

Dear Friends,

This week we highlight research on family living arrangements, on divorce rates, and on church involvement in the election.

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The Three Love Diet

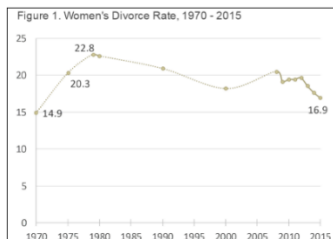
There is a very simple fact that social scientists have neglected to make clear to the country: Only a fraction of our children are fully nurtured, relationally, because of the breakdown in family structure over the last fifty years: Children in single parent homes get a one-love diet while children in always-intact married families get a three-love diet. [Continue reading...](#)

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Families and Living Arrangements

The majority of children live with two parents, according to statistics [released](#) by the U.S. Census Bureau. To dig deeper into their data on American families' living arrangements and various associated outcomes check [here](#).



Divorce Rate Drops

U.S. divorce rate rates have hit a forty year low, [reports](#) researchers at Bowling Green State University. Marriages, on the other hand, have slightly increased since last year.



Church Input on the Election

Only 14 percent of Americans who worship at least once a month say that their church made political information available to them prior to the election, [reports](#) the Pew Research Center. Note that there was no reporting on Black Churches, which have a history of more involvement in political races.

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- 1) [“State of the Family in America”](#)
- 2) [“State of the Family Across the States”](#)

3) [“Effects of Religious Practice on Society”](#)

With an eye to the child, the future of America,

Pat Fagan

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