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Gen 2:22 - And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.

THE STATE OF THE UNION

By John Arcaro

Marriage: *The act of uniting a man and woman for life; wedlock; the legal union of a man and woman for life. Marriage is a contract both civil and religious, by which the parties engage to live together in mutual affection and fidelity, till death shall separate them. Marriage was instituted by God Himself for the purpose of preventing the promiscuous intercourse of the sexes, for promoting domestic felicity, and for securing the maintenance and education of children.*



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As you can see from the above definition, today's society could learn a LOT from Webster's 1828 dictionary. With regard to the union of marriage, we are currently at an historical crossroads. First the good news: Divorce rates in the U.S. are declining slightly. Contrary to what is portrayed in the mainstream media, most children in this country are still living with their

own two married parents.

Indeed, Americans raised their voices loud and clear at the ballot box in November of 2008, (unfortunately, not in the Presidential

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Wheels of Love

By Ralph Davis

Are you an Ostrich? Is your head buried deep in the sand? Are you the type of Christian that covers your eyes and your ears as this bizarre world spins by you?

Are you superior; self righteous about your life and how you run it? Are you a feeling good, do-gooder? Do you make your appearances at your church, toss some dough in the collection plate, or assist in a committee and go home beaming about yourself? Or are you an armchair Christian, sitting at home sighing and judging and writing out your checks to televangelists?

Has God become just another option out there to toy with and use as we wish? Do you cast out your prayers as you would purchase a lottery ticket, hoping you'll win

"this time?" Do you get your direction from Oprah or Time magazine or do you sharpen your decision skills as a regular



CNN viewer? Have you become a mere sponge, absorbing it all and squeezing out whatever is distasteful or doesn't feel right?

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Christians Use Prophecy To Excuse Laziness

By Chuck Baldwin

In response to my two previous columns regarding the current development of a devilish New World Order, many professing Christians wrote me with comments to the effect that we should not be concerned about whatever global tyranny may be developing, because "it's all a part of God's plan," or "Jesus is coming soon," and similar statements. I, too, believe in the imminent return of Jesus Christ to earth. But, then again, so did Christians from every generation over the last two millennia. In fact, the Apostle Paul was look-

ing for the return of Christ while he lived (Philippians 3:20). But does anticipation of Christ's Second Coming excuse personal neglect, indifference, and downright laziness? Of course not.



Had pastors and Christians of colonial America believed and acted as most Christians believe and act today, this country would still be a Crown colony and we

would never have known the freedoms and liberties that our forebears bequeathed to us. Christians of that era, however, believed that it was their duty and obligation to fight for

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AS IN THE DAYS OF NOAH

By Chuck Smith

"As we watch the downward spiral of our society today, we realize that a powder keg is ready to explode. Something has got to change."

We look at the deteriorating moral values in our nation—the divorce rate, abortion, pornography, drug addiction and child abuse. We witness what has transpired in the homosexual community. We are shocked at the violent crimes, the drive-by shootings and the terrorism that plagues our world. What is the world coming to? Is the end near?

What will be the signs of Jesus' coming and the end of the world? This was the very same question Jesus' disciples asked. Jesus' answer to them and to us is found in Matthew 24:37-39:

As the days of Noah were, so shall also the

coming of the Son of Man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that [Noah] entered into the ark, and knew not until



Replica of Noah's Ark in the Netherlands

the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of Man be.

Genesis 6:5 tells us what was going on in

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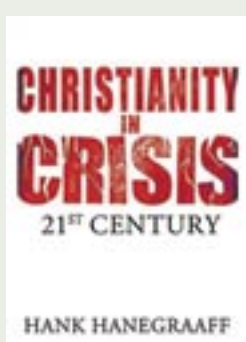
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Pull your head from the sand for just one moment (I know it's scary), or uncover your ears and hear this; God loves us all, the whole world, even you (John 3:16a). Just as He wants none of us to perish, (2 Peter 3:9) He demands that we love Him wholly and completely and commands that we love our neighbors as ourselves (See Matthew 22:34-40). I'll use this as an starting point for me to implore you to wake up and start recognizing that there are thousands in this state that do not share any of the creature comforts that you have. There are people on the street.

It does not make any difference at all if you hold a negative opinion of individuals that are poor, homeless, or demoralized. Sure, there are the addicted, the dishonest and the "habitual" on the streets, but most are not. Yet somehow we have assigned ourselves the role of judge and jury. Most of us are oblivious, as we drive by them in our warm cars on a bitter cold day. We wipe our mouths with cloth napkins as we idly gaze out of the Providence restaurant windows as a hungry soul marches by.

We are often self-assured and way too comfortable with our lot as the number of downtrodden grows at an alarming rate. Somehow, even with the ever-rising unemployment rate and with thou-

sands of people being bounced out of their jobs with no advance warning, we still feel secure.

What does God think? Fortunately, in His greatness and His love He made it clear; He loves us all. Often unnoticed in scripture are the words of Jesus Christ in Luke 4:18 when He announced the beginning of His ministry. He said, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor. He has sent Me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to free those who are broken and to proclaim the favorable year of the Lord. Jesus also said, "Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of mine, even the *least* of them, you did it to Me." (Matthew 25:34-46). In the eyes of our Heavenly Father, there are no excuses for not helping others; none.

There are state and private agencies, of course, which do their

best to try to meet the needs of the chronic but with the barrage of new-homeless, it is clearly not enough. Their resources are limited and the issues far too diverse. There are the individuals who reach out with their financial support, who volunteer at the soup kitchens and shelters and do so with sympathy and love. There are small Christ-centered groups that get right into the heart of things, crying out and reaching out in the darkest corners of the streets bringing food, warmth, and the love of God. Yes, there is some love and genuine interest shown; some attempts to help lessen the painful grip that homelessness has on so many... but why so little? Why does a state that has several hundred churches and about one million residents have so many hungry mouths and people sleeping in dilapidated settings? Answer: you...YOU are the missing link.

There are some churches in Rhode Island who *do* love the broken, browbeaten, discouraged (and cold and hungry) individuals that we pass on the streets. That being said, we were pleased this



Jackie, Lenny and Jennifer

last month when we received a letter and flyer from Leonard and Jennifer Watkins from the Gospel Tabernacle Outreach Ministries (GOTM) Church announcing a new "Love on Wheels" ministry. With the deadline for my March article barely 48 hours away, I decided to visit their church to meet Leonard and Jennifer. As I approached the church, located at 145 Oakland Avenue in Providence, I could hear the wonderful, heartfelt praise and worship for at least one block before I even got to the building!

I was warmly greeted and guided towards a seat. Immediately I could almost see the electricity crackle through the sanctuary as Jesus was repeatedly raised up as Lord and Savior through praise, song and prayer. Hands clap, feet stomp and some hands rise as Jesus Christ is worshiped throughout a two hour block of time. Such excitement and such joy was so moving to see! All of

us visitors were recognized during the service and many approached me individually to say hello. Three people responded to the "Altar call" and accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior and six re-committed their lives. The love of Jesus is, of course, the source of their desire to reach out.

I was impressed that the church is named an "Outreach Ministry."

That, of course, implies reaching *outside* of the church and that is what they do. One example is LOVE ON WHEELS. Try to imagine what it would be like if, each and every day; you have to carry around all that you possess! A homeless person's posses-

sions are reduced to the clothes on his/her back, changes or clothes, some hygiene products and any other personal items. It might be a backpack, duffel bag or even a large trash bag but it must be carried and protected all day, every day; otherwise it might be stolen or destroyed.

LOVE ON WHEELS is a segment of the "Psalm 91 Ministry Outreach to the Homeless" which is coordinated by Jacqueline (Jackie) Wagner. The idea is for folks to donate backpacks with wheels, which are then filled with personal hygiene products, socks, hats, gloves, bottles of water and an array of other items of use to the homeless. Jackie and Jennifer explained that part of the problem with carrying items around is that it is unsightly. For instance, if a person wants to apply for a job, the belongings have to be carried in. It would be much neater and more normal to wheel something in, they say.

Jackie understands the problems facing the homeless; for many years she was a drug addicted, homeless person in New Jersey. It was such a pleasure speaking with Jackie. Her love for our Lord Jesus Christ is quite evident and her desire to help the homeless contagious. She is considering joining one of the teams that cruise the Providence streets late at night ministering to the home-



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less. She chose Psalm 91 as the name of the ministry because of verses 1-2: "He who dwells in the *shelter* of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the almighty. I will say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress, My God in whom I trust!'"

Leonard and Jennifer Watkins lead the Missions component of the church, in which Psalm 91 is a portion. They have two daughters, Crystal, age nine and Chelsey, who is eight. These girls are already very active in the church. Jennifer has been employed for over ten years at one of the states largest homeless advocacy programs. In her role she often sees, firsthand, the many challenges facing people who are homeless. She sees the homeless individuals struggling as they carry their possessions from place to place. Leonard is a phlebotomist (one who draws blood in a clinic). A deacon in the church, there is a serenity and glow about him as he discusses the outreach ministries. A youth leader, he proudly described how motivated and useful the youth of the church are when it comes to helping others!

In contrast to the numbers in need, Gospel Tabernacle Outreach Ministries in its outreach efforts to the homeless is just a small blip on the radar screen. Fortunately there are many other small blips out there; folks that bring a ray of light and

an assurance of God's love to each and every person they serve. The bottom line, however, is that there are not enough people reaching out to the homeless. There are not enough individuals humble enough to recognize that there really is a very thin line between us and them; homelessness can and does happen to people just like us.

Admittedly the initial tone of this article sounds harsh; it was meant to. Homelessness is a harsh reality; often overlooked; sometimes we need to be shaken. Won't you, today, reach out and touch someone?

For information about the Gospel Tabernacle Outreach Ministries church including soup kitchen



and clothing distribution days, call 401-454-0988. You may also want to call The Rhode Island Coalition For The Homeless at 401-421-6458. Or, you can call any local church to offer your help or support. If a church tells you that they have no programs to assist the homeless, ask them "Why?"

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right and do everything within their power to resist tyranny. They also believed that God would honor and bless their efforts, which He certainly did!

It is extremely difficult for me to reconcile the apathy and slave-like mentality that seems to permeate modern Christendom (in America) with both our own heritage and the very Word of God. For example, the Apostle Paul is very clear when he writes that a Christian must never “do evil, that good may come” (Romans 3:8). Yet, that is exactly what many, if not most, Christians are doing today.

When confronted with an obvious evil (a burgeoning tyrannical New World Order, not to mention a number of lesser evils), modern Christians will shrug and glibly say, “It’s God’s will; we must not oppose it,” or words to that effect. This attitude says, “I will tolerate or even condone evil in order to hasten Christ’s return.”

In the first place, no one knows when Christ will return, no matter how many books or tapes they have produced to say they do. In Acts chapter 1, Jesus was asked by His disciples if He would, at that time, set up His kingdom. The first words out of His mouth were, “It is not for you to know.” Oh, we can speculate, surmise, and make educated guesses, but that’s the best we can do. It’s time we were honest enough to admit it: only God knows when Christ will return.

In fact, Jesus said, “But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only” (Matthew 24:36).

In the meantime, millions of Christians across America are trying to play God. They talk as if they know when Christ will

come. It’s actually worse than that. They have the attitude that they have no personal responsibility to defend freedom and resist despotism. They seem to look at God as some kind of glorified fireman, who is obligated to rush in at the last minute to rescue them from a burning fire—a fire that they helped ignite, or at least, refused to put out themselves when they had the opportunity to do so. It’s the old, “God would not let that happen in America” syndrome.

How arrogant can we be? Ask believers from despotic regimes around the world what they think about God letting tribulation come, and they will quickly tell you, “We are already in tribulation.” Are Christians in the United States really that arrogant as to believe that God loves them more than He loves believers in other countries? If not, can we not see that if believers around the world have suffered (and still suffer) the heavy hand of tyranny and oppression, it is certainly possible for tyranny and oppression to come to our land? The fact is, the only reason that Christians in America have not (for the most part) suffered tyranny and oppression is because of the hard work and sacrifice of our forefathers. We are simply enjoying the fruit of their labor.

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God would do, if we only had the backbone to do our duty? How do we know that God would not give America “a new birth of freedom” for our children and grandchildren, if we only had the courage and fortitude to oppose the evil being thrust upon us by these would-be tyrants? America is only the “land of the free,” because it was the “home of the brave.” Take away the latter and we lose the former. And that is exactly what is currently happening.

In the third place, Christians have a moral imperative to resist evil, even if their efforts are fruitless. We are not responsible for outcome, only effort. Believers throughout history acted on principle, leaving the results with God. (Read Hebrews chapter 11.) Some were delivered; some were not. That did not matter. What mattered was doing one’s duty. We Christians are to give our bodies as “a living sacrifice” (Romans 12:1). It is God’s prerogative to use our sacrifice as He sees fit. Therefore, there is no such thing as a “losing effort,” when it comes to doing right. Doing right (resisting evil) is its own reward. The three Hebrew children were not commended because God delivered them from the burning fiery furnace; they were commended because they were willing to go into the burning fiery furnace. So must we be.

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the days of Noah. “God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.” As we look at our world today, we see the parallel—the movie industry corrupting our values, television defiling our homes, children’s video games teaching violence—all these are polluting people’s minds until the thoughts and the imagination of man’s heart is continually evil.

We read in Genesis 6:11 that “the earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence.” Pick up the newspaper and you will see the hostility that fills the earth. Our nation’s morality has sunk to the place where Ruth Graham once said, “If God doesn’t judge America, He will need to apologize to Sodom and Gomorrah!”
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I would say that the world right now is very much like it was in the days of Noah. Jesus pointed out that in Noah’s day, the people were totally oblivious to the coming judgment of God. They were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage. It was pretty much business as usual. There was no awareness that the judgment of God was about to fall upon them. They did not realize anything was wrong until Noah went into the ark and the rain began to fall.

