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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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Did Michael Jackson pray to receive Christ before his death?

By Mark Ellis - God Report | www.godreports.com

Last month, Rodney Jenkins, who worked with Michael Jackson on the *Invincible* album, said the controversial megastar known as the King of Pop had received Christ two weeks before his untimely death in June 2009. Jenkins stated on *The Breakfast Club* radio show that Sandra Crouch and vocal coach Seth Riggs told him Jackson had prayed the "sinner's prayer" two weeks before his death.

On *The Breakfast Club* recorded June 12, 2025, Jenkins said: "The ultimate reward is when I go to his funeral and Sandra Crouch and Seth Riggs, his vocal coach, says, 'Yeah, Michael received Christ two weeks ago. He had us pray. He did the sinner's prayer.'"

Sandra Crouch and her twin brother Andraé Crouch, gospel musicians of legendary status, confirmed meeting with Jackson in the weeks before his death to discuss music and matters of faith. Andraé has been called "the father of modern gospel music."

They prayed and sang together, focusing on the "anointing of the Holy Spirit" to make Jackson's music more spiritual.



In addition to their musical careers, Sandra and her brother were also co-pastors at the New Christ Memorial Church of God in Christ in Pacoima, California, a church founded by their parents. After her brother passed in 2015, Sandra continued her work as senior pastor.

Sandra died on March 17, 2024, at the age of 81, due to complications from radiation treatment for a non-cancerous brain lesion.

Before her death, Sandra denied on her Facebook page that they led Jackson to accept Christ, stating, "It has been

brought to my attention that several media outlets have been erroneously reporting that my brother, Andrae Crouch and me met our dear friend Michael Jackson several weeks prior to his death so he could accept Christ. This is incorrect and absolutely not true."

In 2009 Sandra was quoted as saying: "Andre and I did visit with Michael Jackson ... Michael did not reject Jesus or the prayer when we prayed, and we were extremely pleased with his response ... However, nothing was said about a 'conversion.'"

Nevertheless, Jackson was spiritually inquisitive.

Raised as a Jehovah's Witness, he distanced himself from the organization in 1987 due to conflicts with his career. He explored various beliefs, including Christianity, Islam, and Kabbalah, and was known to read the Bible and pray regularly.

A 2024 article from *Exaudi*, suggested Jackson had a deep faith and may have leaned toward Catholicism. Jermaine Jackson noted Michael's interest in Islam but denied a conversion, stating he died a Jehovah's Witness.

Sadly, there's no conclusive evidence that

Jackson prayed to receive Christ two weeks before his death.

Only God knew his true spiritual condition when he left this earth, and where he resides forevermore.

If you want to know more about a personal relationship with God, go here:

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From Persecution to Refuge: A Pakistani Pastor's Journey of Faith and Survival

By Pastor Michael Nazir; Special for He's Alive News

A Pakistani Christian family, led by Pastor Michael Nazir, has endured decades of persecution, torture, imprisonment, and threats due to their unwavering faith in Jesus Christ. Today, they are living as refugees in Nepal, clinging to hope and trusting in God for a better future.

A Childhood Spark of Faith

Pastor Michael Nazir, now 62, first encountered the love of Christ at a young age while studying for a scholarship in fifth grade. He stayed frequently at the home of his Christian

teacher, Master Barkat Masih, where he witnessed the peace and joy of a family that prayed together. Drawn by the presence of God, Michael expressed a desire to become a Christian. Despite his teacher's warning that his Muslim family would oppose it, young Michael insisted—and his life was forever changed.

When his family found out, they beat him and locked him inside their home. He escaped and eventually found refuge with a Christian organization. On May 15, 1973,



he arrived at Pakistan Adventist Seminary in Farooqabad and was baptized by Pastor George Peter Babcock on July 20, 1974. Michael

completed his education and answered God's call to ministry.

Ministry and Persecution
Michael got married on

September 6, 1986. God blessed him and his wife, Nasreen, with three sons: Armaan, Salman, and Rizwan. After com-
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The Spirit Of Truth: The Elder Shall Serve the Younger



