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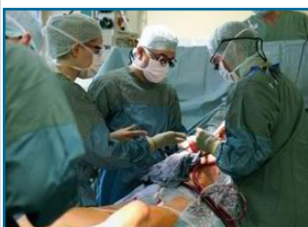


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"I am He that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive forevermore, Amen." - Revelation 1:18

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The Miracle of Christian Retreat

By Joanne Derstine Curphey



January 1954. Gerald Derstine, a 25-year-old pastor on the White Earth Indian Reservation in the backwoods of northern Minnesota, asked his old-order Mennonite congregation to fast and pray for revival. Christmas week of that same year, it descended upon them in a way that exceeded their wildest dreams. "If I'd known ahead of time what was coming, I'd have driven 5,000 miles in the other direction," Derstine said. "On the other hand, it was so glorious that if heaven is anything comparable, it will be worth it all."

The Holy Spirit fell on them with all the phenomena of the first Pentecost. For seven days and nights, the first week of 1955, the Derstine family and others lived a strange and supernatural existence, totally orchestrated by God. The revival culminated in Ger-

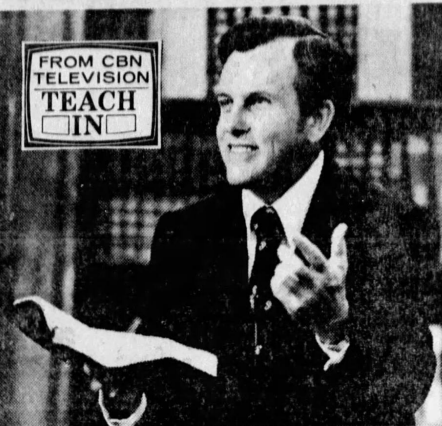
ald being "silenced" by bishops in the Mennonite Church when he and his wife, Beulah, refused to say the visitation was a work of the devil. Though they didn't understand much of what had happened, they couldn't deny it was a sovereign act of God.*

As they contemplated the bishops' verdict during those dark days, Gerald recalled a strange but powerful prophecy given just days before, "Gerald, you are going to be separated from the Mennonite church, but do not fear, for I shall give you a greater ministry...I am going to send you into the cities—from city to city you shall go, and you shall minister to multitudes and thousands of my people, teaching them about the things of my Spirit."

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Miracle on the Beach: How One Woman's Radical Encounter Sparked a Move of God on Anna Maria Island

By He's Alive News Staff Writer

Six years ago, Jeanine Colavecchi didn't know but life-altering instruction from the Lord: relationship with Jesus, "Buy a microphone never read a Bible. Battling alcoholism, anxiety, and generational curses, she cried out to God, whom she barely knew — alone in her bedroom — and her life was instantly transformed. "Jesus made Himself real to me," Jeanine says. "Everything that held me in bondage was completely removed. I was radically changed." Shortly after her baptism, Jeanine received the fire of the Holy Spirit. One day,

she heard a simple but life-altering instruction from the Lord: "Buy a microphone and a speaker. Go preach the Gospel on the street corners." With no formal Bible training and no public speaking experience, she said "YES!". She ordered the equipment, hit the streets of Bradenton/Sarasota, and began proclaiming Jesus boldly — not with fancy words, but with a heart burning with the love of God. At the height of a successful Real Estate career in.... **To be continued Page: 11**

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By Rev. Madeline Montez Duffany

Jesus was establishing His authority in the temple and certain priests and elders (religious leaders) interrupted His teaching, asking by whose authority He did these things, and where did it come from. **Matthew 21:23.**

But Israel followed after the law of Righteousness (Israel following in the wrong way – by works), has not attained to the law of Righteousness (could not attain to Righteousness by works; it can only be attained by trusting in Christ and the Cross. **Romans 9:31.**

Why is this? It is because they sought it not by faith but by the works of the Law (by their performance, which can never measure up). *“For they stumbled at that stumbling stone.”* **Romans 9:32.**

As it is written (Isaiah 8:14) *“Behold I lay in Zion a stumbling stone and a rock of offense...”* (This refers to Jesus Christ. He was not the type of savior they wanted. They needed salvation from sin, but they wanted something else.) *“...and whosoever believes on Him shall not be ashamed (disappoint-*

ed)”. This portrays that salvation is open to all, not a select, predestined few, as many teach.

Israel, as a nation, wasn't saved despite their history. They had a zeal for God that had to do with God as its object, but not according to knowledge (pertains to the right kind of knowledge. **Romans 10:2-4.**

Israel wanted to establish their own righteousness and not submit themselves to the righteousness of God. They wanted a physical God like the nations. Some people today want a physical God, something in the flesh that they can see. The world stills seeks to obtain righteousness by works.

This is what the Antichrist will do: provide a visible God, a counterfeit Messiah.

The people wanted a king (a Superman) to rescue them. Yet, the end of all faith is Jesus Christ crucified. **1st Cor. 1:23.**

The religious lawmakers had characteristics of self-righteousness which excluded all others who did not conform to their particular regime.

Jesus said, *“Woe unto you Scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!”* They paid tithes but omitted the weightier matters of the Law: judgment, mercy and faith. **Matthew 23:23.** The people had no faith in God, only faith in their own religious doings. In **Exodus 33:19** God had mercy and compassion on those who met His conditions. Do YOU understand this? Good works are not a substitute for Christ! You are not saved by belonging to a church, but because of your simple faith in Jesus Christ. Unbelievers are offended by the Cross, by the crucifixion of Jesus Christ, by His blood. Jesus Messiah causes the sinner and self-righteousness to stumble on the Stumbling Stone, the Cross of Jesus, crucified. It summons them to begin their spiritual life from the beginning at the foot of the Cross.

Jesus Christ is the one and only mediator between God and man, and is so by His blood shed at the Cross. **Col. 1:20.** Therefore, thus says the Lord God: *“Behold, I lay in Zion a stone for a*

foundation, a tried stone, a precious cornerstone, a sure foundation; who-ever believes will not act hastily”. **Isaiah 28:16. 1st Peter 2:6. Romans 9:33.** This emphasizes Jesus Christ as the cornerstone or stumbling stone in Zion. To not act hastily means that if you believe, you will not be disappointed.

“And whosoever falls on this stone will be broken” refers to Judgment and NOT blessing as some claim. *“But on whosoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder”* refers to those who place themselves in active opposition to Christ and His Kingdom. They will ultimately be destroyed, without hope of recovery, which includes every religion of the world.

The wickedness in the evil hearts of men wanted to kill Jesus, and they hate Him and Christians today.

Jesus is the Cornerstone, came for sinners to atone, rejected by His own, He became the Cornerstone!!

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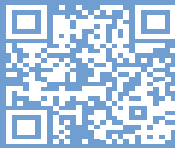
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I am on fire for my God, my Lord, and I will not be stopped. Jesus My Yeshua, is Lord over every part of my life. Everything and everyone in my life must go through Him to get to me.

The Angels of the Lord are encamped around me and minister for me always as I am an heir of Salvation...They harken unto the voice of the Word of God. As I declare His Word, I am His voice...I will fulfill the mark of the high calling in my life in Christ Jesus.

No weapon formed against me shall prosper in Jesus's holy name. Christ Jesus watches over His Word to perform it. Thank You, God. It is done.