People today do not realize how ripe the world is for judgment. God is trying to shake us from our lethargy and wake us up. We see a worldwide financial crisis, disasters, earthquakes, hurricanes, fires, floods, famines and the AIDS epidemic. But try to suggest to a worldly person that these indicate the beginning of sorrows and God’s judgment, and they will laugh at you. The world may acknowledge their belief in the existence

I believe the real reason why so many professing Christians are so apathetic and indifferent to what is happening has nothing to do with the teachings of Scripture, Bible doctrine, eschatology, or anything of the like. It has everything to do with old-fashioned laziness. Today’s average Christian just flat does not want to be bothered. He has a comfortable house, an easy chair, television, and a set of golf clubs in the closet. He takes two or three weeks’ vacation every year, goes to church on Sunday (a church that does not intrude on his comfort zone, of course), pays taxes, and votes for his favorite “pro-life” Republican candidate every two years, and assumes that he is a “good” Christian and “patriotic” American. He is neither!

A real Christian patriot would never allow his country to be taken over by a gaggle of elitist goons bent on stealing his liberties—including his religious liberties—without doing everything in his power to prevent it. A real Christian patriot is active, alert, engaged, zealous, and committed to preserving liberty.

What if Jesus doesn’t come for another 100 years? Another 200 years? What are we going to say to our grandchildren when they ask us what we were doing when our freedoms and liberties were being stolen? What will we say to our Christian forebears when we meet them in eternity? They sacrificed everything so that we could live in peace and freedom. What will we say to them? What will we say to God, who handed this land of liberty to us on a silver (albeit blood-soaked) platter?

Tell me again

of God, but they live as though God does not exist. There is a total lack of fear of a holy and righteous God.

The Prophet Isaiah said, “Woe unto them who call evil good, and good evil” (Isaiah 5:20). Speaking of the future woes that are coming

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that “there is nothing we can do about it,” or “it’s God’s will,” or “Jesus is coming soon.” Better yet, tell it again to the suffering Christians around the world; tell it again to our Christian forebears; tell it again to your children and grandchildren who are going to inherit a land of tyranny and oppression, all because you were too lazy to resist.

I know unbelievers who have more character and determination about preserving liberty than many who call themselves Christians. And I have a ton more respect for them, too. Our Lord told us, “For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required” (Luke 12:48). Yes, Christians in America have been given the best of both worlds, and many do not even appreciate it enough to see to it that their own children—their own flesh and blood—will live to enjoy the same blessings. They are pathetic!

So, the next time you hear some piety-draped Christian talking about how he won’t engage the enemy and fight for liberty, because of prophecy, or some other spiritually-sounding platitude, just remember, it has nothing to do with prophecy, or anything of the sort: it has everything to do with old-fashioned laziness. My feeling toward him is the same as that of Sam Adams (a fellow Christian) toward the Tories of old: “If ye love wealth better than liberty, the tranquility of servitude than the animating contest for freedom—go home from us in peace. We ask not your counsels or arms. Crouch down and lick the hands which feed you. May your chains sit lightly upon you, and may posterity forget that ye were our countrymen!” Amen!

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race) as true marriage was a big winner. Voters approved three state constitutional amendments defining marriage as only between one man and one woman.

We are all familiar with the Proposition 8 victory in California, but this was the most modest – 52% in favor – of the three victories. Arizona’s voters responded with a 56% approval, and the margin in Florida was overwhelming, a whopping 62% to 38% landslide!

Now for the bad news: the homosexual lobby is now stronger and bolder than ever, and is attempting to pull an end run around the will of the people. Having lost both in the courts and at the ballot box – where state marriage amendments have been 100% successful, a perfect 30 for 30 – true marriage opponents have shifted their attention to the state legislatures. The Sean Penns of this republic are currently attempting to shove homosexual marriage down our throats via the legislative process. In fact, in the next couple of years, if there are not dramatic changes in the makeup of our state houses and senates, there is a strong likelihood of same-sex marriage laws being passed in **California, New Jersey, New York, Maine, New Hampshire, and...Rhode Island.** Yes, brethren, the enemy never gives up, so we must be forever vigilant.

More bad news: the Church as a body really hasn’t been vigilant, having been lulled into a false sense of security

(“Oh, that could never happen HERE! Maybe in California, but not HERE!”) by focusing too much on what God can do for us, rather than what we should be doing to stand up for Him. Those of us who have been fighting this battle have taken the high road by proclaiming God’s Word at public hearings in our state houses in the



face of stiff opposition. Unfortunately, most politicians are either totally opposed to the Gospel, or completely disregard religious arguments during legislative hearings (having fallen for the fallacy of “Separation of Church and State”).

Because most biblical arguments for true marriage have fallen on deaf ears, it is now time for the Church to debate this issue on a natural law basis. Let’s face it: quoting Scripture to politicians is



like speaking Greek to a five-year-old who’s never heard a word of it. And speaking of five-year-olds,

we have a STRONG incentive to take this argument not only to the public square, but also directly to our elected officials: our children...and our families. Did you know...

Marriage reduces the risk of poverty for children and communities - The majority of children whose parents don’t get or stay married experience at least a year of poverty.

Fatherless households increase crime - Boys whose parents divorced or never married, for example, are two to three times more likely to end up in jail as adults.

Marriage protects children’s physical and mental health - Children whose parents get and stay married are healthier and also much less likely to suffer mental illness, including depression and teen suicide.

Both men and women who marry live longer, healthier and happier lives - On virtually every measure of health and well-being, married people are better off than otherwise similar singles, on average.

Just living together is not the same as marriage - Married couples who cohabit first are thirty to fifty percent more likely to divorce. People who just live together do not get the same boost to health, welfare and happiness, on average, as spouses. Neither do their children. Children whose parents cohabit are at increased risk for domestic violence

and child abuse and neglect. Children born to parents who were just living together are also three times

more likely to experience their parents’ breakup by age 5.

Parents who don’t get or stay married put children’s education at risk - Children whose parents divorced or never married have lower grade-point averages, are more likely to be held back a grade, and to drop out of school. They are also less likely to end up college graduates.

When marriages fail, ties between parents and children typically weaken too - Adult children whose parents divorced are only half as likely to have warm, close ties to both their mothers and their fathers. For example, in one large national survey, 65% of adult children of divorce reported



they were not close to their fathers (compared to 29% of adults from intact marriages).

As you can clearly see, the case for true BIBLICAL marriage (re-read the Webster’s definition above) is overwhelming. And the above facts can be easily understood by virtually every politician you encounter...so be sure such encounters take place in full public view with cameras rolling!

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lost. However, when going into battle against the principalities and powers, remember to speak Greek to the Greeks. Because the state of our Union – and our unions – depends on it.

Editor’s Note: The above facts, as well as much more information – INCLUDING LEGISLATIVE ALERTS – can be found at www.nationformarriage.org, or www.nomrhodeisland.org, the websites of the National Organization for Marriage, which is helping to defend true marriage nationwide. If you are ready to stand up for God on this critical issue, you can learn how, when, and where to do so by educating yourself and taking action TODAY.

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upon the earth, the angel proclaims in Revelation 8:13, “Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!” A day of reckoning is coming.

We see prophecies rapidly fulfilled before our very eyes. I believe the current economic crisis—and it’s not just a crisis here in America but a worldwide crisis—is going to force a joining together of the nations, a one-world union as prophesied in the Book of Revelation. It’s going to be moving in that direction. And as we look at the situation in Israel, we see their concern about the need to defend

themselves against the possibility of a nuclear attack from other nations. Who and what can save us? Increased knowledge can’t save us. The government can’t save us. Neither can science nor Greenpeace save our planet.

So what does America need today? Rather than the homosexual community coming out of the closet, we need godly parents who will go into the closet and pray for their children, for their families, for the school system and the community. We need a spiritual revival to sweep our land. I believe more could be accomplished for good if we gathered together for times of prayer. Without a spiritual awakening, let’s face it, our nation is through. We need to

realize that the only hope is to pray and to teach morality from a biblical base; that the Bible is the only true basis for morality.

We need men and women in our Congress and Senate who love God and fear Him. We need God’s people to humble themselves and pray, and seek God’s face and turn from their wicked ways. You see—we’re either part of the problem or we’re a solution to the problem!

The only hope for the future is the coming again of Jesus Christ. Only Jesus can save us. This is what Jesus is talking about in Matthew 24, the day of the Lord’s coming, the day of the establishing of the Kingdom of God. He said, “Immediately after the tribulation of those days ... they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory” (Matthew 24:29-30).

This will be the day when, according to the Book of Revelation, “God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away” (Revelation 21:4). The day when “He [that is, Jesus] shall judge among the nations.

... nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more” (Isaiah 2:4).

As we face the conditions of the world today, we see the same conditions that existed in the days of Noah. We realize that judgment is not far off. So let us pray that God will draw our hearts unto the things of the Spirit and free us from the bondage of corruption that holds the world in its grip. And let us pray—as God’s people—to have a real heart and concern for our families and for our nation—for a spiritual revival in our land. As we see the deteriorating condition of the world around us, it should be a wake-up call for us to live godly, righteous, holy lives, placing our minds, hearts

and priorities on eternal values.

We don’t know what 2009 may hold for us—joys, sorrows, victories or defeats. But we do know that the Lord has promised to be with us, and He’s promised to help us. He has promised to guide us. So with this reminder, let us commit our ways to Him, knowing that He will bring to pass His perfect will in our lives.

May the Lord be with you and bless you. May the Lord’s hand be upon you to guide you. May His Spirit inspire you to a greater commitment to Jesus than you’ve ever had before, as we look forward to that glorious day of the Lord and the establishment of His Kingdom on the earth.

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“For the LORD thy God hath blessed thee in all the works of thy hand.” Deut. 2:7

National News

ELCA Lutherans To Consider Gay Clergy

(EP News)--The nation's largest Lutheran denomination will consider allowing individual congregations to choose whether to allow gays and lesbians in committed relationships to serve as clergy. A task force of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America recommended that move in a long-awaited report on ministry standards released on Feb. 19. The report, issued at the same time as a broader church social statement on human sexuality, seeks balance on an issue dividing many Protestant churches. Both documents will be considered in August in Minneapolis at the biannual convention of the 4.7-million member denomination. "At this point, there is no consensus in the church," the Rev. Peter Strommen of Prior Lake, Minn., chairman of the 15-member task force on sexuality, told the Associated Press. "The question ends up being, 'How are we going to live together in that absence of consensus?'"

"Glamour" Magazine Tells Stories Of Women Who Regret Abortions

(EP News)--In its March issue, Glamour magazine does something unexpected for a mainstream magazine by focusing on the stories of women who have been emotionally harmed by their abortions. Care Net President Melinda Delahoyde thanked the magazine for giving voice to women whose abortion was a traumatic experience and has caused them emotional pain. Care Net is the nation's largest organization focusing on abortion alternatives. "All too often, magazines like 'Glamour' will shy away from publishing women's raw abortion stories," Delahoyde said. "By allowing some women to share about the 'emotional hell' they have gone through, this issue treats the abortion experience more honestly."

Pastor Sentenced to Jail for Opposing Abortion on Public Sidewalk

(EP News) - On Feb. 19 the Rev. Walter Hoye of Berkeley, Calif., was sentenced to serve 30-days in county jail by the Alameda Superior Court after being found guilty on Jan. 15, 2009, of unlawfully approaching a person entering an abortion clinic in Oakland. The court is allowing Rev. Hoye to serve his time by an alternative method like community service. Rev. Hoye was fined a total of \$1,130 and ordered to stay away from the clinic. Hoye, who is African-American, said he was at the clinic because he was "standing in the gap for black children targeted by the abortion industry." Rev. Hoye said he "feels a special calling to work for the end of the genocide-by-abortion taking place in the African-American community." According to 2004 statistics from the National Center for Health Statistics, about 37

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percent of pregnancies of black women end in abortion, compared with 12 percent for non-Hispanic white women and 19 percent for Hispanic women.

Homeschool Freedom Under Fire in New Hampshire

(EP News)--New Hampshire Rep. Judith Day is the sole sponsor of legislation that would radically rewrite the testing and assessment portion of the New Hampshire homeschool law. "If passed, New Hampshire would have one of the most restrictive homeschool laws in the nation," said Mike Donnelly, staff attorney for Home School Legal Defense Association. The current New Hampshire law is already more burdensome than most states. In addition to an annual notice homeschoolers must provide an annual statement of academic progress and maintain two years of records and instructional materials. The proposed law would require all homeschoolers to take both a test, and to submit to a portfolio evaluation by a "credentialed educator." It then places subjective authority in the hands of a superintendent or non-public school principle to terminate a family's homeschool program.

Pope Reminds Pelosi about Church's Pro-Life Tenets

(EP News)--House Speaker Nancy Pelosi visited Pope Benedict XVI while traveling abroad this week and reportedly was chided by the pontiff for her anti-life stance. The meeting was closed to the press, but the Vatican said the pope told the Catholic Pelosi about the "requirements of the natural moral law and the Church's consistent teaching on the dignity of human life from conception to natural death." According to the statement, Benedict said legislators have a special duty to create "a just system of laws capable of protecting human life at all stages of its development." Pelosi had a different perspective on the meeting. On her Web site, she praised "the Church's leadership in fighting poverty, hunger and global warming," as well as the pope's "dedication to religious freedom."

Assisted Suicide bill filed in Massachusetts Legislature

By Brian Camenker - Mass Resistance

In 1997, Oregon became the first state in the Union to legalize physician-assisted suicide, by a statewide vote. This past November, Washington became the second state, also by a vote. This year, if the "culture of death" crowd has its way, Massachusetts will become the third state.