By Rev. Madeline Montez Duffany

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THE Lord was speaking to Rebekah in Gen. 25:23 regarding her twin sons, Esau and Jacob. She asked the Lord, "Why am I thus?" The two children struggled together in her womb, two energies, the one believing, the other unbelieving, even before they were born. It is like two natures: the sin nature and the divine nature. Rebekah was asking God as she was waiting to experience the joy of motherhood: Why am I so physically oppressed and in danger of death? Why was Isaac and her answer to prayer accompanied by such mysterious suffering? Gen. 25:22. The Lord said to her, "Two nations are in your womb, and shall be separated from your bowels." (The two nations were Edomites and Israelites. From

the time of their birth, Esau and Jacob would be separated, divided, even hostile, for they had nothing in common) "and the one shall be stronger than the other people (Jacob was younger and would be the stronger, but only through the Lord) and the elder shall serve the younger." What the Lord has shown me today is so enlightening. We have a natural reasoning to think that Esau was like a slave to his younger brother, Jacob, but here is what God is showing us in a spiritual sense. It's a great lesson and will help us every day. Every person is born with a sin nature, which makes that the 'elder'. The Divine nature comes into the believer at conversion, and is the 'younger'. However, if we follow God's pattern of

victorious living, which is Jesus Christ and Him crucified, the 'elder' shall serve the 'younger', meaning that the divine nature will be victorious over the sin nature. The twin born first was red all over (Gen. 25:25) like a hairy garment, and they called his name, Esau, which means the 'hairy one' and which speaks of sensuality. After that, his brother came out with his hand, taking hold of Esau's heel. Jacob taking hold of Esau's heel at birth portrays the believer trying to gain spiritual supremacy by means of the flesh and not the Spirit, which characterized Jacob for many years. His name was called Jacob, which means 'heel-catcher' or 'supplanter'; takes the place of.' And the Scripture tells the story of how Esau sold his birthright to Ja-

cob for a bowl of stew. Do you understand this? The elder is the old sin nature. The younger is the born-again new nature. We are free from sin! We never have to serve the 'elder' any longer. Why? Because, "Greater is He that is within you than he who is in the world." 1John 4:4. Before you knew Jesus Christ, you served the old, 'elder' sin nature. Now, the new, 'younger' you can conquer and put in its place the suggestion of sin, (i.e., let me steal something that is not mine – the suggestion. The new, younger, born-again nature conquers this suggestion by the Holy Spirit speaking in you, saying, "Thou shalt not steal". So, you have the victory! This is God's Truth Rev. Madeline Montez Duffany

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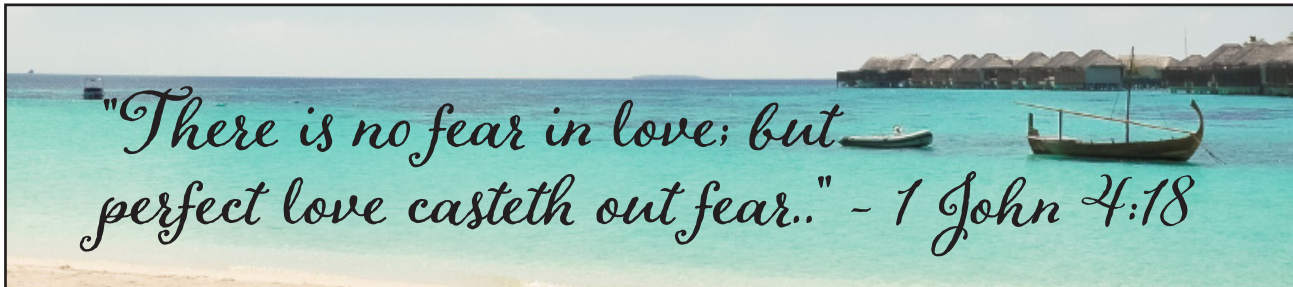
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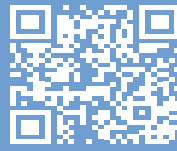
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A Powerful Word for today for you!

The Word says be alert and be vigilant, for the enemy roams around like a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour... be alert in the spirit..... be vigilant, discerning and full of the Spirit of God!

It seems that the same spirits that are attacking our nation at this time are also attacking families and individuals.

There's no middle ground anymore, friend!

The Word in Ephesians 6 instructs us to be strong in the Lord and to be empowered through our union with Him, drawing our strength from Him, the strength that His boundless might provides.

We are told to put on the whole armor of God, that we may be able successfully to stand against all the strategies and the deceits of the devil.

The Word tells us we are not wrestling with flesh and blood but powers and principles, and spiritual wickedness of darkness.

2 Corinthians 10:4 tells us that the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds.

You're either laying all at the altar and coming up higher for all that God has for you in these last days, or you're prey to the enemy of your soul.

And you're allowing yourself to be harassed by the enemy, or you're allowing yourself to be a tool of the enemy. Either way, we

are called to stand together in love, praying for and with one another, and praying for our nation and for any nations in need of prayer.