Dear Heavenly Father, in the mighty name of Jesus, I pray this prayer over us today.

The first thing this week, Lord, we dedicate our hearts, our minds, our

wills, our emotions, our needs, desires, our plans, our purposes, all that we are and all that we have, we lay them down at your holy Altar. That you would burn up all that which is not of you, and only that which is of You remains. Breath into my life a fresh and new Holy Spirit. That my life would be a sweet fragrance to You, oh Lord, Amen.

Is this your prayer, too, my friend? He is El Shaddai, the God who is more than enough!

He is your provider. All your needs are met in His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. He is your Peace; He shall guard and guide your heart and your mind. He is the Presence in your midst. Do you really need anyone else?

He is the Resurrection Power within you; His name is Holy Spirit. You can do ALL things through Christ Jesus who strengthens you. He is the living Word of God that lives within your heart.

SEEK 1ST THE KINGDOM OF GOD AND HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS... ALL THESE THINGS WILL BE ADDED UNTO YOU. THOSE WHO DILIGENTLY SEEK HIM SHALL RECEIVE THE DESIRES OF THEIR HEARTS.

This is who I AM in Christ Jesus!

I am filled with the Word of God and the fire of the Holy Spirit...and so because of this. I am a Spark in the body of Christ. I am a Pioneer, I am a Trailblazer, I am a Way Marker, I am a Light in the darkness. I hold the Word of Fire in my mouth. I released the Lion of the Tribe of Judah. I am the Voice of the Holy Spirit. I am a Revivalist and Prophet. I am a Trailblazer. I am an Atmosphere changer. I am a Visionary. What am I not!

I am not a conformist. I do not conform to the ways of this world, but I submit myself to the Word of God. I don't settle into comfort zones of apathy and religiosity; I follow the full will of the Lord for my life.

I set the worldly religious systems on fire with the Word and the Spirit of God, with prayer. I break boxes because I live outside the box, and in the power of the Holy Spirit. I break the chains and bondages that are before me, by the Blood of Jesus Christ.

I am an Overcomer! I walk in and release the Power of the Resurrection of Christ, by the Blood of the Lamb and the Word...I am going

up to the next level and the next realm in the Spirit of Christ; nothing can stop me. I am taking more ground in my life and ministry by the resurrection power of the Holy Spirit who lives within me. I am receiving and walking in the enlargement of my tents and border by the Holy Spirit within me. I will walk in all that God has ordained for me to be and walk in. Jesus is in me, and I am in Him—Jesus is for me, and with me always. I am in His Presence, and His Presence is in me, and lives through me. I am a New Creature in Christ Jesus—All things have been made new. In Him I live, move, and have my being.

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By Rev. Judy Miles

It's Worth the Wait An Oak or A Mushroom?

Waiting on the Lord may be one of the most difficult aspects of the Christian life. No one likes to wait. But we wait in traffic, in carpool lines, in holding patterns, in grocery stores, for the foursome ahead of us, long lines at the airport, for the doctor, for a spouse, for a baby, for retirement, for vacation, for dinner, sermons to get over, etc. Waiting is not just something we have to do while we get what we want. Waiting is the process of becoming what God wants us to be. I recall a season in my life where I had to wait on the Lord. After seeking the Lord for answers, and it seemed as if the heavens were brass, and my answers weren't coming, I took a road trip, and while in town, I confided in two pastors, who gave me the same advice. I learned through that experience that **waiting on the Lord requires patience:** Psalms 27:14 Wait patiently for the Lord. Be brave and courageous. Waiting is the confident, disciplined, expectant, active, and sometimes painful clinging to God. Those who wait on God can go about their assigned tasks, confident that God will provide the meaning and conclusions to their lives and the harvest to their toil.

Waiting requires trust: Waiting means that we give God the benefit of

the doubt that he knows what he is doing. Waiting is God's way of seeing if we will trust him before we move forward. That trust is a patient trust. Whether it has to do with our relationships, our finances, our careers, or our dreams. We have to trust that God knows what he is doing.

Waiting on God reminds us that God is in control. Sometimes people ask, "But what do I do while I'm waiting?" Good question. During those waiting times, take on the active role of a watchman. "I wait for the Lord, my soul waits," declared the Psalmist, "I wait for Yahweh; I wait and put my hope in His word. I wait for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning - more than watchmen for the morning" (Ps. 130:5-6). In biblical times, watchmen vigilantly guarded the city. They watched for enemies who might attack at night, and they waited for the sun to come up. They were alert and obedient, ready to respond when needed. When called upon, they sprang into action. But on the other hand, watchmen didn't make things happen. They didn't control the rising of the sun. They couldn't speed up the process of the dawning of a new day. A watchman knew the difference between his job and God's job.

Waiting reminds me

that I am not in charge: I'm the patient. I'm in the waiting room. In the real issues of life, I am not just waiting around—I am waiting on God; therefore, I can trust his wisdom and his timing. I've heard it said that the person who waits on God loses no time. I can wait with confidence because I am waiting for someone, and that someone is God.

Waiting reminds me that I am not God. Fixing and controlling situations is like trying to expedite the rising of the sun. From time to time, I have to be reminded that I am not God (Aren't you glad?). My job is to be a watchman. I need to have a watchman's attitude: a confident and alert expectation that God will do what he said he would do.

Waiting on the Lord allows God to do his work: Not only do we want to do God's work, but also, we want to speed up his process. There is much that we could do and should be doing. There are many unmet needs. Many hurting people. Think of the many people spending eternity without Christ. Without a vision from God, these people will be lost.

God is working. During those times, we wait patiently on the Lord. We know that deep down he

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Mosquitoes are prevalent in India, especially as our home has a lot of trees and plants. Whenever we are sitting in the living room together and mosquitoes come to bite us, my sweet mom gets very furious. She will not leave the mosquitoes until she kills them. This strong reaction against mosquitoes surprised and shocked us, as we ourselves just drove away the mosquitoes. When I asked why, my mom told me she did not want mosquitoes to bite her children. Oh, what deep love, care, and concern. Pure love, selfless love with devotion, dedication, and determination...it was shocking, surprising. Praise Jesus, Alleluia. Also, I remember when we were growing up, whenever we used to fall sick due to fever, headache, etc., my loving mom used to sleep next to us. Whenever in the middle of the night we wake up due to uneasiness or pain, my mother will immediately put her hands on my forehead and ask gently, "Do you want to drink water?" "How are you feeling?" I used to be surprised and shocked because sometimes, at 12 o'clock, or 2 o'clock, or 3 o'clock in the middle of the night, I would suddenly wake up, and immediately, she would gently put her hands on my forehead. I asked how come you all the days of waysawakeupwhenIwake in the middle of the night. She said she doesn't sleep in the night when we are sick but she prays