Last month, Rep. Louis Kafka (D-Stoughton) filed a bill in the Massachusetts Legislature that is nearly word-for-word copy of the nearly-identical Oregon and

North Dakota Personhood Bill Passes, First in U.S. History

(EP News)--Signaling the growing momentum of the personhood movement, North Dakota lawmakers approved HB 1572 with a vote of 51-41. Rep. Dan Ruby introduced the "Personhood" bill, which affirms the rights of pre-born humans and states: "For purposes of interpretation of the constitution and laws of North Dakota, it is the intent of the legislative assembly that an individual, a person, when the context indicates that a reference to an individual is intended, or a human being includes any organism with the genome of homo sapiens."

Thousands of calls to legislators were made by pro-life grassroots volunteers who helped with this victory. Only one representative voiced opposition to the bill during the debate of the bill, while overwhelming public support was seen.

"Personhood USA applauds the leadership and support that the North Dakota Life League and North Dakota Family Alliance have shown to make this victory happen," stated Keith Mason of Personhood USA. He continued, "We thank Rep. Dan Ruby for his courage and for

being actively pro-life. This great family man with his wife and 10 children are an example to us all."

"North Dakotans have gotten used to cold temperatures like -44 degrees, but they haven't gotten used to child-killing. We applaud and support their efforts to protect every baby by love and by law," commented Cal Zastrow, who, along with his family, worked on the North Dakota bill at the grassroots level.

The next step for HB 1572 is to be voted on by the North Dakota Senate which could happen in the next two weeks. "HB 1572 brings us one step closer to applying the same laws that apply to you and me, to all humans," said Daniel Woodard, lobbyist with North Dakota Life League.

Personhood USA is a grassroots Christian organization founded to establish personhood efforts across America. Six other states have efforts underway to protect the personhood of pre-born children. In addition, Rep. Duncan Hunter has introduced H.R. 881, the Right to Life Act, on the federal level, propelling the personhood move-

ment forward.

These states are Maryland, Montana, South Carolina, and Alabama. Oregon has begun a personhood amendment petition drive, and Mississippi's personhood amendment petition drive is expected to launch within weeks.

The common thread among all of these efforts is the goal to fill what is becoming known as the "Blackmun Hole" in Roe v. Wade. This is where Justice Blackmun implied in the Roe v. Wade decision that if the case were established that the pre-born was a person, the argument for abortion collapses. In Roe v. Wade, it is acknowledged that the "fetus" is fully human, but did not grant the rights of "persons" until birth.

"Personhood USA is standing with strong support for all of these efforts. We are committed to working tirelessly to establish personhood in every State, because this is the only way to restore dignity to the humans most vulnerable among us," stated Cal Zastrow of Personhood USA.

Transgender janitor shocks elem. school parents

By Pete Chagnon - OneNewsNow

A pro-family advocate says parents in one Massachusetts town were perplexed when they received a letter from the school district explaining changes the janitor made over the summer break.

At the beginning of the 2008-09 school year, parents at the Clara Barton Elementary School in Oxford, Massachusetts, received a letter from the principal and superintendent, informing them that one of the school custodians had "changed his gender role" and is now a woman.

The school officials then informed parents that if their children, whose ages range from five-to-ten years old, ask school employees any questions concerning the custodian, they believe that "the best thing to tell them is that our custodian used to be a man. She has changed her gender and is now a woman."

Brian Camenker with Mass-Resistance is appalled. "Whether parents like that idea or not, [the school] decided that they were going to introduce this to

kids if there were any questions. That's extremely outrageous," he contends. "The whole idea that someone like this should be in the public schools, of course, is beyond belief."

He says his organization was made aware of the situation when the uncle of a student gave him a copy of the letter. "From what I understand, everybody is afraid to speak out because they are afraid that their kids will be treated badly

[and be subject to] retribution by the school officials," he notes.

Camenker believes parents are also fearful of liberals in the community and finds it troubling there is a climate of fear against speaking out. He adds that on the reverse side of the letter, school officials listed radical homosexual websites in order for parents to get more information on "transgender issues."

Lesbian Couple Who Forced Homosexual "Marriage" On Massachusetts Have Filed For Divorce

By Thaddeus M. Baklinski

BOSTON (LifeSiteNews.com) - Julie and Hillary Goodridge, the lesbian couple who led the fight for same-sex "marriage" in Massachusetts in 2003, filed for divorce in Suffolk Probate and Family Court last Thursday, the Boston Herald reported yesterday. The two lesbians, who share custody of their 12-year-old daughter Annie, "married" on May 17, 2004, the first day same-sex "marriages" became legal under a Massachusetts court ruling. It was reported that the couple broke up two years after their ground-break-

ing "wedding."

Kris Mineau, president of the Massachusetts Family Institute, a pro-family public policy organization founded on Judeo-Christian values, commented on the development: "Divorce is a very painful issue, but I also can't help but reflect on the pain this couple has caused the commonwealth (of Massachusetts) and the nation to redefine marriage. And now they're getting divorced? It doesn't make a lot of sense," Mineau said. "Obviously, they don't hold the institution in very high esteem."

authorize a physician or any other person to end a patient's life by lethal injection, mercy killing or active euthanasia. Actions taken in accordance with this act shall not, for any purpose, constitute suicide, assisted suicide, mercy killing or homicide, under the law."

It then proceeds to describe, essentially, those very things. It's as if language has no meaning anymore.

Unfortunately, no formal bill numbers have yet been assigned to this legislative session. Usually that would have been done weeks ago. As soon as that

happens, we will post them at www.massresistance.org.

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More Than 60 Chinese House Church Leaders Arrested

By Michael Ireland

HENAN, CHINA (ANS) -- More than 60 house church leaders, along with two South Korean pastors, were arrested by local police on February 11, 2009, in Wolong district, Nanyang city in China's Henan province. The house church leaders came from four provinces to attend a seminar, according to ChinaAid. ChinaAid said the leaders are all evangelical Christians from different house church groups. The two South Korean pastors, whose last names are Kim and Chang, came as speakers.

More than 30 police from Nanyang Public Security Bureau (PSB) and (NSB) broke into the meeting place, arresting all the Christians and escorting them to Nanyang

Jingda Hotel. Police took away all the personal belongings of the Christians, including money, cell phones, books, bags and daily necessities. They did not give the house church leaders receipts for confiscated items. Police forced each person to register and to pay a fine. The police then released some elderly believers.

Nanyang authorities summoned police from the home provinces of the arrested Christians. The provincial police were given authority to escort the Christians back to their home cities to be held in detention in local facilities. The two South Korean pastors were expelled from China on February 14 for "engaging in illegal religious activities" and have been banned from entering China for

five years.

On February 16, two more house church leaders were released after ChinaAid published this press release in Chinese. After receiving calls from foreign journalists, authorities released the leaders. ChinaAid says it will continue to send updates about this situation and the four house church leaders still in police custody.

Contact the Public Security Bureau of Nanyang City and request the immediate release of the four imprisoned house church leaders: E-mail: nygajdzzw@163.com or call Tel+86-377-63311110, ext20193 or 22006 Fax+86-377-63311110, ext22020 or 22013 Address: No. 1, Zhangheng Road, Nanyang city, Henan, CHINA

G7 sets sights on new world order

By correspondents in Rome

(Agence France-Presse) THE world's richest nations have called for urgent reform of global finance to save the world from the economic devastation that is dragging more and more countries into recession. Italy's finance minister called for a "new world economic order" as he wrapped up the crisis meeting of finance leaders from the Group of Seven leading economies over which he presided here.

In a joint declaration, the G7 called for "urgent reforms" of the international financial system. Mr Tremonti said a so-called set of "legal standards" discussed in Rome would be presented at a meeting of 20 key advanced and emerging economies (G20) in London in April and a summit

of the Group of Eight (G8) world powers in July.

"A new world economic order might seem rhetorical," he said. "But it is a true goal we should be aiming towards... today right here in Rome we've embarked on a very significant journey, both technical and ethical."

The G7 delegates in a joint statement vowed to avoid protectionism - when countries take measures that favour their economies at the expense of others - as they seek to stabilise the tottering world economy and financial markets and said stabilisation of the world economy was their "highest priority". The global crisis "has highlighted fundamental weaknesses in the international financial system and that urgent reforms are needed",

the statement said.

US treasury secretary Timothy Geithner vowed that his country, the biggest economy in the world and the source of much of the financial drama in recent months, would work with other nations for a consensus on reforms. "We need to begin the process of comprehensive reform of our financial system and the international financial system, so the world never again faces a crisis this severe," Mr Geithner said after the talks.

Dominique Strauss-Kahn, head of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) - the body coming to the rescue of some crisis-hit countries - said restructuring banks damaged by the credit crunch was the main problem facing governments. Delegates came from the G7 grouping of Britain, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan and the United States plus Russia.

Bush shoe thrower wanted 'to restore Iraqi pride'

By Sinan Salaheddin

(Baghdad) The Iraqi journalist who threw his shoes at George Bush, the then president of the United States, struck a defiant tone as his trial began yesterday - telling the judges he was driven by a desire to restore the pride of his war-ravaged country.

It was Muntadhar al-Zeidi's first public appearance since he was arrested in December for throwing his shoes at Mr Bush during a press conference in Baghdad with Nouri al-Maliki, Iraq's prime minister. The act turned the obscure 30-year-old into a cult hero throughout much of the Middle East.

"What made me do it was the humiliation Iraq has been subjected to due to the US occupation and the murder of innocent people," Zeidi said. "I wanted to restore the pride of the Iraqis." He also told the court he was tortured with beatings and electric shocks during his interrogation - allegations the Iraqi government has denied.

The trial was adjourned until

12 March for the court to find out whether Mr Bush's visit was "formal or informal". Zeidi's lawyer said he had been charged with assaulting a foreign leader, which carries a maximum sentence of 15 years.

When throwing his shoes at Mr

Bush, he shouted in Arabic: "This is your farewell kiss, you dog! This is from the widows, the orphans and those who were killed in Iraq." He told the court yesterday he had intended no harm to Mr Bush or embarrassment to Mr Maliki, but he did not apologize for his actions.

Christian Party offices vandalized after launch of bus adverts

by Maria Mackay

The offices of the Christian Party were vandalized following the launch of a new bus advertising campaign proclaiming that there is a God. The adverts were launched by the party last Thursday in response to the British Humanist Association's bus adverts, which state, "There probably is no God. Now stop worrying and enjoy your life." The Christian Party's adverts are displayed on 50 London buses and carry the slogan: "There definitely is a God. So join the Christian Party and enjoy your life." Police have launched an investigation after the front windows of the party's London headquarters were found smashed in on Saturday morning. The police suspect the incident to be a religious hate crime.

Leader of the Christian Party, the Rev George Hargreaves, said the incident was a "sign of the times" but vowed to continue on with the campaign. "I'm disappointed more than shocked," he said, describing how in Scotland the Christian Party had experienced similar acts of violence when protesters tore down their campaign posters. "It's just a shame that people who are intolerant of Christianity feel that they need to destroy property and to be violent," he continued. "We are not phased by it. What was intended for evil will be used for good. If they break our windows, we will just put in new windows. "We don't have to get violent or angry about it. We just have to love the Lord, keep a good witness and the Lord will do the rest." The party launched the same advert in a six-week campaign in Scotland on February 24.

World News

Gaza rockets continue to hit southern Israel

(Israel Today) Palestinian terrorists operating out of the Gaza Strip fired a rocket at a small town in southern Israel on Sunday morning, causing no injuries or damage. The attack was only the latest since Israel and Hamas declared separate unilateral ceasefires in Gaza over a month ago. Another rocket hit the southern coastal city of Ashkelon late Saturday night, and a barrage of 10 mortar shells struck southern Israel on Friday. A medium-range Katyusha missile was fired at the Negev town of Netivot on Thursday. No injuries were reported in any of the attacks, which have been all but ignored as the international community pushes for a formal ceasefire agreement between Israel and Hamas.

Anti-Israel Hamas-embracer to be named new US intel chief

(Israel Today) US President Barack Obama is set to name Chas W. Freeman, Jr. as the new head of the National Intelligence Council, according to sources cited by *Foreign Policy Magazine*. Freeman, a former ambassador to Saudi Arabia, made himself known to Israel and the pro-Israel community when he told a conference at the Washington Institute of Foreign Affairs in 2007 that supporting Israel is not in America's best interests. At the time, Freeman said that the Muslim world's loathing of America could be blamed solely on the Bush Administration's perceived support of the Jewish state, which in turn had legitimized "radical Islam" and allowed regimes like Iran to gain power. Freeman went on to accuse Israel of "no longer even

pretending to seek peace with the Palestinians," and said that Americans should not be surprised when Palestinian terrorists start to target them for backing Israel. The solution, said Freeman, is to treat all the parties equally, from Israel to Hamas, which he held up as "the only democratically-elected government in the Arab world." As head of the National Intelligence Council, Freeman would have considerable influence over all intelligence briefings to reach the president, and would often be called upon to personally advise Obama.

Too late: UN discovers Iran dangerously close to going nuclear

(Israel Today) Based on assumptions that Iran was still years away from fielding a nuclear weapons, the United Nations and the European Union have taken a very slow diplomatic approach to resolving the crisis. But a report released by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) on Thursday revealed that Iran had produced far more low-enriched uranium than anyone previously believed. According to the report, Iran now has well over 1,000 kilograms of low-enriched uranium, more than enough to build a nuclear weapon. While the uranium still has to go through additional enriching to be weapons grade, that process is much easier and faster than producing the uranium in the first place. UN inspectors cited by the *New York Times* tried to dismiss the seriousness of the situation by claiming the discrepancies between how much uranium Iran said it has and how much it actually has were merely a case of mistaken underreporting by Tehran.

