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As an evangelical seminary graduate, I support the good work of churches and people of faith. However as a taxpaying citizen I believe that all non-profit organizations should be treated equally. It is unfair that churches have been given privileged treatment from the IRS these many years. Churches as organizations should not be exempt from the disclosure requirements that other 501(c)(3) organizations must adhere to. We, as taxpayers who directly subsidize tax-exempt groups, certainly have the right to know and review financial disclosures from churches. Since faith-based people believe that fairness is a human right for all people it makes sense that churches should accept that they, too, need to embrace IRS requirements as do all other 501(c)(3) organizations. I am optimistic that the IRS will level the playing field for all taxpayers and all non-profit organizations.

Cordially

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