Mosquitoes & My Mother

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the whole night, asking Jesus to give the disease of her son to her. So that her son should not suffer in pain and uneasiness. Great, Deep Love of Dear Precious Mother. If an earthly mother can exhibit such extreme love, care, and concern. How much more Heavenly mother Jesus Christ... Can a mother forget the infant at her breast, walk away from the baby she bore? But even if mothers forget, I'd never forget you—never. Look, I've written your names on the backs of my hands. The walls you're rebuilding are never out of my sight. Your builders are faster than your wreckers. The demolition crews are gone for good. Look up, look around, look well! Isaiah 49:15-17 In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them: in his love and in his pity he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old. Isaiah 63:9 My Beloved Brother and Sister, whenever you are in pain, sorrow, or agony, Jesus also feels your

pain, sorrow, or agony because Our Bones and Flesh are connected to his Bones and Flesh. Ephesians 5:30 Surely, Loving, Living Jesus will be moved with His Compassion and will have Mercy on you and touch and heal you. All your Pain and Diseases will disappear. The Bible says in Psalms 121:4 "Our Lord Jesus Never Sleeps nor Slumbers". Jesus is 24/7, 365 Days Awake to protect you, preserve you, prosper you, heal you, and deliver you. Because Jesus loves you deeply & Dearly. Jesus Christ is praying, crying, interceding for you, for your Blessings, Healing, Deliverance, Protection, Prosperity 24/7, 365 Days. Hebrews 7:25, Romans 8:34. Jesus became a man of Sorrows acquainted with Grief, just to give us Peace. Isaiah 53:3 Jesus will certainly protect you and take care of you. Psalms 121, Psalms 91 Don't get discouraged. Cheer Up! Give Jesus, the Lover of you, the Praise, Thanks, Glory!!!! Rev. Dr Samuel Massey B.E(Elect), M.B.A(Market & Fin), C-DAC, Ph.D

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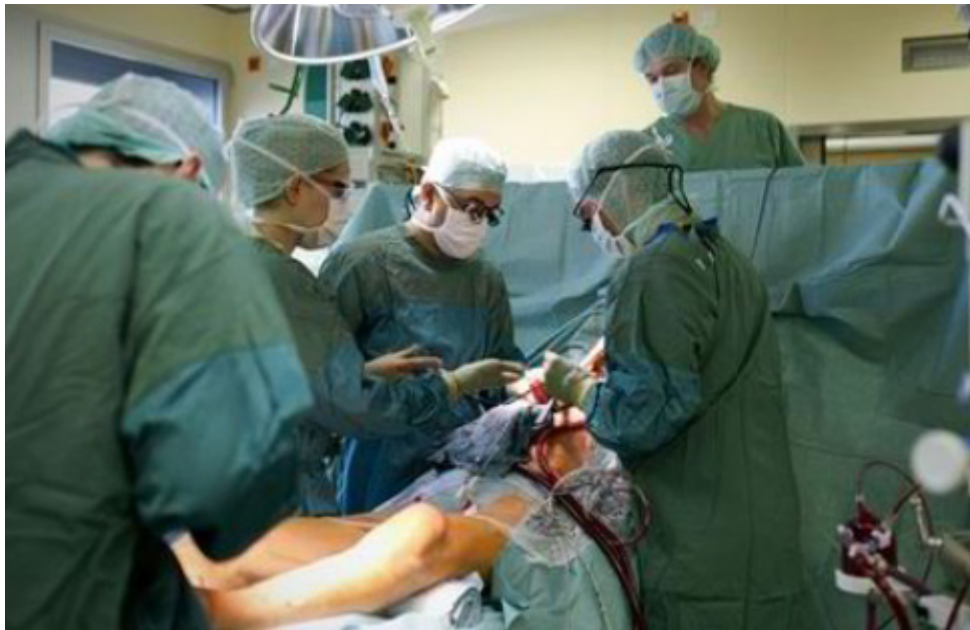
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The recent debates over in vitro fertilization and surrogacy have taught us that most Christians aren't prepared with answers for what's ahead. And that means we will be in even more trouble with crazier and more dystopian-sounding technology, which is surely on the way. If we do not embrace a robust theology of what it means to be human that includes the design and inherent goodness of the body, we'll have no idea whether to reject, redeem, or participate in the innovations. Just recently, an article in the MIT Technology Review explored growing human bodies without brains or consciousness in order to harvest their organs for transplant. According to the authors, who are three researchers at Stanford, the ability to create "spare bodies" for parts may be closer than we think. In fact, it's close enough that, they said, the public and lawmakers must

start thinking through the issue now. "Recent advances in biotechnology," the article stated, "now provide a pathway to producing living human bodies without the neural components that allow us to think, be aware, or feel pain." Such "bodyoids," as they call them, are possible due to recent medical innovations like pluripotent stem cells that "mimic" embryos, "genetic techniques to inhibit brain development," and "artificial uterus technology," which could be used to grow the bodies. Combined, these techniques could result in "a potentially unlimited source of human bodies ... that lack sentience or the ability to feel pain." The authors admit that many may find this possibility "disturbing" but, in a familiar refrain, argue that the potential benefits outweigh the risk. After all, bodyoids could enable faster approval of new drugs, shorter

wait times for organ replacement, and many lives saved. Yes, movies have been made to warn us against this kind of thing. Not least of which, Michael Bay's The Island with its plot about clones grown in a sealed-off community so customers in the real world can harvest their organs, is chillingly prescient. In that film, the moral conflict comes when the "bodyoids" become conscious. But does that make a difference? What if they were grown not from actual embryos, but from adult stem cells that behave like embryos? What if they're not whole bodies, but only collections of organs? Isn't this the type of stem cell research that bioethicists were advocating for years ago? Even if "bodyoids" would be mere spare parts, how many "spare parts" should we transplant into someone's body

and for what reasons? Is there a number of parts that is "too far"? Let's say, for the sake of discussion, "bodyoids" reached the stage at which they could replace much or even most of a person's body and were even better parts, possibly delaying or reversing aging. Is that something we should do? At what point does a quest for health become a quest for immortality? What even is a human body, if not the sum of its parts? Behind the desire to have a ready supply of "replacement" body parts is a strong dose of the modern Gnosticism that divides humans up body

and soul, along with the related assumption that a body is only a human being when conscious or able to feel pain. And that reveals the heart of this biotech crisis. Most Christians, specifically evangelical Protestants, lack the kind of ethical formation to even attempt answers to such questions. If we weren't ready for IVF, surrogacy, or the debate around so-called "fertility" treatments, or the aftermath of the birth control pill and how it taught modern couples to view sex and children, we don't have a prayer on this one. In Catholic circles, docu-

ments such as Pope Paul XI's Humanae Vitae and John Paul II's Theology of the Body lectures proved helpful. We need not agree with everything in those works (and I don't) to admit they represent deeply serious, theologically informed, and ethically and scientifically robust efforts to think through new technologies in light of the ancient truths of creation. And though it's fair to say that much of the Catholic laity do not always live consistently with this theology, a greater confusion results in not having the theological clarity at all. As science fiction-style... **To be continued Page:9**