We are to stand against the working of our enemy together, and put him to flight together, and when we do this, we will see God's victory manifest! One puts a thousand to fight the Words, says, and two put ten thousand to flight, so imagine what a whole family, church, or a community or nation can do!

We're in the last days, there's no middle ground! It's time we go to the altar of our Lord together! We lay it all down and allow it all to burn up in the refiner's fire, and be cleansed with fuller's soap, and allow God to do mighty things with you for His glory in these last days.

We understand we are spirits, we have a soul, and we live in a body.

There is a spiritual world around us, and what we see with our natural eyes, the Word tells us, is temporary.

So, the spirit realm, by the Spirit of the living God who lives within the believer, is what we deal with first and foremost, as we hear from Him and we are directed by Him.

With clean hands and pure hearts, we submit our minds, wills, and emotions and our lives to the Holy Spirit, and surrender ourselves to the Lord in prayer. When

we do this, even as a family, or church, or even a community, we will see the mighty power of the Holy Spirit manifested in our midst.

Whenever the enemy is attacking, we are then empowered by the Holy Spirit within us to rise up and attack it with the Word of God.

Greater is He in us than he that is in the world.

Through the glory of God, we can see and bring unity into families, friendships, churches, and communities, and even our nation, without compromising the gospel, but bringing them higher in Jesus' name.

It is my prayer, but it be yours. "If you can use anyone, Lord, use me, but first prepare me as a manifested vessel fit for use for the kingdom of God."

No matter what you're going through today, know that the Lord has you in the palm of his hands.

So, living in an attitude of praise, worship, and Thanksgiving, with the full armor of God on, and declaring the Word of God over your lives, families, relationships, churches, communities, and nations today!

And not go by what you see, hear, or feel. Declare the Word of victory over your life and your family in the name of Jesus!

The Word and Worship in your heart and on your lips will see you through to being a victorious warrior in the war. The

marks on your heart are only the scars that show you are more than a conqueror through the greater One who lives inside you.

You hold the sword of victory, drenched in the Blood of the Lamb. The Fire of the Lord blazes inside of you, and it cannot be put out. The more the enemy tries to put it out, the hotter it gets.

You are strong and steadfast, and this is your season coming up, and well able to take the land not only for yourself, but for others as well.

As you have kept your eyes on your Commander-in-Chief, you have kept yourself clothed with Christ, and filled with the Holy Spirit of God, and spiritual maturity, you will see the promises of God manifest mightily in your midst.

Now you are prepared and ready to move forward to the mark of your higher calling in Christ Jesus.

You have overcome by the Blood of the Lamb and the Word of your testimony in Christ Jesus.

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Do Not Let Your Present Circumstances Define Your Future

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I was raised in a home where love was present, but stability was often elusive. My mother, a woman of great strength and devotion, taught me essential life skills and brought me to church, instilling values that would later anchor my life. Despite her care, her battle with dementia brought periods of chaos into our home. My father, though loving and a provider, was largely absent due to his work on the road and a struggle with alcoholism, which further disrupted our family life. My parents were not involved in my education, sports, or other formative experiences. Still, I never doubted that they loved me. When they divorced, I was around the age of 14, which sent my world spiraling into confusion. I turned to drugs and alcohol, wandering through life without direction for the next decade, often sleeping wherever I could find shelter. By the time I was 34, I had grown weary of the path I was on. One month before my spiritual transformation, I gave up chewing tobacco and told my friends I was finished with it. The following month, I accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Savior. Within a year, I felt a renewed calling from God—one that I had first sensed at age 14. From that moment on, everything began to change. Seven years later, I married a godly woman who



profoundly impacted my life. Together, we traveled in part-time evangelism before beginning our pastoral journey. We've now been pastoring for 20 years, and God has remained faithful throughout. In 2012, I felt called to pursue higher education in ministry. A year later, a prophetic friend—without knowing my plans—confirmed God's direction for me to attend college. I began at Liberty University, then transferred to Lee University, where I earned a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Arts. Even before completing my master's, I sensed God leading me further. I went on to complete a Doctor of Ministry at South University and later attended Anderson University, where I completed 33 credits in Leadership. I then transferred

to the North Carolina College of Theology and earned a Ph.D. in Theology. My journey—from a young man lost in addiction and brokenness to a Ph.D. graduate in Theology—has been one of faith, resilience, and obedience. I had no idea what God had in store during the 13 years I spent in college. Many have looked at my journey with disbelief, questioning the boldness of my faith. Yet, like Jesus in Gethsemane, we must also say, "Not my will, but Thine be done," even when the assignment is difficult. No matter where you come from or what you've faced, trust God wholeheartedly. Walk in faith, and never let your present circumstances determine your future. Blessings!

