrongfully convicted on January 15, 2009, for allegedly violating the City of Oakland, California's "bubble" law. Rev. Hoye was sentenced on March 20, 2009, to 30 days in the Alameda County jail and a fine. Rev. Hoye only served 18 of those 30 days.

Rev. Hoye's wife, Lori, reports that during his time in jail he had Bible studies with the inmates and led 6 men to Christ.

Other good news is that instead of just Rev. Hoye and the two elderly church women who accompanied him to the clinic in the past, the public sidewalk in front of the abortion clinic now draws a crowd of sidewalk counselors. A series of vigils aimed at painting the law for what it is, an attack on pro-life free speech, are now planned.

"They would have been in a better position if they would have left him alone. They picked on one man on one street, one day a week trying to reach one woman at a time with one sign for one hour," said Dion Evans, pastor of Alameda's Chosen Vessels Christian Church. "Now a mobilization has come together because they've created an unjust law. People like myself who have been cheerleading are not on the sidelines anymore. We're now in the game."

Life Legal Defense Foundation attorneys Allison Aranda, Catherine Short, and affiliated attorney Mike Millen, will appeal the trial court verdict. LLDF attorneys have also filed a Motion for Summary Judgment in the federal suit challenging the constitutionality of the ordinance. The hearing is set for May 1, 2009.

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