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It's Worth the Wait

From Page 4 ...is working while it may be underneath, hidden deep in our character. In due time, God will reveal everything he's grown in us. Those who wait will never be put to shame. We will never be disappointed. **Waiting on God increases my strength:** Sometimes I struggle to remember that it's good to wait for the Lord. It isn't easy. It goes against the grain of our quick-fix society. But there's a hidden benefit in waiting. In times of waiting, my soul is revived and my spirit is renewed. Isaiah wrote, "But those who trust in the LORD will renew their strength; they will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not faint" (Is. 40:31). The time will come when those who wait on the Lord will soar. You, I, and the church will catch a gust of the Spirit. It was this gust of the Spirit that the disciples in Jerusalem

were instructed to wait on. It is that same gust of the Spirit that we need to wait on. And when it comes, hold on. We will be soaring. God is the great mover. We are to push, to work. And if we wait, in patient trust, remembering that God is in control, doing his work, increasing our strength, we will experience the move of God on our lives and in our church. An oak or a mushroom? It's been said that when God wants to grow mushrooms, he can do it overnight, but when he wants to grow a mighty oak, it takes a few years. What do we want to be, a mushroom or an oak? If we want to be an oak, it is well worth the wait. Noah waited 120 years before the predicted rain. Abraham waited 25 years for a promised son. Joseph waited 14 years in prison for a crime he didn't commit. Moses waited to see

the Promised Land. Jonah waited in the belly of the whale. Daniel waited in the Lion's Den. Israel waited on the coming of the Messiah. The disciples waited on the Holy Spirit. Paul and Silas waited in the Philippian jail. More importantly, the awaited goal is the work God does in us while we wait. Waiting matures us, prepares us, humbles us, teaches us, and keeps us reliant on God. Think about the guys who waited on God. Could you wait 120 years for rain? I'm not sure I would be as patient as Noah. Of course, He had a pretty big project to keep himself occupied. So, the next time you get tired of waiting, think of everyone who had to wait years to see what God promised. Then, take a deep breath and go on waiting. God will surely come through for you, just as He did for me.

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Hebrews 2:6-8 (NKJV)
"What is man that You
are mindful of him,
Or the son of man that
You take care of him?"

You have made him a lit-
tle lower than the angels;
You have crowned him
with glory and honor,
And set him over the
works of Your hands.
You have put all things
in subjection under his
feet."

Abba Father, Your plan
for man was in Your
heart from the very be-
ginning. Redemption
Plan!

To think that You made
Your Son a little lower

than the angels! The Word
made flesh! The Perfect
Son of God made Son of
Man. Such love is the love
of God!

All hail King Jesus, now
crowned with glory and
honor, who once wore a
crown of thorns. What is
man, that You are mindful
of him?

Thank You that Jesus is
seated at the right hand
of God the Father and all
things are in subjection
under His feet. Feet once
nailed to the cross today
places all things under His
authority.

Because He was made
lower to raise up a people

higher to reign with Him
as kings and priests.

Thank You that You made
something beautiful out
of me! You made me to
love You with a perfect
heart! One cleansed
from all sin.

Beloved, put on those
garments of righteous-
ness that was made just
for you. Learn from Him
who was made low how
to follow Him first through
the eye of the needle
(that's another devotion-
al) and rise up to speak
as a king and priest.

The Lord is mindful!
In Jesus name, Made!
In Jesus name, I live.



Lord of the Storm, Cry Out, He will Hear!

By Ken Carpenter | elderkc134@gmail.com

Back in 1997, we rented
a home from a Minister.
A few years before, we
lost our business, our
home and were strug-
gling financially, my wife
would say; I will never
have another home, I
would tell her, The Lord
will provide, I told her
that, mostly to appease
her, being numb from the
storms we were going
through myself.

One Saturday, we went
to the flea market. Later,
when we got home, on
our answering machine
was a message from our
landlord, giving us a 30-
day notice to vacate our

home, as he had to move
into it himself. We had to
find a place, with no cred-
it, little money and a short
time, it can put you into a
panic.

We found out I could
get a VA loan because
I had been in the Army.
But didn't have the
down payment, out of
the blue, a guy I worked
with said; this morning in
prayer, I feel led to give

you \$1,800.00, what we
needed for the down pay-
ment. We found a house
under construction, and
my wife got to pick out
the paint and light fix-
tures. Truly a blessing,

she couldn't believe it
was happening!

We had one problem: we
needed a refrigerator.

We applied for credit at
a couple of chain stores
but were turned down. At
the closing, the attorney
said; I made a mistake
in the math, I have a ca-
shier's check to give you
for \$999.99 to balance
the account. We used it
to buy the refrigerator.

My God supplied all my
needs when I could not;
He made me nervous
along the way, but He
has never failed! He is
the Lord of the storm, cry
out, He will hear!

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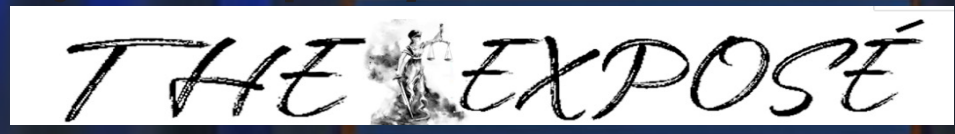
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Transhumanism is a death cult; followers believe in salvation by digital technology instead of salvation by God

By Rhoda Wilson | www.expose-news.com/author/rhoda-wilson



The transhumanist dream is to live forever. Living forever in the digital cloud or the mainframe computer in the sky constitutes the transhumanists' religious doctrine. It is salvation by digital technology. Transhumanism is clearly a religion – indeed, a particular type of neo-Gnostic religion, Aaron Kheriaty says.

"It attracts adherents to day—including educated, wealthy, powerful, culturally influential adherents – because it taps into unfulfilled, deeply religious aspirations and longings. Transhumanism is an ersatz substitute religion for a secular age," he said. After describing what transhumanists are aiming for, Kheriaty said, *"I can only*

conclude that the transhumanists' dream is ... a philosophy of death." Aaron Kheriaty is Senior Fellow and Director of the Program in Health and Human Flourishing at the Zephyr Institute, Fellow and Director of the Bioethics and American Democracy Program at the Ethics and Public Policy Centre, and Scholar at the Paul

Ramsey Institute. He also serves on the advisory board at the Simone Weil Centre for Political Philosophy. Earlier this month, he gave a lecture on transhumanism at Hillsdale College CCA's 'Artificial Intelligence' seminar. He demonstrated how Yuval Noah Harari's beliefs, the same philosophy among many of today's elites, can be traced back to an ideology that existed during the 1940s, as demonstrated by C.S. Lewis' book 'That Hideous Strength'.

Transhumanism and AI: An Ideology of Death By Aaron Kheriaty, 15 April 2025

Here's the video link to my recent talk at Hillsdale College on AI and Transhumanism.

SCAN:



I'm including the link below for the text of the speech if you prefer to read rather than watch it.



Hillsdale College: Transhumanism and AI | Aaron Kheriaty, 4 April 2025 (55 mins)

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Aaron Kheriaty, MD, is a psychiatrist and director of the Bioethics and American Democracy Program at the Ethics and Public Policy Centre. This lecture was adapted from his book, 'The New Abnormal: The Rise of

the Biomedical Security State' (Regnery, 2022).

Rhoda Wilson

While previously it was a hobby culminating in writing articles for Wikipedia (until things made a drastic and undeniable turn in 2020) and a few books for private consumption, since March 2020 I have become a full-time researcher and writer in reaction to the global takeover that came into full view with the introduction of covid-19. For most of my life, I have tried to raise awareness that a small group of people planned to take over the world for their own benefit. There was no way I was going to sit back quietly and simply let them do it once they made their final move.