Hope Rises in the Democratic Republic of Congo: Evangelistic Campaigns to Launch in July

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ORLANDO, Fla., June 27, 2025 /Christian Newswire/ — The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and surrounding regions have recently faced critical unrest, but a powerful opportunity has emerged for hope to rise. Amid instability, doors remain miraculously open for the Gospel, and local churches and international teams are preparing to respond with boldness and compassion. Christ for all Nations is launching evangelistic campaigns in the DRC in July. Volunteers are ready, churches are mobilized, and preparations are underway to bring the life-changing message of Jesus to thousands—many of whom have never heard it before. Support from the global

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God Across America's Beach Reach Ministry in action!



I graduated from IOM (Institute of Ministry) at Christian Retreat in Bradenton, FL, in 2003, and right afterward, I heard the Lord tell me to take His word to Anna Maria Island. I was to sit at a table, open my Bible, and be available for anyone who needed prayer. It was just myself as my husband was working. At times, I would call him and say, "Meet me after work!" I would take dinner to the beach, and we had some nice dates together. God gave me the name 'BeachReach'. When I am in Georgia, it is called 'RiverReach', when we go down to the Savannah River. We now meet on the Anna Maria Causeway because of the traffic on Route 64. We have an appointed stretch of beach where God meets us every time. Here, we never hear negative remarks, and the people we meet are always friendly and accepting. We hand out Pastor Chuck Kennedy's Christian newspaper, "He's Alive". It is a great witness tool for me as I show them my photo and article inside, showing them that I am not a stranger to them.

My husband, Bob, and I also have our announcement in the paper about our ministry called "God Across America," where people can see both of us pictured together. After my husband graduated from IOM in 2007, I was listening to Gerald Derstine speaking at Christian Retreat. He said something about 'mounting up as eagles. Eagles Wings! My Mom's favorite verse. She was an artist, and on the wall in her living room was a beautiful eagle with outstretched wings soaring over a mountain stream. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint." Isaiah 40:31. The eagle in Native American culture is considered a sacred bird, representing vision, courage, and freedom. Its feathers are used by them, symbolizing a connection to the divine. So, my Father, Joseph Montez, being Native American, makes this near and dear to my heart. As Dr. Gerald Derstine was getting ready

to leave the podium, I sent him a note via one of our children and saw him place it into a breast pocket. He had been speaking about his Strawberry Lake Christian Retreat in Minnesota on the White Earth Indian Reservation. Gerald and I had the same calling to reach out to Native Americans. He need right now." was a Mennonite Bishop, which made me understand even more, as I was raised in a Mennonite Church that my Mom joined. My note said, "I want to be in my view. I said, Bob, I fly." I signed it, and we were invited to Strawberry Lake, Minnesota. We went there every summer for ten years. You can read all about it in our book, "My Indian Summer", foreword by Dr. Gerald and our Native American Pastor, Gabriel Ward. I am forever grateful to Dr. Gerald Derstine. I had looked at a lot of people around me who proclaimed themselves

as prophets or healers with master's degrees in theology, extended Bible studies and commentaries, most of whom had graduated from recognized Bible colleges. I said, "Gerald, I need more schooling." He looked at me and said, "Madeline, you have everything you need right now." On one of our trips, driving to Minnesota, I had a vision of a trailer truck as one passed us on the highway. The truck was big, white, and stood out in my view. I said, Bob, I want a truck like that so that we can paint "God Across America" on it and go all over the land. So "God Across America" was birthed right then. I have never doubted that God called me into His Kingdom when I was a grade schooler. Out of all my siblings, I was chosen and blessed to go with my Mom and the Mennonite Bishop and his wife to a

rescue mission where homeless men were gathered at long tables and were given food while the Bishop gave the salvation message. God did something inside of me as we pulled up to that mission. Embazoned on my heart always and forever is the red and white Cross and letters spelling out, "JESUS SAVES." After a time, my Mom took us to a tent meeting and Oral Roberts laid his hand on my head and said into the microphone, "Sweet Potato", and to my sister, he said, "Instigator!" My older sister is the same today and refuses to talk to me. She told me not to mention God to her. Yet I pray for her all the time. 2Peter 3:9: God doesn't want anyone to perish, but all to come to repentance. BeachReach and God Across America belong to God. I take no credit for them because without

Jesus in the picture and the Holy Spirit paving the way, we could do nothing. I have to wait for Him to speak. At times (most times), I stand on that strip of beach and feel empty. I have no boldness, no words to say. The devil whispers, "Don't bother people. They're here to have fun with cookouts and ski-doos." Boldness is not something you can manufacture. You can pretend in a mechanical way with false smiles and mannerisms, but people can see right through you. The lost want truth and sincerity. They are dying without Jesus. Jesus told us to go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Mark 16:15.