Terrorist threat 'exploited to curb civil liberties'

By Kim Sengupta

Dame Stella Rimington, the former head of MI5, has accused the Government of exploiting public fear of terrorism to restrict civil liberties. Her comments came on the same day as a report published by international jurists suggested that Britain and America have led other countries in "actively undermining" the rule of law and "threatening civil liberties" in the guise of fighting terrorism.

In an interview with the Spanish newspaper *La Vanguardia*, Dame Stella said that a series of increasingly draconian policies have led British citizens to "live in fear and under a police state". The 73-year-old said: "Since I have retired I feel more at liberty to be against certain decisions of the Government, especially the attempt to pass laws which interfere with people's privacy. It would be better that the Government recognised that there are risks, rather than frightening people in order to be able to pass laws which restrict civil liberties, precisely one of the objects of terrorism: that we live in fear and under a police state."

Dame Stella, who became the first female head of MI5 in 1992 and held the position until 1996, has long been a vocal critic of the

Government's plans to introduce ID cards and lengthen the amount of time terror suspects are held without charge to 42 days. In the interview yesterday, she also criticised the United States. She said: "The US has gone too far with Guantanamo and the tortures. MI5 does not do that. Furthermore it has achieved the opposite effect: there are more and more suicide terrorists finding a greater justification."

The former MI5 chief chose to air her views on the same day as a three-year study called for urgent measures to stop the erosion of individual freedom by states and the abandoning of draconian measures brought on with the "War on Terror".

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Health

Is The Flying Nun On Crash And Burn Course With Boniva?



By Shane Ellison M. Sc.

Pharmaceutical companies were freed from restrictions on marketing drugs directly to the consumer in the latter part of the nineties. Since then, an endless procession of C-list celebrities has come forward to give pharmaceutical endorsements.

Starting around 1998 with Joan Lunden pitching Schering-Plough Corp.'s Claritin, it went on to figure skater Dorothy Hamill's freestyle promotion of Merck's deadly Vioxx, then to Folksinger Shawn Colvin singing the praises of GlaxoSmithKline's anti-depression medication Wellbutrin. Then Bob Dole assured us that "the surge was working" in his commercials for Pfizer's erection pill Viagra.

And today, Big Pharma is getting action from some unexpected actors like a lovable, 62 year old actress who over the years has gained the public's trust and affection with Smokey and the Bandit, the sitcom series Gidget, and best-known in her television role, as Sister Bertrille in *The Flying Nun*. Unfortunately, she's betrayed that trust by signing on to a pharmaceutical endorsement in her promotion of Boniva – the bone shattering drug disguised as an osteoporosis med, marketed by Roche and Glaxo.

Boniva is technically known as a "bisphosphonate." You don't need to worry about pronouncing it. But you do need to know that these toxins were originally used to clean up calcium deposits in boiler pipes, and an "accidental" discovery led to their clinical use. I couldn't make this stuff up.

Witnessing that the cleaning agent was a "calcium magnet," someone hell-bent on profit – probably a drug-sales rep – figured that it might be good for getting calcium into bone, thereby making them stronger. So they started feeding it to people – after a rubber stamp FDA drug approval, of course.

The medical community has since discovered that Boniva severely inhibits the body's ability to discard old bone. "Caution: Doctor thinking..."

Physicians interpreted this action as leading to stronger bones. "Heck, if the skeleton isn't discarding old bone, then this here drug must help strengthen the bone." Their thought process was flawed from the start. This is *The Good News* TODAY

akin to trying to keep a person's stomach full by putting a cork in their butt. Once Boniva is melded into the skeletal system, it does in fact interfere with the shedding of old dead bone. Rather than "die off," old, weak bones cells stick around. This prevents the growth of new bone cells, thereby causing the rest of the skeletal system to become weak. Duh!

The net result of taking Boniva is that you become a sack of old bones, held up by a crusty skeleton which is actually becoming more and more fragile over time, the exact opposite of what Sally's anti-osteoporosis commercial implies.

Even *The New York Times* took notice. In their article, "**Drugs to Build Bones May Weaken Them,**" they state that Boniva users, "show a rare type of leg fracture that shears straight across the upper thighbone after little or no trauma. Fractures in this sturdy part of the bone typically result from car accidents, or in the elderly and frail. But the case reports show the unusual fracture pattern in people who have used bone-building drugs called bisphosphonates for five years or more."

As they say on the late night infomercials; "But wait, that's not all!" Boniva has actually given rise to a new disorder – never before seen on planet Earth. The Times tells us that Boniva can cause "**jawbones to rot and die!**" Physicians are calling this Dead Jaw. This is actually perfect. In light of the dead Jaw findings, Boniva can now be used for the off-label use of eradicating pharmaceutical's chattering drug reps!

As an added bonus; side effects of Boniva may include - severe and occasionally incapacitating bone, joint and/or muscle pain, eye redness and/or tenderness, heavy jaw feeling, loosening of a tooth, pain, swelling, or numbness in the mouth or jaw, sensitivity to light, severe eye pain, tearing, bladder pain, chest pain, bloody or cloudy urine,...the list goes on. I'm just tired of typing...

So what's the alternative to anti-osteoporosis drugs? First, say no to drugs. Then start taking cod liver oil to boost Vitamin D levels and calcium absorption. If you're carrying around excess weight, give your skeletal system a break, lose the excess fat.

The Flying Nun is losing airspeed and I predict she will stall and spin in – going the way of that creepy Jarvik dude. Lawsuits against the maker of Boniva are on the rise and negative user testimonials are appearing by the thousands on the internet.

I hereby proudly give a "Stinky Sulfur Award" to Sally Field for "boning up" to the challenge of squandering her public trust and bringing misinformation, deception, and suffering to millions (in exchange for a fat check from Roche/Glaxo).

Author's Note

Ellison's entire career has been dedicated to the study of molecules; how they give life and how they take from it. He was a

God Has A Great Future Planned For You

By Jordan Rubin

I'll never forget attending a memorial service at my church for an acquaintance of mine—a missions pastor—who died of cancer at the age of thirty-nine. Left behind by this incredible man were a beautiful wife, four wonderful children, and a thriving global ministry. I was scheduled to talk to him about getting on a health plan shortly before he died, but the call never took place.

What if, before the cancer developed, he had followed my prescription for healthy living? Would things have turned out differently? We'll never know because now it's too late, which is a shame because I believe God designed us to live long and fruitful lives. For those of you in adolescence, you need to know that making good decisions on what you eat and drink now will reap incredible benefits as you grow older.

I hope you have a long, healthy life in front of you. Think about it: before Moses died, Scripture says that his eyes did not grow dim. The Bible tells us that the eyes are the windows of the soul, the light of the body. If the eyes are good, the whole body is good. In fact, when priests were called upon to diagnose a disease of an Israelite, they looked into the person's eyes. What this means is that Moses did not die of an illness; nor was his body feeble or his mind weak. God was ready to take him home; Moses was simply used up.

Joshua passed away at the age of 110, just months after he came off the battlefield. Caleb was going full bore, battling giants in his late eighties, until the Lord called him home. These heroes of the Bible never spent time in assisted living or nursing homes. They drank the last drop from the cup of life because they followed God's principles of good health found in the Bible.

You were created in the image of God (Gen. 1:26). You were made in God's image for a reason, and that's to be a reflection of God to the world for His glory. Think about it: Do you properly reflect His image? Are you healthy? Or do you think you're healthy simply because there's an absence of a grave disease in your life? Maybe you consider yourself healthy because you're not hacking away with a cough, running a 103-degree fever. But is that really the definition of being healthy?

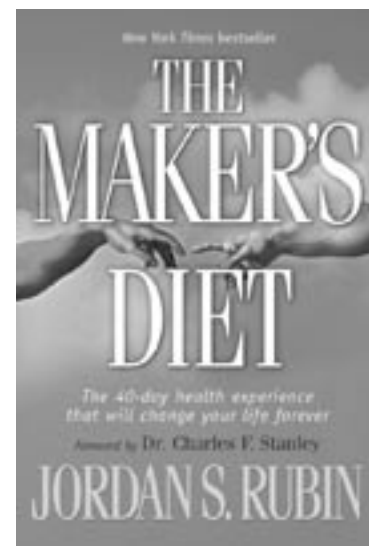
Good health is a lot more than the absence of disease in your life. Good health is waking up in the morning feeling rested and ready to attack the day. Good health is having the energy to perform well in school and on the athletic field.

two-time recipient of the prestigious Howard Hughes Medical Institute Research Grant for his research in biochemistry and physiology. He is a bestselling author, holds a master's degree in organic chemistry and has first-hand experience in drug design.

Good health is having something left in the tank when you have to begin your homework after dinner. Good health is thriving, not merely surviving.

God wants to use you, but He also needs you at your physical, spiritual, and emotional best. My challenge to you is that you think about what steps you need to take to eat healthy, exercise regularly, avoid toxins, and deal with any deadly emotions in your life, and then resolve to follow through today.

If you would like to learn more



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Universal Vaccine for the Flu? Look No Further Than Vitamin C and Zinc

By Mike Adams, the Health Ranger, NaturalNews Editor

(NaturalNews) The mainstream media is ablaze today with talk of an important new discovery that could lead to a "universal vaccine" that ends all colds for a lifetime. This universal vaccine, researchers say, would target a common configuration of proteins that occurs in virtually all cases of influenza, including H5N1 (bird flu), the Spanish flu strain and even the common cold.

It all sounds promising until you realize the reality of the situation. First, this "universal vaccine" concept is remarkably naive in ignoring the astounding ability of viruses to generate immunity to vaccines due to clever mutations. In fact, the action of influenza in the wild right now demonstrates this quite well: Each year's flu shot vaccine is essentially useless against the current influenza strains actually circulating among the population. They only protect people against *last year's* flu. And that's not very useful.

Why do you think we have MRSA and other superbugs running rampant in our hospitals these days? Because viruses and bacteria have a remarkable ability to rapidly develop immunity to vaccines. Even the targeting of a common protein receptor site is not beyond the reach of mutating viruses, and for scientists to think these viruses cannot mutate their way around a chemical vaccination is remarkably arrogant.

Second, the drug companies will never replace their annual flu shots with a one-time universal vaccine that you only need once in your lifetime. Why? Because the annual flu shot ritual is a great way to pocket some pharmaceutical profits while training the population to follow orders. The fear-mongering of flu infections and the herding of the population to flu shot injection centers is an important ritual in expanding the power of the Cult of Pharmacology. That's not something the drug companies will easily let go of.

(By the way, according to the scientific literature, flu shots are only effective in about 1% of the population. The other 99% are wasting their time and money.)

Thirdly -- and perhaps most importantly -- we already have far better universal solutions that halt flu infections. They're called **vitamin C, zinc and vitamin D**.

The real cause of the flu: Nutritional deficiency

In fact, it is nutritional deficiency that causes susceptibility to the common cold, not vaccine deficiency. Ask anybody who lives a natural health lifestyle and takes their nutrition seriously, and you'll find that they might only catch one cold every five or ten years. I haven't had a cold for probably eight years or so (can't remember exactly, because it's been so long), and of course I would never even think of getting a flu shot.

Flu shots are only for ignorant people who live on junk food diets and don't know anything about health. Flu shot clinics are like the McDonald's of modern medicine: It's where the uneducated, immune-suppressed people go because they don't know any better. And the flu shot industry (Big Pharma, clinics, etc.) preys upon these people in much the same way McDonald's preys upon low-income consumers who have no idea they're eating their way to lifelong nutritional imbalance.



Flu shots are for people who microwave their food and buy instant macaroni and cheese. They're for people who have been cajoled into avoiding vitamins (they're *dangerous*, didn't you know?) and who live on pharmaceuticals and junk food.

Flu shots are the mythology of modern medicine, much like the superstitions of commercial fishermen who run their boats in circles after leaving port in order to eliminate any "bad juju" that might ruin their catch.

Want new technology for defending against the flu? **Your immune system (designed by God) is the best technology on the planet** for accomplishing that. You just have to give it the proper fuel: Vitamin C, Vitamin D, zinc, trace minerals, superfoods and healthy nutrition!

Book Reviews

Christianity in Crisis: 21st Century

Hank Hanegraaff writes more about Word-Faith teachers

By Michael Ireland

DALLAS/FT. WORTH (ANS) -- According to the legendary story, once upon a time, long long ago, on a far away planet, there lived a good God -- a Being who stands about 6'2" to 6'3", weighs a couple of hundred pounds, and has a hand span of 9 inches.

As the story goes, God named his carbon copy "Adam," and he gave him authority over the entire creation. As a matter of fact, the tale continues, this creature had so much power that his Creator could do nothing in the earthly realm without first obtaining his permission, then God, in a flash, became the greatest failure of all time.

This fairytale is based on the teachings of many popular stars in the Faith Movement, whose proponents appeal to massive radio and TV audiences. Key figures teach, among other things, that Jesus wore designer clothes, that health and prosperity are available to anyone who claims them, and, therefore, that those who are sick have nobody to blame but themselves.

Twenty years ago, with the publication of *Christianity in Crisis* (Thomas Nelson Publishers), author Hank Hanegraaff unmasked the fatal flaws of this movement, driven mainly by Kenneth Hagin and his imitators, that he believed threatened to undermine the Christian faith.

The book became a runaway bestseller and winner of the Gold Medallion Book Award. After monitoring the growth of this movement and the introduction of new leaders over the past two decades, Hanegraaff felt compelled to revisit the topic in *Christianity in Crisis: The 21st Century*.

"Since the original *Christianity in Crisis* was released, a new breed of prosperity preachers has taken Hagin's preaching and practices to unimaginable heights -- or rather, unimaginable depths," Hanegraaff states.