The Miracle of Christian Retreat

From Page 1



From Page 1 ... my parents. My brother, Phil, and I were toddlers, and I have flashes of memory of that historical revival. One of those memories, as a 3-year-old, was a vision of Jesus, with me sitting on His lap. On the heels of that revival, a prophetic word led our young family to Sarasota, Florida, where we met a Mennonite businessman, Henry M. Brunk. He had established a non-profit corporation, Gospel Crusade, Inc., in 1953 to facilitate his mission work in Haiti. Upon hearing Gerald's testimony, he realized their vision was the same: to fulfill the Great Commission...go into all the world and preach the Gospel, winning souls to Christ. Brunk set Gerald up in evangelistic ministry with a revival tent and all the equipment, including a travel trailer for our family. During the early years of the Charismatic Renewal, Gerald planted numerous churches throughout the U.S., among them The Tabernacle in Sarasota, built across the street from where he had been holding an

extended tent revival. As God provided the resources, hundreds of churches, schools, orphanages, and clinics were established in Haiti, Honduras, Israel, Romania, the Philippines, and many other countries. We children have fond memories of traveling with our parents in ministry, singing together, and listening to our Dad teach on the Kingdom of God and the baptism in the Holy Spirit. A second generation of leaders now serve on these mission fields as an end-time witness to the power of Jesus Christ.

Christian Retreat is Born

While pastoring in Sarasota during the 60s, Gerald began envisioning a Christian conference center and community where retirees could be "re-fired" and find fulfillment by participating in the ministry. It seemed like an impossible dream, but in 1968, a 110-acre tract of land on the Manatee River went on the market for a "quick sale," and Christian Retreat was born. Surrounded by dairy farms and cow pastures, the property was

vacant save for an aged 2-story house infested with cockroaches and termites, and several small outbuildings. An overgrown orange grove and tangled scrub spoke of long-time neglect. But Gerald saw his dream. A place of peace where people from all denominations could gather to worship and grow in their walk with God. So he and his family, the Brunks, and several other church families rolled up their sleeves. Fifty-seven years later, Christian Retreat Conference Center and The Family Church in Bradenton, now led by Pastor Phil Derstine, stand as a testimony to prophecy fulfilled and the faithfulness of God. The senior Derstine went to his heavenly reward in 2022. At 93, he was still in the pulpit just weeks before his passing, preaching about the Kingdom of God. Beulah, his beloved wife of 67 years and heart of the ministry, preceded him six years earlier. At 89, he married a longtime friend of the family, Shirley Nafziger, also widowed, and they enjoyed four years together.



Humble Beginnings

It began small. The first services at the Retreat were held in the old house on the riverbank, meals prepared in the kitchen. Gerald began creating a master plan for the property, beginning with a parsonage for his family. Brunk, in his 70s at the time, oversaw the construction and built a home for himself and his wife next door. The first sanctuary was a balloon tent, pitched over an old, cracked cement slab buried on the property. Gerald began inviting speakers he had built

relationships with over his years of itinerating—and the people came. From day one, our father firmly believed in "family ministry." All through the Bible, God had called and anointed families to do His work, he said. He put us all to work, and after college, we children returned to help the ministry in various departments. Phil and I chose to stay and make this our life calling. The dining facility became the next project and soon doubled as a meeting place. Just as Gerald had envisioned,

friends began expressing a desire to live in a Christian community, and a 76-unit mobile home park came into being, followed by 64 condominium units and an RV park. How could a man with a mere high school education and no finances accomplish this? Gerald simply believed that, with God, nothing was impossible! "Just DO it!" he would say. Was it easy? Hardly. We endured many deep valleys along with the mountaintop experiences. Times... To be continued Page:8





What Happens When a Pope Dies?

By Carmel Communications|

ROS WELL, Ga., /Chris-
tian Newswire/ — The
death of a pope is a turn-
ing point for the Roman
Catholic Church and for
all people around the
globe. Now that Pope
Francis has passed, the
Catholic Church stands
at a crossroads.
As the faithful navigate
a period of mourning for
St. Peter's successor,
attention now turns to
the controversies that
marked Pope Francis'
pontificate and the chal-
lenges that await the
next pope. Pope Francis
was a figure of consider-
able change and debate
within the Church. His
efforts to modernize the
Church's approach to
various issues sparked
both approval and dis-
sent.
Controversies surround-
ing the Latin Mass, for
example, intensified, es-
pecially after his 2021
motu proprio, "Traditio-
nis Custodes," which im-
posed restrictions on its
celebration. Millions of
Catholics who wished to

preserve the indult, intro-
duced by Pope John Paul
II and given even wid-
er permissions by Pope
Benedict XVI, voiced
their concerns, feeling
their liturgical preferenc-
es were being marginal-
ized. Others, however,
applauded the move as
a necessary step toward
unity.
Additionally, Pope Fran-
cis faced significant chal-
lenges in addressing
family and life issues.
While traditional in his
views on abortion and
transgenderism, his calls
for greater compassion
and inclusion regard-
ing divorced and civilly
remarried couples and
LGBTQ+ relationships
raised concerns among
many in the Church who
felt these changes un-
dermined the deposit
of faith that has guided
the Catholic Church for
2,000 years. His unique
approach to these sensi-
tive and culturally contro-
versial topics led to ongo-
ing debates about

the Church's direction in
a rapidly changing world.
As the Catholic Church
prepares for the inter-
regnum—a time when
the College of Cardinals
will gather to elect a new
pope—the next pope will
inherit a complex land-
scape. The successor
must balance the need
for the Church to be a
strong voice in the culture
with the desires of tradi-
tional Catholics who seek
to preserve and protect
the core teachings of the
Catholic Church.
The next pope will face
the daunting task of uni-
fying a divided Church
while addressing press-
ing issues such as the
future of the Latin Mass,
the Church's stance on
family, gender and the
dignity of life and its ap-
proach to contemporary
life and moral issues.
The potential for ongoing
division, even schism, is
real, and the urgency for
a leader capable of fos-
tering dialogue and heal-
ing is paramount.
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SAY: A New Social Media Platform for Christians

By: @SAY | www.vinly.co/o/say

MEDIA ADVISORY,
April 26, 2025 /Chris-
tian Newswire/ — Piet
de Kock has announced
his new startup called
SAY — a social media
platform for Christians.
He explains, "Every Day
Something to Say" is
our slogan and we want
people to know that to-
day, in this moment, we
have something to say.
So, support us! Because
SAY is not about denom-
ination. It's not about our
differences. It's about
our faith. We just want
Christians to recognize
one another by what we
have in common: God's
armor."
Piet's recipe for the suc-
cess of SAY is based on
addressing the needs of
the 2.6 billion Christians
worldwide as he explains
how "more than half of

Christians believe social
media is more harmful
than helpful but use it
anyway. Christians are
inspired to have some-
thing to say every day.
No one is being asked to
give up their denomina-
tion. Quite the contrary
— because we think it
will help every denomina-
tion that follows Christ's
teachings. This is simply
a social media platform
for everyone who calls
themselves Christian."
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Piet de Kock is the
founder of SAY and au-
thor dedicated to the
restoration of the biblical
tradition of handwritten
letters in Christian faith.
He has a doctorate in
Design and his research
into visual sustainability
in Christian faith is ongo-
ing.

The Miracle of Christian Retreat



From Page 7... when it
would have been a re-
lief to throw in the tow-
el. There were lots of
Jericho marches around
boxes of bills, and nights
spent on our faces crying
out to God. There was
disappointment when
faced with betrayal or
false accusations.
God still has a way
of keeping us on our
knees. But we have seen
enough to know that, as
we "trust in the Lord with
all our hearts" (Prov. 3:5),
He will come through and
truth prevail. Over the
years, we can look back
and see a track record
of God's faithfulness.
Time after time. And we
wouldn't be here without
the covenant friends and
partners who made the
journey with us.
In the early 70s, work
began on the 1,200-seat
Tabernacle sanctuary.
The cement floor was
barely dry in 1973 when
a parade of well-known
speakers came for week-
long conferences. They
continued year-round for
17 years, with a virtual
Who's Who of the Char-
ismatic world coming to
our doorstep: Pat Robert-
son, Jim Bakker, Benny

Hinn, R.W. Schambach,
David Wilkerson, to
name a few. Weekly Sat-
urday night concerts fea-
tured celebrated artists
like Andrae Crouch, Pat
Boone, Tom Netherton,
The Goodmans, Doug
Oldham, Second Chap-
ter of Acts and Honey-
Tree.
The mission has always
been to train and equip
believers to be "able
ministers" of the Word
(2 Cor. 3:5,6). The In-
stitute of Ministry, a 10-
week School of the Spirit
was inaugurated in 1975,
and today, 50 years later,
more than 8,000 students
have been graduated
and are sharing Christ's
love in their communities
worldwide.
We broke ground on the
3-story, 99-unit Miracle
Manor riverfront facili-
ty in 1978. Oral Roberts
came in 1988 to dedicate
the International Train-
ing Center adjacent to
the Tabernacle, a 2-sto-
ry building with 27,000
square feet of meeting
space.
Phil Derstine Follows
in Father's Footsteps
In 1986, Phil was or-
dained as senior pastor
of The Family Church at
Christian Retreat. A grad-
uate of Oral Roberts with
a degree in Business
Administration and Tele-
communications, he ini-
tially ran from the thought
of following in his father's
footsteps. But a divine
visitation eventually gave
him a heart for pastoring
a local congregation that
would be the foundation
of Gospel Crusade's out-

reaches and serve the
surrounding community.
Known for his "unconven-
tional soulwinning," he
has a passion for evan-
gelism. Phil and Jan-
nette, married 50 years,
co-pastor the vibrant and
growing Family Church
and have continued the
legacy of Phil's parents,
accepting the mantle of
leadership into the next
generation.
Christian Retreat, "your
place in God's Presence,"
has blessed hundreds
of thousands over the
past 57 years, between
its ministry outreaches,
and facilitating over 100
other church groups an-
nually with their own re-
treats and conferences.
Walk through the meet-
ing rooms on weekends
and catch a glimpse of
heaven when you hear
believers from different
cultures singing praises
to God and ministering in
different languages.
A keynote prophecy giv-
en in the 1955 visitation
that birthed this minis-
try proclaimed, "There
shall be revival taking
place across the face of
the earth like man never
witnessed before, even
greater than the day of
Pentecost! No man nor
any organization will re-
ceive any of the glory in
this revival, but ONLY
THE LORD THY GOD!
This revival thus far has
gone only about one and
one-half drops in a ten-
quart pail in comparison
to what shall take place
on this earth!"
Seventy years clos-
er to Christ's return,



we see it happening. At
The Family Church, we
are experiencing a fresh
surge of evangelistic fer-
vor, boldly going out into
the marketplace, the
beach, the bars, and for-
eign fields, to share the
Gospel and win souls to
Christ. May the fire con-
tinue to burn as we work
until He comes!
I have been privileged
to have a front-row seat.
I have seen the power
of the Cross radically
change a life. I have wit-
nessed the miracle-work-
ing power of God heal a
body, a mind, a marriage,
an addiction. I have often
thought, what if my par-
ents had chosen to play it
safe when asked to com-
promise their convictions
in 1955? Others did. But
a fire had been ignited,
one that they couldn't
stamp out for comfort or
fear of man.



When God pays you a
visit, there's no turning
back.
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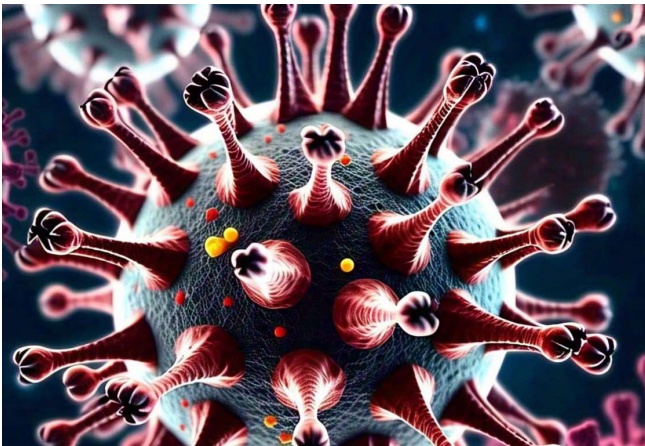
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WASHINGTON, D.C. — Last week, the White House unveiled a new COVID-19.gov website citing evidence that the virus’ “true origins” were most likely from a “lab leak” incident involving gain-of-function research in Wuhan, China. The website is a wholesale replacement of the Biden administration’s COVID-19 resources page which had promoted vaccination and testing. The single, long scrolling page criticizes pandemic response policies, admonishes the discrediting of the lab leak theory, and comprehensively presents evidence that the virus leaked from the Wuhan Institute of Virology. The website, titled “LAB LEAK” and “The True Origins of COVID-19,” credits the source of its information to the House Oversight Committee’s Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic. The site first targets the narrative of Dr. Anthony Fauci, Biden’s former chief medical advisor, who pushed the notion the COVID-19 virus “originated naturally.” The site presents five evidence bullet points for the lab leak stating the virus contains “biological characteristics not found in nature,” and that data suggests it came to humans through a “single introduction point” unlike previous pandemics. The evidence then noted that Wuhan, the capital of Hubei and the eighth-most-populous city in China, is the site of the first known COVID-19 case. It is also home to “China’s foremost SARS

lab,” which “has a history of conducting gain-of-function research (gene altering and organism supercharging)” and doing so at “inadequate biosafety levels.” Researchers from the Wuhan Institute were also reported sick with COVID-like symptoms in 2019, which was months before the virus was discovered at the city’s wet market. “By nearly all measures of science, if there was evidence of a natural origin it would have already surfaced. But it hasn’t” reads the website. In early 2025, the Trump administration’s CIA concluded a lab leak was the “likely” origin of the virus, which had been long cast off by mass media and scientists as a “conspiracy.” However, the New York Times and many other outlets have since reported the lab leak as credible and that the scientific community had been “badly misled.” On the site, the Trump administration also faulted the National Institutes of Health and EcoHealth Alliance for using taxpayer funding to conduct “dangerous” gain-of-function research at the Wuhan lab. Officials from both organizations are alleged to have evaded federal record keeping laws and obstructed investigations. The website stated the Department of Justice has opened an investigation into EcoHealth’s pandemic-era activities. The White House then criticized the World

Health Organization’s pandemic response as “an abject failure” for caving under Chinese Communist Party pressure to put “China’s political interests ahead of its international duties.” As for the pandemic response in general, the site noted there was no conclusive evidence that the “six feet apart” social distancing rules, mask mandates, and lockdowns were effective, but rather caused “immeasurable harm” to the economy and to the mental and physical health of Americans. Under a section called “COVID-19 misinformation,” the site states public health officials have often misled Americans “through conflicting messaging, knee-jerk reactions, and a lack of transparency.” “Most egregiously, the federal government demonized alternative treatments and disfavored narratives, such as the lab leak theory, in a shameful effort to coerce and control the American people’s health decisions,” continued the White House. When those efforts failed, the White House noted, the Biden administration “colluded” with the world’s social media companies to conduct “outright censorship” of “all COVID-19-related dissent.” Liberty Counsel Founder and Chairman Mat Staver said, “This website from the White House brings evidence-based information and transparency to the American people.