"Men such as Joel Osteen and women like Joyce Meyer have taken the crisis in Christianity, spawned by Hagin and popularized by disciples such as Kenneth Copeland and Benny Hinn, to levels that I could scarcely have imagined when I was writing in the twentieth century," he said.

While *Christianity in Crisis: The 21st Century* contains many similarities to its groundbreaking

predecessor, the book presents some remarkable differences as well. Hanegraaff has retained the core of the original while adding a new introduction that documents the eerie similarities between pop sensations such as Rhonda Byrne's *The Secret* and Joel Osteen's *Your Best Life Now*.

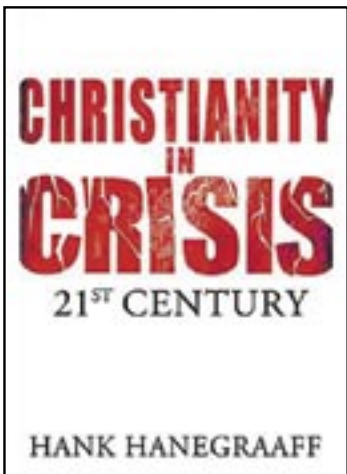
Christianity in Crisis: The 21st Century has also been augmented with a Cast of Characters section which provides comprehensive information as well as biblical evaluation of the newest and most prolific stars in the faith galaxy -- virtual rock stars who command the attention of presidential candidates and media moguls.

The new book also includes a revamped version of the tongue-in-cheek fairytale from the original, communicated with trademark

Hanegraaff irony and updated to reflect some of the eyebrow-raising statements of a new generation of faith teachers. In the end, the book is not so much about the faith teachers themselves as it is about faith followers who inevitably become distracted, disillusioned, and discouraged.

"My heart aches for the parent who put his dead baby on ice and, in the midst of tears and desperation, drove fifty miles to a counterfeit revival center because he trusted the testimonies of faith preachers who were touting resurrections from the dead," Hanegraaff lamented.

"I equally grieve the millions who have left faith churches in the midst of failed faith formulas. Some conclude that God must not love them; others question the integrity of the whole Christian enterprise," he said.



A Rare Act of Sportsmanship

By Black Christian News

The coach never considered any other option. It didn't matter that his DeKalb, Ill., High School basketball team had ridden a bus two and a half hours to get to Milwaukee, then waited another hour past game time to play. Didn't matter that the game was close, or that this was a chance to beat a big city team.

Something else was on Dave Rohlman's mind when he asked for a volunteer to shoot two free throws awarded his team on a technical foul in the second quarter. His senior captain raised his hand, ready to go to the line as he had many times before. Only this time it was different.

"You realize you're going to miss them, don't you?" Rohlman said. Darius McNeal nodded his head. He understood what had to be done.

It was a Saturday night in February, and the Barbs were playing a non-conference game on the road against Milwaukee Madison. It was the third meeting between the two schools, who were developing a friendly rivalry that spanned two states. The teams planned to get together after the game and share some pizzas and soda. But the game itself almost never took place.

Hours earlier, the mother of Milwaukee Madison senior captain Johntell Franklin died at a local hospital. Carlitha Franklin had been in remission after a five-year fight with cervical cancer, but she began to hemorrhage that morning while Johntell was taking his college ACT exam. Her son and several of his teammates were at the hospital late that afternoon when the decision was made to turn off the life-support system. Carlitha Franklin was just 39.

"She was young and they were real close," said Milwaukee coach Aaron Womack Jr., who was at the hospital. "He was very distraught and it happened so suddenly he didn't have time to grieve."

Womack was going to cancel

the game, but Franklin told him he wanted the team to play. And play they did, even though the game started late and Milwaukee Madison dressed only eight players. Early in the second quarter, Womack saw someone out of the corner of his eye. It was Franklin, who came there directly from the hospital to root his teammates on. The Knights had possession, so Womack called a time out. His players went over and hugged their grieving teammate. Fans came out of the stands to do the same.

"We got back to playing the game and I asked if he wanted to come and sit on the bench," Womack said during a telephone interview. "No," Franklin replied. "I want to play."

There was just one problem. Since Franklin wasn't on the pre-game roster, putting him in meant drawing a technical foul that would give DeKalb two free throws. Though it was a tight game, Womack was willing to give up the two points. It was more important to help his senior guard and co-captain deal with his grief by playing.

Over on the other bench, though, Rohlman wasn't so willing to take them. He told the referees to forget the technical and just let Franklin play. "I could hear them arguing for five to seven minutes, saying, 'We're not taking it, we're not taking it,'" Womack said. "The refs told them, no, that's the rule. You have to take them."

That's when Rohlman asked for volunteers, and McNeal's hand went up. He went alone to the free throw line, dribbled the ball a couple of times, and looked at the rim. His first attempt went about two feet, bouncing a couple of times as it rolled toward the end line. The second barely left his hand.

It didn't take long for the Milwaukee players to figure out what was going on. They stood and turned toward the DeKalb bench and

Sports

started applauding the gesture of sportsmanship. Soon, so did everybody in the stands. "I did it for the guy who lost his mom," McNeal told the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel. "It was the right thing to do."

Franklin would go on to score 10 points, and Milwaukee Madison broke open the game in the second half to win 62-47. Afterward, the teams went out for pizza, two players from each team sharing each



Johntell Franklin

pie. Franklin stopped by briefly, thankful that his team was there for him. "I got kind of emotional but it helped a lot just to play," he said. "I felt like I had a lot of support out there."

Carlitha Franklin's funeral was last Friday, and the school turned out for her and her son. Cheerleaders came in uniform, and everyone from the principal and teachers to Johntell's classmates were there. "Even the cooks from school showed up," Womack said. "It lets you know what kind of kid he is."

Basketball is a second sport for the 18-year-old Franklin, who says he has had some scholarship nibbles and plans to play football in college. He just has a few games left for the Knights, who are 6-11 and got beat 71-36 Tuesday night by Milwaukee Hamilton. It hasn't been the greatest season for the team, but they have stuck together through a lot of adversity.

"We maybe don't have the best basketball players in the world but they go to class and take care of business," Womack said. "We have a losing record but there's life lessons going on, good ones."

None so good, though, as the moment a team and a player decided there were more important things than winning and having good stats. Yes, DeKalb would go home with a loss. But it was a trip they'll never forget.

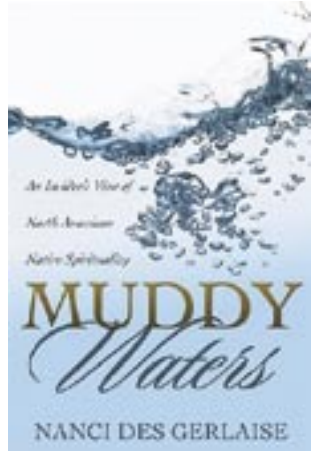
"This is something our kids will hold for a lifetime," Rohlman said. "They may not remember our record 20 years from now, but they'll remember what happened in that gym that night."

Biblical analysis of our culture. It brings light to a muddy and little-understood subject at a time when demonic influences and deception are penetrating the culture and the churches."

First Nations Author Offers Clarity to the Muddy Waters of Native Spirituality

By Good News Staff

(ENUMCLAW, Wash) Dreamcatchers, sweat lodges, ancestral spirits, alcoholism, and abuse. Author Nanci Des Gerlaise grew up with them all. Her new book, "Muddy Waters: An Insider's View of North American Native Spirituality" (Pleasant Word, 2008) exposes the current awakening and popularity of occult concepts borrowed from her Native roots.



"The focal point of my book is an appeal to the Christian audience to turn away from Native Spirituality and its demonic influences; I also want to equip them with the knowledge of how to deal with those in

bondage to Native Spirituality."

In recent years, Des Gerlaise has noticed the trend of Native Spirituality slowly seeping into the public school systems under the guise of multiculturalism. She finds the church's acceptance of Native Spirituality even more disturbing.

"My book exposes the current awakening and popularity of occult concepts and techniques in our culture. It's happening in many churches through the 'Emergent Church' movement. This new spirituality is the age-old evil of the occult just dressed up in another garb."

Born on a Métis Settlement in

the late 1950s into a long line of medicine men, Nanci saw from an early age the effects this sorcery had on her large family. Her book features the story of her deliverance by the Lord Jesus Christ from the evils of her Native religion.

"I was rescued from the terrible darkness of Native American Spirituality; this book features my testimony as well as a solid

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Chastised evangelicals end broadcaster's convention



By Bill Bray

NASHVILLE, TN (ANS) - Sober and pensive, the leaders of America's evangelical broadcasting elite ended five days of penance and soul-searching on February 10, 2009 at their huge annual convention held in Nashville, Tennessee.

the USA and abroad.

Although most blamed the attendance shortfall on the economic recession, the composition of the delegates was different as well and reflected the new reality of evangelicalism since the election of President Obama. "Suits and ties

Although several speakers built a strong case for a return to the traditional focus on the gospel that marked the early days of the evangelical movement in the USA, it was obvious throughout the convention that Christian broadcasters are still struggling with a message and leadership for the future.

Though attendance numbers were not disclosed, National Religious Broadcasters President Frank Wright said they were down "7-8 percent" from last year's all-time high of 5,700 which would be about 4,500. Final attendance figures will be released after staff return to the group's national headquarters near Washington, DC.



Anne Graham Lotz

Nevertheless, 262 hopeful exhibitors and scores of agencies, media consultants and networks filled hospitality suites and other venues throughout the sprawling Gaylord Opryland Convention Center in suburban Nashville. For over 60 years, conservative Christian communicators gather each February to trade expertise and maximize their ability to package and preach the Gospel in

are everywhere," quipped one veteran of 25 years, "I haven't seen so many suits and ties since the first Bush presidency!"

Both on the podium and in the meetings, there was a marked absence of blacks, Hispanics, internationals and women. Grey-haired white males from the ranks of senior management dominated the rooms and young leaders stayed home.

Convinced that they have lost or are losing the culture war, many of the speakers echoed the opening night remarks of Anne Graham Lotz. The daughter of Billy Graham told the Opening General Session that she was convinced that "time is short" for the churches and Christians of the United States.

Most of the attendees were convinced that evangelical Christians will face increased limitations of their rights and freedoms under President Obama although politics were rarely mentioned from the platform.

Leaders of NRB, "believing that the days ahead hold significant challenges" adopted "A Declaration of Unity in the Gospel" as the convention began. Many spoke darkly of possible harassment from Washington bureaucrats and the FCC in the days ahead.

There was little talk of the culture war for the first time in two decades except for a scheduled debate on Proposition 8 in California and other issues during the Public Policy session. It featured former Solicitor General Kenneth Starr and Nadine Strossen of the ACLU.





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Religious Broadcasters hear that Christian Ministries are Weak on K-12 Christian Education

By Michael Ireland

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE (ANS) -- A ministry leader who has served thirty years in pastoral ministry as a campus pastor, pastor-teacher in the local church, as well as an Army Chaplain, has issued a Report Card on how well Christian schools are educating our believing children.

Chaplain E. Ray Moore at a news conference at the National Religious Broadcasters (NRB) in Nashville, Tennessee, on Feb 10, 2009, issued a Report Card on how effectively major Christian ministries and organizations support K-12 Christian education or home schooling. Nine organizations were rated, many of which have actively engaged in the cultural war in the US for the past several decades.

Lt. Col. Moore, (USAR Retd.), is president of Frontline Ministries (www.frontlineministry.org) a Columbia, SC based ministry, which focuses on prayer, revival and evangelism, and provides a chaplaincy service for small businesses, corporations, and institutions. He is also Director of the Exodus Mandate Project (www.exodusmandate.org)

Frontline Ministries is an evangelical ministry seeking to communicate the Gospel message and Christian faith in arenas not routinely being reached with biblical truth. We seek to impact our culture, the family, education, business, media and the arts. We pursue renewal in our society by following biblically prescribed means, recognizing always that real renewal is a sovereign act of a gracious and forgiving God.

Exodus Mandate Project is a Christian ministry to encourage and assist Christian families to leave government schools for the Promised Land of Christian schools or home schooling. It is our hope that this fresh obedience in educating our children according to Biblical mandates will prove

to be the key for revival in our families, churches and nation.

E. Ray Moore, Jr., Bible Teacher, Army Reserve Chaplain (Retd.), and Campaign Consultant, has served thirty years in pastoral ministry as a campus pastor, pastor-teacher in the local church or as an Army Chaplain. He has served as a speaker-lecturer in a university setting on public policy, church-state and theological subjects, worked as a campus pastor at both the University of South Carolina and Purdue University, served as a campaign manager, campaign



Chaplain E. Ray Moore, Lt. Col. USAR, Retd.

assistant or campaign consultant for some 12 major political campaigns, including former Vice-President Dan Quayle's first Senate race in 1980, former Congressman Mark Siljander's first race for Congress in 1981 and for the Pat Robertson Presidential Campaign from 1986 -1988. He is considered an authority on involving Christians in politics and government.

A South Carolina native, he is a graduate of The Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina, with a B.A. in political science. He attended Dallas Theological Seminary, Dallas, Texas, and was graduated from Grace Theological Seminary in Winona Lake, Indiana, with the M.Div. (cum laude) in 1974 and with the Th.M. in 1979.

Moore has served on active duty with the US Army as a commissioned military police officer and has served as an Army Reserve Chaplain with the rank of Lt. Colonel, serving nineteen years as an Army Reserve Chaplain. He served as the Group Chaplain for the 101st Corps Support Group in Saudi Arabia -Iraq during Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm from 5 November 1990 -19 April 1991.