The lab leak and the ensuing pandemic response inflicted devastating collateral damage on the nation. Common sense tells us that shot mandates, lockdowns, lack of transparency, and censorship had nothing to do with science or health. We must never allow what we experienced during COVID to happen again.” Contact: www.LC.org



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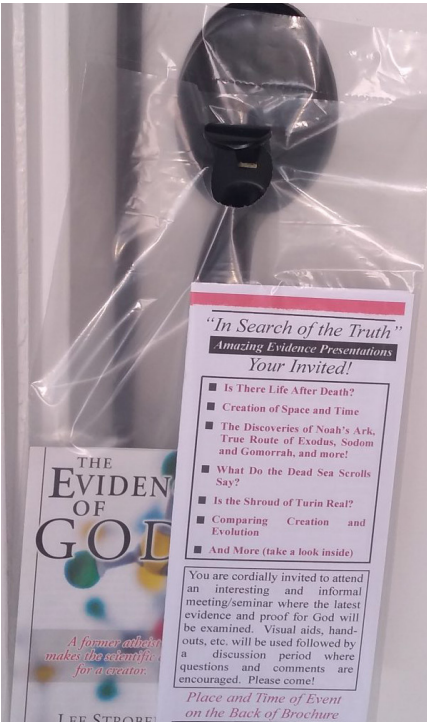
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Even the Stanford authors admitted that “theethical and social issues are at least as important as the scientific ones. Just because something can be done does not mean it should be done.” They don’t mean that, at least according to everything else they wrote, but I couldn’t agree more. Let’s ask the hard questions and pursue God-honoring answers. **LifeNews Note:** John Stonestreet writes for BreakPoint.org. This article was originally posted here. This Breakpoint was co-authored by Shane Morris. **SUPPORT LIFENEWS! If you want to help fight abortion, please donate to LifeNews.com! www.LifeNews.com**

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TPS ends for Afghan evacuees; Christians at risk
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Afghans evacuated from Kabul, Afghanistan, shortly after the Taliban takeover.
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USA (MNN) — Afghans living in the United States could face deportation when temporary protections expire as early as May 20. Hundreds of Afghan citizens and military allies were evacuated and given Temporary Protected Status or TPS following the sloppy withdrawal of U.S. troops from Afghanistan in 2021. These legal protections will expire for approximately 14,600 Afghans in May, while others will lose them from July through October. Some Afghan military allies in Des Moines, Iowa, began receiving deportation notices in April. “They’re (politicians) thinking at the 30,000-foot level of ‘we want to accomplish this goal,’ or ‘we want to lessen the number of people who are here on certain types

of visas,’ but they’re not thinking about people who are here because they would be in danger if they go home,” Todd Nettleton with The Voice of the Martyrs USA says. While anyone known to partner with the U.S. would be at risk under Taliban rule in Afghanistan, believers fall into a special category. They’re considered apostates. “The Quran teaches that apostates should be allowed to return to Islam, and if they refuse, they should be killed, so it is not overstatement at all to say that lives are at risk if Christians are forced to return to Afghanistan,” Nettleton explains. “Being forced to return could mean arrest. It could mean imprisonment. It could even mean death.” Faith leaders are lobbying the Trump adminis-

tration for deportation exemptions for roughly 300 Afghan Christians sheltering in the U.S. “I’m thankful for Christian leaders who have the ear of the White House and are raising this issue, saying if we send those people back to Afghanistan, they are likely to be imprisoned or killed,” Nettleton says. “That needs to be something that the White House understands and can be factored into some of these decisions.” **Find your place in the story** If you’re reading this in the U.S., consider sharing this report with your representative. “Letting our government leaders know this is something we’re concerned about, something we do not support, hopefully, gets their attention

and allows those making these decisions to consider at the ground level what these policies mean,” Nettleton says. “You make policy at a 30,000-foot level, and when you get down on the ground amongst real people affected by that policy, you realize that oftentimes, there are some unintended consequences along the way.” Most importantly, pray. Nettleton requests that you “pray for US government leaders to have wisdom and discernment” as they make decisions and shape foreign policy. “Pray also for Afghan Christians wondering what the future holds,” he says. Learn why Afghanistan is a dangerous place for those who follow Jesus. +++ +++ +++ +++ +++

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Protecting Children From Obscene LGBTQ Performance in Florida

NAPLES, FL – Liberty Counsel filed an amicus brief in federal district court in Naples Pride v. City of Naples on behalf of several concerned Collier County parents to prevent an indecent and sexually explicit drag show from being performed outdoors in front of children at an upcoming June “pride” festival. The Naples City Council recently voted 5-2 to move the drag show indoors and put an adults-only restriction on the event to shield impressionable children. Naples Pride, an LGBTQ advocacy group, and the ACLU then sued seeking a preliminary injunction that requires the city to issue the group a special events permit without any of the imposed location or age restrictions. A preliminary injunction hearing will take place tomorrow, May 2, at 10 a.m. in the U.S. District Court Middle District of

Florida. While Naples Pride characterizes the drag show as “family friendly,” several parents of young children who frequent Cambier Park where the festival has been held previously strongly disagree. In the brief, they present photographic documentation of scenes from a 2022 outdoor show held just 100 feet from a children’s playground. These images depict male performers in obscene drag performing lewd poses and simulating sexual acts that are unsuitable for minors. The drag performers also invited children to place money in their waste bands like strippers in a bar as the men shook their over-stuffed brazier tops and “twerked” their fish net covered hind ends mimicking sexual activities no child should ever see. The scenes are revolting and totally inap-

propriate for children. The city of Naples revoked the group’s permit to use the park after these lewd 2022 performances, and the Naples Pride was forced to take their sexual deviancy celebration behind closed doors. In 2023 and 2024, the event was held inside and away from children in the park. But this year, the same group wants to publicly display their scantily clad bodies to visually assault the children and indoctrinate them. However, in 2023, the Florida legislature acted passing SB 1438, the “Protection of Children Act.” This act, now law under FL Statute Section 4, 827.11 (1)(a), makes it a crime to conduct an “Adult Live Performance” in front of children. According to the law, “adult live performance” isn’t simply limited to drag shows, but “any show, exhibition, or oth-

er presentation in front of a live audience which, in whole or in part, depicts or simulates nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, or specific sexual activities...lewd conduct, or the lewd exposure of prosthetic or imitation genitals or breasts.” Despite a federal judge narrowly blocking enforcement of that law for a single Florida agency, that ruling is under appeal and “does not erase or suspend” the law itself. Liberty Counsel also notes that Naples’ permitting process is structured to balance both free expression under the First Amendment while maintaining public safety and protecting children from obscenity. As U.S. Supreme Court precedents have made clear, the government has a “compelling interest in protecting the physical and psychological well-being of minors,” which “extends to shielding minors” from indecent material. “The city’s requirement that the drag show be held indoors and out of view of children passes



constitutional muster because it is well-settled that the government has a compelling interest in protecting children,” wrote Liberty Counsel. “There is no constitutional interest in exhibiting indecent material to minors.” Liberty Counsel Founder and Chairman Mat Staver said, “The Naples City Council rightfully voted down exposing chil-

dren to lewd, indecent, or sexually explicit displays. The First Amendment does not protect obscene drag performances in full view of a children’s playground. Protected free speech for adults can be lawfully restricted for children without violating the Constitution. Citizens do not have to tolerate obscene drag shows in view of their children.” Contact: LC.org

Miracle on the Beach: How One Woman’s Radical Encounter Sparked a Move of God on Anna Maria Island

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From Page 1... the top 1% in Manatee and Sarasota County, Jeanine risked it all. “I didn’t care if anyone hired me again,” she remembers. “I knew what Jesus had done for me, and I was obedient. The Holy Spirit told me to go out and reconcile the lost back to God through His love.”

A New Mission: Worship on the Water

Led by the Holy Spirit, Jeanine eventually felt prompted to go to Holmes Beach on Anna Maria Island. It started with a desire to baptize one person, but God had a bigger plan.

Even though there were early battles — police calls, code enforcement issues, and spiritual opposition — Jeanine and her team stood firm. Today, Anna Maria Island Worship on the Water has become a thriving move of God for locals and tourists.

What was once met with resistance is now embraced by the community. Restaurants that once called the police now welcome the worshippers. Families plan their vacations around the Saturday services, asking not just for beach chairs but for baptisms and prayer! “We don’t just set up anywhere,” Jeanine says. “Every time, the Holy Spirit places us exactly where someone needs a touch from Jesus.” Hundreds have been baptized in the Gulf.

Countless lives have been healed, delivered, and set free — right on the sand, outside the Anna Maria Island Beach Café near the lifeguard tower. Rainstorms have circled around their gatherings, sparing the worshippers as they praise under open skies — a visible sign of God’s protection.

Testimonies of Transformation

One of the most remarkable miracles involved a young mother trapped in witchcraft and generational bondage. After encountering the team, she was baptized, delivered, and filled with the Holy Spirit. Her husband soon gave his life to Christ. They went from having nothing to having their own home, a new car, and a brand-new life with their 2 young children.

Other miracles include:

- **Healed from a lifetime of epilepsy:** The girl with the graduation gown and diploma is a great healing testimony. I met her that night and after I prayed with her, a lifetime of epilepsy completely went away and Jesus healed her!

- **Freedom from Viking Occult:** A woman was led to come to this location ago during the tragedy of her husband being on life support. She came back to Anna Maria Island: Worship on the Water after

6 months of his passing wanting help. The Lord revealed she needed freedom. Here’s the whole story of the powerful testimony,

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Expanding the Vision: Ignite Evangelism Training

Jeanine’s vision doesn’t stop at the beach.

Wedding Miracle:



Through Ignite Weekends, held at The Family Church at the Christian Retreat, she and her team now train others to boldly share the Gospel, pray for the sick, cast out demons, and launch new outreaches. The two-day events are free and filled with hands-on training, live evangelism outings, and opportunities for participants to receive personal healing and deliverance.

“Many people want to evangelize but are afraid because they don’t know how,” Jeanine says. “We don’t just teach — we empower and equip them to go out and do it hands-on!” The next Ignite Weekend is August 1-2, with another scheduled in October. Attendees can even book discounted lodging at Miracle Manor, the on-site hotel. Past events have birthed entire new ministries and ignited personal revivals in churches across the

region. “Jesus is King. We just follow His voice and obey— and He’s moving!” Jeanine rejoices.

Want to Encounter the Power of God for Yourself?

Anna Maria Island Worship on the Water meets two to three Saturdays a month at Manatee Beach, Holmes Beach, Florida (north side of the Anna Maria Island Beach Café near the lifeguard tower). For current schedules, join the Facebook group: Anna Maria Island Worship on the Water.

Ignite Evangelism Training at Christian Retreat is free. Register through the Eventbrite link or scan the QR code on their flyers. Free childcare is provided.

Come — whether you need healing, deliverance, or just a fresh touch from heaven. Jesus is alive. He’s still doing miracles. And He’s waiting for you on the beach.

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From Gang Leader to Born-Again Pastor: The Testimony of Pastor Nelson David

Tala, Caloocan, Manila, Philippines

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"I used to be an ex-con-vict," Pastor Nelson David begins. At just 9 years old, Nelson and his family moved to Balintawak, Manila. It was there that his troubled journey began. By age 9, he had already been exposed to inhalants and street life. At 10, 11, and 12, he was snatching purses and running from the police. He wanted nothing to do with school. Crime and chaos became his way of life. "My father was the right hand of the infamous Asiong Salonga—the so-called 'King of Tondo,'" Nelson explains. "He was small in size but feared by many for his boldness and violent acts." But God, in His mercy, had a different plan for Nelson's life. At the age of 23, while imprisoned in the notorious Muntinlupa prison, Nelson encountered the transforming power of the Gospel. "I met Dolphy Jr., the son of late Dolphy, the comedy king of Philippine cinema, along with many other men," he recalls. "But it was a pastor who shared the Word of God with me. That's when I realized I was a lost sheep."

He references a well-known song in the Philippines, "Tupang Ligaw" (Lost Sheep), which says, "Wealth and pleasures are meaningless if Christ is not in our lives." That message struck a deep chord in him. After his release, Nelson moved to Bagong Silang and came across the "Bulabog Boys"—a feared gang known for violence, robbery, and intimidation. "They were notorious in the area," he says. "But by God's grace, I was able to minister to them. One of their leaders, Val Manalo, is now a pastor himself." Nelson started a church in Bagong Silang and began reaching out to the community. "I preached to the gang members, drug addicts, and troublemakers. I told them the truth—there's no future in vices. I tried it all: cigarettes, drugs, alcohol, and gambling. It nearly drove me insane." He shared how his own mother once feared for his mental health due to his reckless behavior. "I'd run down the streets, lost in my mind. But God rescued me." After prison, Nelson enrolled in the Alternative Learning System (ALS), determined to finish school. "I told the Lord, 'If You really want to change my life, help me finish college.' I had no money. My parents were poor. But when you trust in the Lord, He makes a way."

He not only graduated but also became a pastor, ministering in places he was once feared. "Police who used to chase me now call me 'Pastor.' Whether in Tondo, Caloocan, the city jail, or the province of Sorsogon, they show me respect." Nelson doesn't sugarcoat the pain of prison life. "No one wants to be locked up. It's not just confinement, it's survival. Violence and abuse are real. I thank God someone shared the Word with me while I was there."

He now warns others, especially his own children, not to follow the path he once walked. "One of my sons is a police officer. I told him, 'I don't want you to become who I was. Learn from my mistakes.' By God's mercy, they listened."

From darkness to light, from chains to the pulpit—Pastor Nelson David's story is living proof that no one is beyond the reach of God's redeeming grace.

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