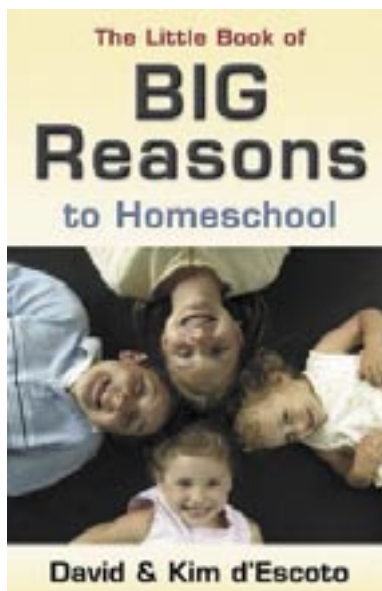
For this action he was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement. He was assigned to Fort Jackson, SC from March 1992 - June 1996 where he served

as the ACAP/Transition Chaplain and then for nine months at the Army Chaplain School in Reserve Affairs. He was placed on retired status in July 1999.

He and his wife, Gail, were selected as SC Parents of the Year for 2000 by Parents' Day Council, Washington, D.C. Ray is married to the former Gail Laurens Pinckney of Charleston, South Carolina. They have four children, Ray, Richard, Dorothy, and Wm. Rieppe. They have four grandchildren. They were home-schoolers from 1977-1994.

The Moore's have had a long-term involvement in private Christian Education. Gail formerly taught high school English at Ben Lippen School, a division of Columbia International University. She also is a regular teacher for young mothers on the "Biblical Principles of Child-Rearing" and a periodic speaker for women's conferences and retreats.

Ray is active churchman and has had a long-term involvement in the cause of world missions. In 1982 he made a seven-week missionary and fact-finding trip to Egypt. While there he spoke in numerous churches and consulted with mission and national church leaders. He is active on behalf of several mission projects.



Currently, he serves as President of Frontline Ministries. Moore said: "Even though these organizations have been valiantly fighting the culture war, they have suffered terrible defeats. They have not been able to arrest and reverse the moral and cultural slide by protests, lobbying, voting and legislative remedies. It's time for these ministries to revisit their methodology and ask themselves if there is a biblical model for spiritual and cultural renewal."

The nine criteria used to rate the organizations in the K-12 Christian education Report Card included: promoting a Christian worldview and not promoting K-12 public



schools as morally equivalent to Christian and home schools.

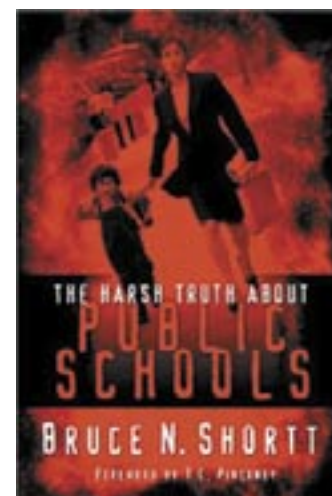
In his Report Card, which can be viewed online at the following link: www.exodusmandate.org, Moore says the nine ministries generally earned high scores for promoting a Christian worldview, for promoting K-12 Christian education or home schooling and for warning about the dangers of public schools, but they received poor grades for wasting their efforts on public-school reform, on justifying keeping Christian children in public schools to be salt and light, and on promoting a moral equivalence between K-12 public, Christian and home schools.

Moore said: "The failure in these criteria is largely due to the fact that some Christian ministries have not yet come to believe that there is an explicit biblical theology of Christian education in the Holy Scriptures. These same ministries have promoted a Christian worldview, and many Christian families, taking this teaching to its logical conclusion, have now outstripped the ministries."

David d'Escoto, President of Dexios, Inc., and author of The Little Book of Big Reasons to Homeschool, said: "Some of these ministries continue to labor under the error that K-12 public

education is an acceptable practice for Christian children and that the public schools can be reformed. This is folly."

Dr. Bruce Shortt, Houston attorney and author of The Harsh Truth About Public Schools, commented: "The Report Card is a good idea to serve as a wake up call for min-



istries, churches and pastors. Exodus Mandate should rate the major Christian denominations next and then rate the seminaries and large Christian radio or TV teaching ministries, too. Any organization or church can use the Report Card as a self-grading exercise."

Moore chose the venue of the NRB, the largest gathering of evangelical Christian leaders and media in the world, to release the K-12 Christian education and home schooling Report Card as this forum gives Exodus Mandate an opportunity to present again K-12 Christian education and home schooling as a biblical model for spiritual and cultural renewal. Exodus Mandate plans to release similar Report Cards at subsequent NRB conventions.

To view a copy of the NRB's "A Declaration of Unity in the Gospel" visit www.NRB.org




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Entertainment

COME WHAT MAY ON DVD

By Good News Staff

Hollywood, brace yourself again. The burgeoning trend of small Christian films making large impact continues with **COME WHAT MAY** www.comewhatmaythemovie.com, a smart new story from Advent Film Group, made with the help of some 40 home schoolers and Patrick Henry College (PHC) in Virginia. **COME WHAT MAY** releases nationally on DVD on March 17 distributed by Provident Integrity Distribution.



at the box office and was the year's top-grossing independent film.

Close to the 36th anniversary of the US Supreme Court's decision on Roe v. Wade, **COME WHAT MAY** is *Paperchase* meets *Facing the Giants*, a love story and courtroom thriller turning on a counterargument the filmmakers believe may one day overturn the Court's decision.

PHC students and faculty helped develop the story and polish the script. Manny Edwards wrote the first draft and worked on all subsequent drafts—as did David Hallbrook, Pulitzer Prize nominee and PHC director of communications. Dr. Michael Farris, a constitutional attorney, founder and chancellor of PHC, wrote the legal brief for overturning Roe.

Matthew Staver, dean of Liberty University Law School and a close friend of Dr. Farris, gave permission to film **COME WHAT MAY** at Liberty's new replica of the U.S. Supreme Court.

A core team of 40 home-schooled students from 16 states worked on the movie, tapping into speech and debate clubs for home schoolers, in particular the NCFCA league (www.ncfca.org). "That's our 'secret sauce,'" Escobar said. "The NCFCA is the third-largest speech and debate league in the country, created exclusively by and for high school home schoolers. Graduates from NCFCA dominate college debate tournaments."

COME WHAT MAY won the Redemptive Storyteller Award, at an international festival. Sev-

Physicist Ends 2000 Year Debate Regarding Shroud of Turin

By Michelle Miller

Loveland, CO—For two thousand years Christians have accepted the biblical account of the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ as the basis of their faith. Recently, Dame Isabel Piczek—a Hungarian trained particle physicist and internationally renowned monumental artist—uncovered hard, scientific evidence that Jesus Christ did, in fact, rise from the dead. The object of her study is a simple piece of ancient fabric known as the *Shroud of Turin*.

Piczek's discovery—and those of other scientists and researchers who studied the Shroud—is presented in *The Fabric of Time*, a television documentary and DVD from Grizzly Adams® Productions.

eral **COME WHAT MAY** crew members have won prestigious awards for their own films following their AFG internship. And new opportunities abound: "We're already considering new projects," Escobar said.

Nashville-based Provident Films, specializing in grassroots marketing, is a division of Provident Music Group and designed to produce and distribute faith-based films. **Provident Music Group**, a division of Sony Music Entertainment, is one of the world's leading Christian entertainment companies. Provident Music Group operates under the umbrella of Sony Music Nashville and comprises Provident Label Group, Provident Films (designed to produce and distribute faith-based films), Essential Music Publishing and Provident-Integrity Distribution.

For more information about the micro-budget film headed for macro impact - visit www.comewhatmaythemovie.com.

Charles E. Sellier, president of Grizzly Adams and supervising producer of the film, notes, "The Shroud has fascinated scientists and theologians for centuries. To date, hundreds of thousands of hours of detailed study and intense research have been devoted to this one piece of fabric. What we have with Dame Piczek is a researcher looking at a piece of evidence as both a physicist and an artist. It's a rare combination of high level academic achievement and artistic talent in a single person and the result of her work with the Shroud is startling."

Shroud Is Most Studied Artifact In Human History

According to David W. Balsiger, the film's senior producer, "To the best of our knowledge, the Shroud of Turin is the single most studied artifact in human history. It is a piece of ancient linen measuring 14 feet 3 inches long by 3 feet 7 inches wide. The bloodstained surface of the Shroud is marked with a negative image of the undistorted front and back sides of a naked man who appears to have been severely beaten and crucified—an ancient Roman form of torture and execution."



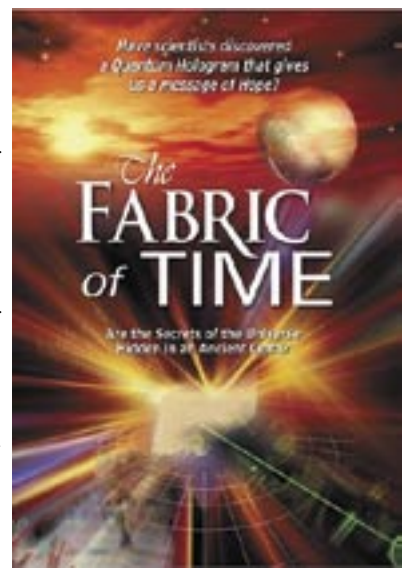
For centuries, based on the Gospel accounts, Christians have believed that Christ's body was wrapped in the Shroud when He was placed in a borrowed tomb in Jerusalem 2000 years ago. In 2004, Piczek became fascinated by the total absence of distortion of the Shroud image, a physical impossibility if the body had been lying on solid rock. Piczek's work strongly suggests that the image of Jesus was projected onto the cloth as His body underwent the process of Resurrection."

"The entire Resurrection process is akin to the Big Bang creation of the universe when something was created from nothing," explains Piczek. "You can read the science of the Shroud such as total lack of gravity, lack of entropie (without gravitational collapse) no time, no space—it conforms to no law of physics."

As Balsiger explains, "Dame Piczek created a one-fourth size sculpture of the man in the Shroud. When viewed from the side, it appears as if the man is suspended in mid air, indicating that the image defies previously accepted science. The phenomenon of the image brings us to a *true event horizon*, a moment when all of the laws of physics change drastically."

Complicated Physics Behind Shroud Image

Dane Piczek explains the complicated physics behind the image on the Shroud: "As Quantum Time



collapses to Absolute Zero (time stopped moving) in the Tomb of Christ, the two Event Horizons (one stopping events from above and the other stopping the events from below at the moment of the Zero Time collapse) going through the body get infinitely close to each other and eliminate each other (causing the image to print itself on the two sides of the Shroud).

"According to the nature of Event Horizons the dead body must have left its image on the two surfaces of the Event Horizons. At the time of the explosion (when time stopped) of the Event Horizons these images were ejected onto both sides of the Shroud, with the body hovering parallel to the Event Horizons. This explains why the image shows a dead man, not the risen body, and also explains why the image is negative (went from a positive body image to the negative image like a camera film negative). This proves the described process correctly as to how the image got onto the cloth."

In the course of her interview for *The Fabric of Time*, Dame Piczek contends that the image was created in an infinitesimally small fraction of a second and that its formation was absent of the effects of gravity.

Scientists Produce Three-Dimensional Shroud Hologram

Also featured in the film is a three-dimensional, anatomically accurate hologram of a crucified man. Working independently of Piczek, a team of Dutch scientists led by Dr. Petrus Soons used laser technology to convert two-dimensional photographic negatives of the image on the Shroud. DVD copies of *The Fabric of Time* include 3-D glasses to better view and appreciate the image.

"Even one of Jesus' own Apostles, Thomas, had doubts about Christ's death and resurrection," notes Grizzly Adams' Balsiger. "For the past two thousand years, there have always been some people who demanded physical proof of the experience. *The Fabric of Time* presents evidence that strongly suggests that the Resurrection was a real event."

The documentary is based in part on the books: *The Shroud of Turin* by Ian Wilson (Doubleday), *The Blood and the Shroud* by Ian Wilson (Orion Publishing Group), and the *Shroud of Turin: An Adventure of Discovery* by Mary and Alan Whanger, M.D. (Providence House). *The Fabric of Time* is available now. To learn more visit, www.grizzlyadams.com

Obama's Science-Based Sex Education

By Good News Staff

During his speech to Planned Parenthood, Barack Obama made reference to teaching "science-based sex education" to "kindergartners" calling it "the right thing to do." Former Dept. of Justice researcher, Dr. Judith Reisman claims that the "science" behind Obama's sex education comes from 20th century pseudo-scientist, Alfred C. Kinsey, who trained pedophiles to molest children while using stopwatches to collect his so-called "scientific" data.

Reisman says: "This research created the entire sex education profession and is still in use today." Her testimony forms the backbone of a new documentary titled, "The Kinsey Syndrome," a film that MOVIEGUIDE calls "one of the most important productions of the 21st century," and that this film should be given to "every judge, every member of Congress, and all the officials in government."

Dr. Reisman claims that "our kids are being educated by informa-

tion based on massive sex crimes against children, and the truth is still being covered up."

"The Kinsey Syndrome" documents this decades old cover-up, revealing the Congressional investigation into Kinsey during the 1950's. The effort was shut down by Congressman, Wayne Hays who later retired in disgrace over a sex scandal. Dr. Reisman experienced similar sabotage when she worked as a principle investigator for the Department of Justice, researching the child abuse imagery found in Playboy, Penthouse, and Hustler magazines. Liberal politics and far left media assaulted her as she attempted to expose the activities of big porno during the Reagan Administration.

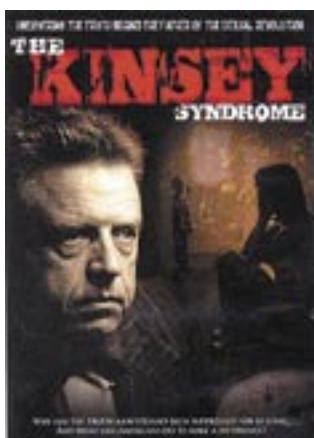
Now that President Barack Obama has nominated David Ogden (a porn lawyer who has defended Playboy and Penthouse for years)

to the second in command at the Department of Justice, Reisman believes the situation for America's women and children will go from bad to worse. Ogden led Obama's transition team for the Department

of Justice. "These are team players," says Reisman. "Whether Ogden gets the appointment or not, the team he put in place will be based on his Playboy philosophy, which is founded on Kinsey."

Reisman's reference pertains to Hugh Hefner's assertion that he was "Kinsey's Pamphleteer" popularizing the Kinsey philosophy through Playboy Magazine. Hefner further maintains that he and Kinsey together launched the Sexual Revolution.

Dr. Judith Reisman is a scientific advisor for the California Protective Parents Association. More information on her and the shocking new documentary, "The Kinsey Syndrome" can be found at www.kinseysyndrome.com



RIRTL Commentary on California Octuplets

This past Feb. 12, 2009, the Providence Journal ran a political cartoon on its editorial page about the recent case of octuplets in California. While many commentators have pointed out various absurdities involved in this case that has captured the interest of many Americans, few have pointed out how these absurdities call into question the ethical legitimacy of in vitro fertilization (IVF) itself.

Like all women or couples who have opted for IVF, Nadya Suleman had first to decide how many of the human embryos created in vitro to implant in utero. And like many women or couples who have opted for IVF she had, subsequently, to decide whether to opt for selective reduction, a process by which one or more of the resulting fetuses are destroyed in utero, to prevent a multiple birth. For those who admit the scientific fact that the product of human fertilization is a whole, separate, unique, living human being, and who believe that the direct and intentional taking of an innocent human life is always wrong, both of these scenarios pose serious concerns.

The first scenario has resulted in the hundreds of thousands of so-called "spare embryos" who have been targeted for research in which they will be destroyed. As Richard M. Doerflinger of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops has explained, "From the time of the Nuremberg Code, ethical norms on human experimentation have demanded that we never inflict death or disabling injury on any unconsenting individual of the human species simply for the sake of benefit to others."

The second scenario – the "selective reduction" usually performed between the 9th and 12th weeks of pregnancy – is properly known as feticide. It differs from other elective abortions only in that the corpse of the fetus, usually "reduced" by injecting potassium chloride into its beating heart, is not evacuated from the womb. A Washington Post feature (by Liza Mundy, May 20, 2007) points out that the Center for Disease Control does not report on the number of "reductions" performed in America due to reluctance in reporting them.

Rhode Island State Law currently requires insurers that cover pregnancy services to also cover the cost of medically necessary expenses of diagnosis and treatment of infertility. Some states, such as California and New York, specifically exclude IVF from their infertility treatment mandates. Rhode Island has no such exclusion.

Perhaps not everyone would agree that IVF is morally wrong for the reasons I have stated, amongst others. Yet in these difficult economic times, many Rhode Islanders might ask whether they should

To my dear and faithful friends,

Since 2002, Treasured Hearts Ministry (THM) has been through many changes and you have all been a part of her in one way or another and I am thankful for your support and love.

THM is like a garden. Gardens can be beautiful but they all need to be weeded and maintained for health and well being. The garden gate is being closed....for a season. This chapter has come to its completion. I have always said "Timing is Everything" ---and it is. When God says it is time.....then so be it.

Regrettably, we have not been able to cast the right man for the role of God in The Trial for this 2009 season. Whether it is human flaw or divine intervention ---as the director, I have had to make the difficult call to cancel all scheduled and impending performances for 2009.

In addition, as I continue to seek God in this very vital area, it is becoming clear that THM needs a "fresh cleaning" and her garden weeded and replanted. I have little idea what the garden will actually look like at "harvest" time, nor do I know when the harvest will be ready. God's timing is not OUR timing.

In simple terms I KNOW NOTHING! And I admit it! BUT! I am expectant! Expectant of God to do Something WONDERFUL....and I will diligently seek the answers from Him. **AS of this date, THM is on "stand-by" until further notice.**

The standard for THM has always been...excellence. Other than that....you get mediocrity...or something even worse...indifference. So during this season of God's weeding, I ask you for your prayers so that I may clearly hear from God as to the direction in which we are to move.

I have a feeling it will be something

quite divine and not a manifestation of our own plans and ideas. Something unexpected, ---in terms of form, content, and meaning. I am looking forward to THIS journey...should be quite a ride!

Jeremiah 33:3 promises us that if we call upon Him, He will answer us and show us great and mighty things that we do not know. So I will continue to call upon Him and wait upon Him. He is NEVER without a plan.

God bless each step you take...
.and I will be in touch, I promise.

Love kd

Fairness Doctrine's Other Likely Victim: Christian Radio

By Jeff Poor
(EP News)--Fears of a return to the Fairness Doctrine usually focus on conservative talk radio shows, like Rush Limbaugh, Sean Hannity or Glenn Beck. But, often overlooked is the potential impact the Fairness Doctrine would have on Christian radio, specifically religious speech.

Since the beginning of February, three prominent former and current Democratic politicians have come out and vocally supported reinstating the Fairness Doctrine. Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Mich., said it was "absolutely time to pass a standard." Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, came out with a similar message, saying, "We need the Fairness Doctrine back." And former President Bill Clinton said, "You either ought to have the Fairness Doctrine or we ought to have more balance on the other side."

But, the return would also harm religious speech according to a senior Republican senator, James Inhofe, Okla., and the head of the National Religious Broadcasters (NRB), Craig Parshall. Both are warning religious broadcasting is facing a threat.

According to Parshall, there are about 2400 full power radio stations with a Christian format in the United States. About 40 percent of people who regularly listen do so specifically so they can listen to "teaching, preaching and talk" formats, he said. Christian radio and television have a total reach of 75 million he claimed.

But that could be threatened by the Fairness Doctrine, a policy began in 1929 that required broadcasters to balance political content with different points of view. However, in 1985 the ended the policy after determining other voices were being heard, which gave rise to modern talk radio.

But recently, after bold rhetoric from several Democratic politicians, the threat of a Fairness

Doctrine, or a piece of like-minded legislation being signed into law, is becoming viewed as more of a reality. Its revival would not only have an impact on political talk radio, as many have alluded to, but on religious broadcasting as well.

Those warning shots from the left have raised the possibility of the Fairness Doctrine's reinstatement, one that Sen. James Inhofe, R-Okla., says Christian radio isn't immune to. According to the senior senator from Oklahoma, if the federal government had to enforce a "Fairness Doctrine," in whatever form it may take in the legislative process, it could open the door to lawsuits by advocacy groups, like the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU).

"Religious messages are, often times, inherently political," Inhofe said to the Culture & Media Institute. "Even when they are not, they could be considered controversial, and under the Fairness Doctrine as it once existed, controversial issues of public importance must be presented in an equitable and balanced manner. I am concerned that the ACLU and other liberal organizations will use this logic to file lawsuits against anyone who presents a message that they deem to be controversial. Though I believe these lawsuits would ultimately fail on First Amendment grounds, the chilling effect that the mere threat of a lawsuit will have on religious broadcasters could be substantial."

One of the most outspoken members of Congress on this particular issue has been House Republican Conference Chairman Rep. Mike Pence, Ind., who was also a former radio talk show host. In a statement through a spokeswoman, he warned that it represented "an existential threat" to Christian talk radio.

"The American people cherish freedom, that's why President Reagan repealed the so-called 'Fairness Doctrine' back in 1987," Pence said. "This Depression-era government regulation would actually regulate the content of America's airwaves and represents an existential threat to talk radio—and in particular—Christian talk radio."

There are those who believe the government should be a secular

institution, devoid of any trace of religion. However, that same expectation doesn't hold true in reverse – that is, religious speech isn't devoid of politics that shape this country's policy, so says Craig Parshall, the senior vice president and general counsel of the National Religious Broadcasters.

"That really goes to the heart of why we're concerned about this," Parshall said to CMI. "A lot of our Christian broadcasters, members of our association, have a lot of what we call 'teaching and preaching programming,' which means they'll get a program from national pastor on a certain issue – not that all issues that pastors talk about are controversial. A lot of them are just Biblical preaching on a wide variety of kind of life and faith issues."

Parshall gave several examples of which the two intersect, from the hot-button issues of today to religious arguments that have been going on for thousands of years.

"Some specifically deal with current events – how God views marriage," Parshall explained. "That's going to upset the homo-

sexual activists. How God views the sanctity of life – that's going to upset the abortion activist. How God views national sovereignty – that's documented in the New Testament, that's going to upset the globalists. Who Christ is – that's going to upset Muslims, who say that he was a prophet, but not a greater prophet than Mohamed."

And, according to Parshall – the effects of a Fairness Doctrine-type law or regulation would have three First Amendments concerns.

"We're going to get it from all sides and the way I see it, religious broadcasters have a threefold, kind of a three-legged stool basis for our concerns," he said. "Number one, we have free speech concerns. Number two, we have freedom of the press concerns, because we're journalists and broadcasters. And number three, we have free exercise of religion concerns. So, know matter how you look at it, we have a whole bundle of fundamental rights that we think would be detrimentally affected."

Jeff Poor writes for the Culture and Media Institute.

Articles of Confederation

American Minute
with Bill Federer

What was the government in the United States before the U.S. Constitution was written? It was the Articles of Confederation, ratified by the States MARCH 1, 1781. Signed by such statesmen as John Hancock and Samuel Adams, it was an attempt to loosely knit the thirteen States together. The Articles of Confederation declared: "Whereas the delegates of the United States of America in Congress assembled did on the fifteenth day of November in the Year of Our Lord 1777, and in the second year of the independence of America agree on certain Articles of Confederation and perpetual union between the

States...The said states hereby severally enter into a firm league of friendship with each other, for their common defense, the security of their liberties, and their mutual and general welfare,



binding themselves to assist each other, against all force...or attacks made upon them...on account of religion, sovereignty, trade, or any other pretense." The Articles end with the line: "It has pleased the Great Governor of the World to incline the hearts of the Legislatures we respectively represent in Congress, to approve of and to authorize us to ratify the said Articles of Confederation."

be paying higher health insurance premiums in order to subsidize our state mandate for this ethically problematic procedure.

Barth E. Bracy
Executive Director
Rhode Island Right to Life

Inspiration

Daily Devotions

By Charlene M. Ryerson

Pastor Wayne Cordeiro of New Hope Christian Fellowship Oahu (enewhope.org) teaches an interesting technique for daily devotions. It's titled S.O.A.P. The 'S' is for 'Scripture', 'O' for 'Observation', 'A' for 'Application', and 'P' for 'Prayer'. It's easy to remember S.O.A.P. because God cleanses us with His Word. **Ephesians 5:26 -to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the Word**

"Judging by Appearances" (My S.O.A.P)

Scripture: Matthew 23:27-28 27. "Woe to you teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You are like whitewashed tombs, which look beautiful on the outside but on the inside are full of dead men's bones and everything unclean. 28. In the same way, on the outside you appear to people as righteous but on the inside you are full of hypocrisy and wickedness."

Observation: Don't judge someone by their appearance, whether good or bad. 1 Samuel 16:6-7 6. When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab, and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed stands here before the Lord." 7. But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance but the Lord looks at the heart."

Application: The other day I was riding the RIPTA bus line.

A kid with very dirty dread locks boarded the bus and sat down on the seat in front of me. I was immediately taken aback. I couldn't understand how someone could let their hair become so filthy and matted. Immediately the Lord convicted me. I had judged this young man in my heart according to his appearance. I've just finished a stem cell transplant and I have to wear a surgical mask and gloves every time I leave my apartment. When I'm in public, people stare at me, especially children. I've also lost my hair. (At times I'm tempted to remove my hat or wig just to see how people react.) I've also gained weight due to the medications I must take.

When I was in my early twenties, I was attractive, turning heads and all that vain stuff. I might have looked good on the outside, but on the inside I was focused on beauty without having much character. I'm now 48 and don't look anything like I did when I was younger. However I have been building character for the last 20 years by the power of the Holy Spirit. Men that knew me before and then see me now have two different responses towards me that truly reveal the condition of their hearts. The first is, "Wow! What happened to you?" These men would have a look of disgust because I wasn't pretty anymore. But the other men, whose hearts were in the right place would say, "Wow! What happened to you?" They would then continue on to tell me that I have a peace and glow about me that radiates. Notice that these men used the same words, but their hearts were in different places. Thank the Lord I now have friends who love me for who I am, not what I look like. If I had a choice between being

RAINBOW IN A BOTTLE *MINISTRY TIP*

By Rev. Doug Forbes

Rainbow bottles are easy and fun to make, and they can be used to remind your students of God's love otection. They can also be used to teach the importance of recycling.

For the Rainbow Bottles activity you need: Bibles, Bible concor-

attractive and having character, I would choose character.

1 Peter 3:3-4 3. Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as braided hair and the wearing of gold jewelry and fine clothes. 4. Instead, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight.

2 Corinthians 4:16-18 16. Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day. 17. For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all. 18. So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

Because I now have character, I have the good sense and reasoning to choose friends with good character and integrity. Who cares what they look like!

Prayer: Lord, forgive me for judging the young man on the bus. Thank you for bringing my wrong attitude to my attention. I pray for another opportunity to see him and may You open up a door for me to strike up a conversation with him. Wouldn't it be wonderful if You were our topic?

How will I be different today

dances, clear water or soda bottles, mineral oil or clear vegetable oil, rainbow glitter, white glue, spoons, newspaper, a funnel and food coloring.

Ask the children to use their Bibles and concordances to discover Bible passages that mention color. Allow time for each child to share his or her findings and discuss them.

Ask the children to turn to Genesis 6:9-10:16 and recruit volunteers to read sections about Noah you have preselected. Explain how God loved Noah and his family and protected them from the flood. Discuss the symbolism of the rainbow. Tell the children that God loves them just as much as he loved Noah, and that they can ask for His help in difficult times.

Spread newspapers on the tables to protect them, and give each child a clear, clean water bottle with the label removed. Have the children fill their bottles half full of water with the use of a funnel. Add several spoonfuls of rainbow glitter and four drops of food coloring. (Let each child pick his or her own color of food coloring.) Fill the remainder of each bottle with mineral oil, leaving a quarter of inch unfilled at the top. Help your students glue the caps onto the bottles to prevent spillage. Demonstrate the rainbow effect to your students by shaking your bottle.

Ask your young people to demonstrate their Rainbow Bottles to their parents or guardians, and share the story of Noah's Ark and how God loves and protects us.



March 20 2009 First Day of Spring

"If Spring came but once in a century, instead of once a year, or burst forth with the sound of an earthquake, and not in silence, what wonder and expectation there

because what I have read? I will work on the need to stop judging people according to how they appear and look at their heart instead.

would be in all hearts to behold the miraculous change! But now the silent succession suggests nothing but necessity. To most men only the cessation of the miracle would be miraculous and the perpetual exercise of God's power seems less wonderful than its withdrawal would be."

-Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

A Bikers Path

By Marty

Hi... my name is Marty but my biker friends call me LongRider. That's because I used to put allot of miles on my Harley when I lived down south. But that is not what I am here to talk about. I am here to tell you about my life before and after I met the Lord, Jesus Christ.

I first came to know Jesus in 1982 while working in the defense industry. Some of my co-workers had a prayer meeting every day in the parking lot prior to work. It took them more than six months of praying for me before I felt the leading of the Holy Spirit to give my life over to Christ.

Before then, I lead the life of a stereotypical biker... drugs, alcohol, violence and crime. I don't believe in going into details about this portion of my life because I feel it falsely glamorizes it and in no way glorifies the Lord. Let me just say that I was either drunk and/or high every night and spent more than one evening in jail.

I followed the Lord for several years before I found myself backsliding. I guess I had never totally given myself to the Lord. I still had the urges to use drugs and alcohol and I was trying to control them myself. To this day I can not pinpoint the exact "how" or "why" I strayed from the Lord, all I know is that after I had turned my back on God, my life was in worse shape than it ever was before. I kept going from job to job and from relationship to relationship... all of which failed.

That is when a friend of mine took me to the Open Door Mission in Rochester, New York where I enrolled in their Bible Based Christian Life 12-step recovery program. There the Lord performed a miracle in my life. He accomplished in an instant what I could not do for myself in 20 years. He totally delivered me from drugs and alcohol. And all I had to do was to turn my addictions over to Him and ask Him to remove them from me! Through the kind care and guidance of the

staff of the Open Door Mission and my home church, Bethel Christian Fellowship, I returned to my walk with the Lord, this time without any of the urges and cravings for



the drugs and alcohol that I experienced when I tried to quit them under my own power.

I have since moved to the Southern Tier of New York and I had found a new home church, Obi Community Church. However, An industrial accident has left me disabled and my "home church" now has to be any number of churches and/or sermons available at OnePlace.com since it is very difficult for me to physically get out to attend church... especially in the Western New York winters!

The Lord has done many miracles in my life... the violence and anger of my previous life was replaced with love and a genuine caring for my fellow human beings. He led me to my wife, a fine Christian woman named Kathleen who not only played the piano, organ and sang for the church for 11 years prior to when I met her, but she

also was an addictions councilor in the Mentally Ill, Chemically Addicted (MICA) Unit of Bradford Regional Medical Center in Bradford, PA! What a coincidence!

God is good and He is real! He is there for you if you will just humble yourself and call upon His name. I hope that each of you that read this finds the joy and peace that my Lord Jesus has for you just as I have found them. If you don't know Jesus and would like to, the bible says; That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. Romans 10:9 I know it sounds to simple to be true, but it is. Only believe and you will

be saved. Say a simple prayer something like this:

Jesus, please forgive me for my sin. I know I haven't done everything that I should with in my life and I regret it. I know that you died for me and that you have a plan for my life. Please teach me your ways and help me to live my life for you, free from the fears of this world and the next. I want to be ready for eternity with you. Amen

God Bless you! If you have prayed this prayer, the Bible says, " Therefore if any man [be] in Christ, [he is] a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new." (2 Cor. 5:17)

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A Ritual of Spring

By Sheila Moss



Ah, Spring is here! Hormones surge... instinct takes over... a woman's thoughts turn to... **HOUSE CLEANING!** Yes, it's true! Dust is in the air. It is time to celebrate the honored ritual of spring house cleaning. It must be a primitive nesting instinct, the urge to renew and revive. Suddenly it becomes apparent that your house resembles a college dorm room.

Here are a few of the tell-tell signs.

1. Your front door has more fingerprints than the FBI.
2. The dust mites are having an anniversary party under your bed.
3. You are wearing clothes from the floor of the closet - inside out
4. Your family is eating off paper plates so you don't have to open the cabinets.
5. You need a gas mask when you open the refrigerator.
6. The kids can't find their toys -- in fact they can't find the toy box.
7. The garbage disposal is coughing.
8. You can't find the cordless phone unless it rings.
9. You can't turn on the ceiling fan without creating a dust storm.
10. Your chore for the day is to find the vacuum cleaner bags -- and the vacuum cleaner.
11. The remote control has been lost in a sofa crack since the end

of football season.

12. The kitty litter is a concrete block.
13. The cat has been missing for three days.
14. There is something solid and black in the bottom of the coffee pot.
15. You can't decide whether to clean the windows or just buy mini blinds.
16. The dog has offered to loan you his doghouse.
17. The mail hasn't been opened since last tax season.
18. The piles of magazines may fall over and bury you.
19. You are afraid to turn on the oven because bugs may be raising a family in there.
20. You wonder if a hose down would ruin the carpets.
21. There is something sprouting in the dishwasher.
22. The washing machine reminds you of a concrete mixer.
23. You introduce your kids as the three little pigs.
24. You can't go outside because fresh air makes you dizzy.
25. It seems easier to move than to clean the house.

If any of these seem slightly familiar, you too may have spring cleaning fever. The male of the species is seldom affected. Like PMS, spring cleaning fever is exclusive to the female.

Fortunately, the cure is rather simple. Apply soap and water, disinfectant, furniture polish, scouring power, grease solvent, and plenty of elbow grease and your fever will be cured in a matter of hours, with results lasting at least till the family gets home.

How do you know when it's Daylight Saving Time

By Sheila Moss



You're so sleepy that you can't get up and you jump out of bed thinking you have overslept! You stagger to the bathroom and fall over the dog that is still sound asleep. The timer on the coffee pot isn't set right, and there is no coffee. You try to fix the clock on the microwave and set the timer instead -- you wonder why a microwave needs a clock anyhow?

You decide this is really all a secret plot by "morning people" to get "night people" out of bed earlier. The clock in your car has the right time for the first time since last October. You arrive for church an hour late - just as everyone else is leaving. You feel exhausted (and will for weeks) even though you missed only one hour's sleep. Your computer clock sets itself ahead, but you forget and set it ahead again.

At the office on Monday all the clocks say 7 a.m., so you put your head on your desk and wake up later to find that the clocks were all wrong. Half the office arrives an hour late, saying they forgot to change the clock. You secretly wonder why they did not arrive an hour early in October. You take a two hour lunch break and say you forgot to change your wristwatch. ("get even time.")

You have an extra hour of light in the evening -- just enough time to mow the lawn. The timer is wrong on the VCR so you don't get the last hour of the movie you were recording -- but you don't notice it until after you've watched the first half.

You decide to reset the time on "singing bird clock" It starts singing and won't shut up until you remove the batteries. It's dinner time according to the clock, but you are not hungry -- yet. You go to bed at your regular time, but you're not sleepy yet, so you stay up an extra hour. You wonder where all the energy is that we are conserving because you sure



After Noah came Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Jacob was more famous than his brother, Esau, because Esau sold Jacob his birthmark in exchange for some

pot roast. Jacob had a son named Joseph who wore a really loud sports coat. Another important Bible guy is Moses, whose real name was Charlton Heston. Moses led the Israel Lights out of Egypt

could use some of it.

You consider moving to Arizona

and away from the evil Pharaoh after God sent ten plagues on Pharaoh's people. These plagues included frogs, mice, lice, bowels, and no cable. God fed the Israel Lights every day with manicotti. Then he gave them His Top Ten Commandments. These include: don't lie, cheat, smoke, dance, or covet your neighbor's stuff. Oh, yeah, I just thought of one more: Humor thy father and thy mother.

One of Moses' best helpers was Joshua who was the first Bible guy to use spies. Joshua fought the battle of Geritol and the fence fell over on the town. After Joshua came David. He got to be king by killing a giant with a slingshot. He had a son named Solomon who had about 300 wives and 500 porcupines. My teacher says he was wise, but that doesn't sound very wise to me. After Solomon there were a bunch of major league prophets. One of these was Jonah, who was swallowed by a big whale and then threw up on the shore. There were also some minor league prophets, but I guess we don't have to worry about them.


After the Old Testament came the New Testament. Jesus is the star of The New. He was born in Bethlehem in a barn. (I wish I had been born in a barn too, because my mom is always saying to me, 'Close the door! Were you born in a barn?' It would be nice to say, 'As a matter of fact, I was.') During His life, Jesus had many arguments with sinners like the Pharisees and the Democrats.

Jesus also had twelve opossums. The worst one was Judas Asparagus. Judas was so evil that they named a terrible vegetable after him. Jesus was a great man. He healed many leopards and even preached to some Germans on the Mount. But the Democrats and all those guys put Jesus on trial before Pontius the Pilot. Pilot didn't stick up for Jesus. He just washed his hands instead. Anyways, Jesus died for our sins, then came back to life again. He went up to Heaven but will be back at the end of the Aluminum. His return is foretold in the book of Revolution

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Adam and Eve had a son, Cain, who hated his brother as long as he was Abel. Pretty soon all of the early people died off, except for Methuselah, who lived to be like a million or something. One of the next important people was Noah, who was a good guy, but one of his kids was kind of a Ham. Noah built a large boat and put his family and some animals on it. He asked some other people to join him, but they said they would have to take a rain check.

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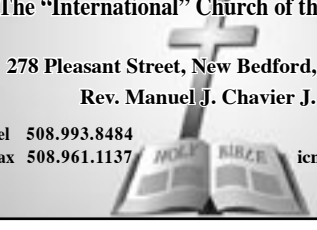
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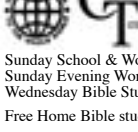
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4 Wednesday

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7-9 p.m. ~ Recovery Class every Friday at New Hope Christian Church, 1436 G.A.R. Highway Swansea, MA.(508)-324-4500

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7 p.m. ~ Joshua's Men 2nd and 4th Thursday, we meet for prayer, bible study and mutual accountability, at Church of the Apostles 170 Fairview Ave, Coventry, for more info: 401-821-7609

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20 Friday

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21 Saturday

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27 Friday

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28 Saturday

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29 Sunday

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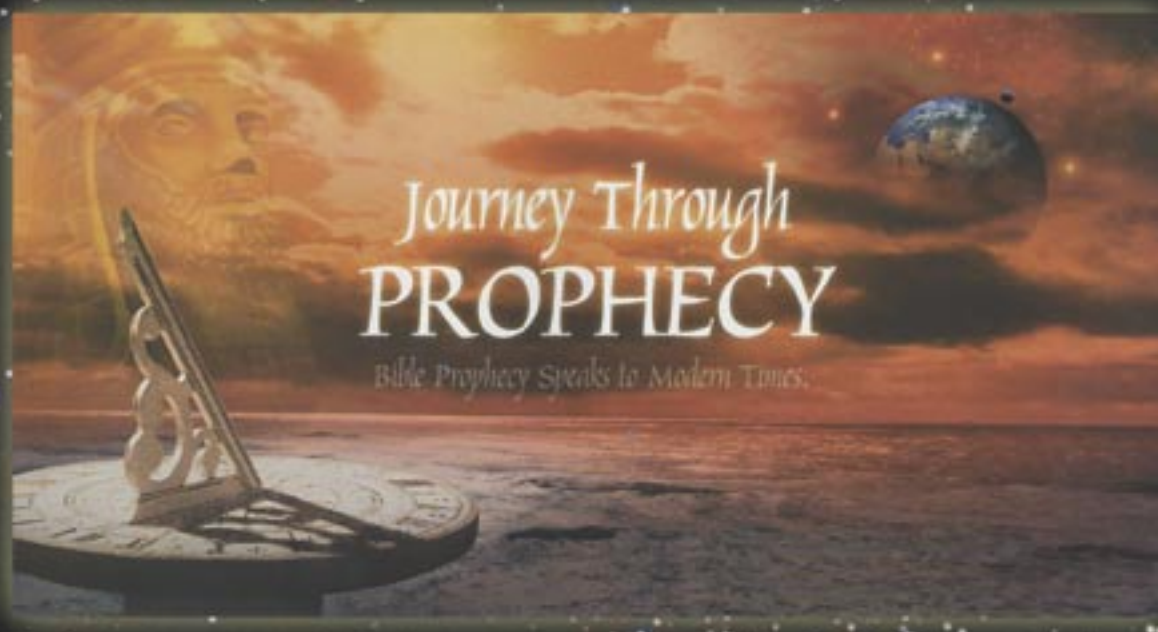
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