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Bless His Holy Name! Psalm 103

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Bless 103:1(TLV) - "Bless ADONAI, O my soul, and all that is within me, and bless His holy Name. "Abba Father, thank you for breath that I may bless ADONAI with all that is within me. I hold nothing back from giving you my all! Bless your holy name! Holy is ADONAI! Forever He shall reign! Blessing, ho-

nor, and praise belong to him alone. My soul shall bless and magnify his name day by day. My greatest delight is to bless you! Day by day, I wait in your presence, and we meet in sweet fellowship. I will talk of all your wondrous ways! Worthy of all blessing is ADONAI! Rise up, O my soul, for I shall yet praise my King!

Beloved, I lift you before ADONAI and pray your heart be tender to Him who loves you! Give Him your all, your best, to bless Him in all you do for His glory and honor. I pray you learn the art of surrender and yield all of you to bless his holy name. In Jesus name Bless, in Jesus name I live.

From Persecution to Refuge: A Pakistani Pastor's Journey of Faith and Survival

From Page 1 ... pleting a Bachelor of Liberal Arts in Theology, he served in various roles, including pastor, principal, and director, within the Adventist church.

However, when Muslim relatives discovered that Michael was now a Christian pastor, the harassment began. In 2004, the police arrested Michael in Quetta. At the station, Islamic scholars gave him a choice: return to Islam or face jail. He refused and was falsely charged with murder and attempted murder.

His wife and children were taken to an Islamic organization's compound and forced to live as Muslims under heavy surveillance. They were compelled to read the Qur'an and perform Islamic rituals in hopes that Michael would be released. On April 29, 2006, Michael was sentenced to life imprisonment.

A Family Torn Apart and Miraculously Reunited While Michael languished in prison, his sons struggled to maintain their faith and freedom. Armaan found work in Lahore and eventually in Dubai. Salman and Rizwan completed their education and held private jobs. Despite repeated threats and forced compliance with Islamic expectations, the family held onto hope.

On September 15, 2011, Michael's sentence was increased to death by hanging, under pressure from radical Islamic groups. He appealed to the Supreme Court. After years of legal battles, on December 9, 2016, the

court reversed the death sentence and ordered his release upon completion of his life term. On March 7, 2018, after nearly 14 years in prison, Michael was released.

Ongoing Threats and Narrow Escapes Even after release, threats continued. On August 20, 2018, Michael and his wife were hit by a car in a suspected targeted attack. Later that year, he was poisoned on a bus by men who forced him to eat drugged food at gunpoint. He survived after being treated in a local hospital.

More attacks followed. On February 19, 2019, a masked assailant on a motorcycle assaulted Michael and threatened him to stop preaching Christianity or face death. His injuries left him bedridden for nearly two months. Despite changing locations frequently, threats from extremist groups persisted. Final Attempts and Escape to Safety

In December 2023, the family faced another chilling warning. As Salman returned from work, two masked men threatened him at gunpoint outside their home: "Stop practicing Christianity or we will kill you all." Fearing for their lives, the family decided they could no longer stay in Pakistan. Under Islamic law, a Muslim who converts to another faith is labeled a Murtad (apostate), and can be legally killed by any devout Muslim. With limited resources, the family sold land in Sialkot and secured visas for most members to flee

the country. On May 30, 2024, Pastor Michael, his wife, and most of the family departed Pakistan for Nepal. They were nearly stopped at the immigration checkpoint due to their differing religious identities—Michael and his daughters-in-law being Christian, and the rest being documented as Muslims. Miraculously, they were allowed to leave. Recently, their youngest son, Rizwan, and his wife joined them in Nepal. The family now lives together as refugees, supported by God's grace and the kindness of local believers. They have obtained UNHCR refugee letters, but the situation in Nepal is difficult. Refugees are fined \$9 per adult each day for overstaying, and the country's laws offer little legal protection or opportunity for permanent resettlement. A Cry for Help and Hope Despite the hardships, the Nazir family remains grateful to God for sparing their lives and bringing them back together. They continue to pray for a door to open—one that leads to safety, religious freedom, and a future filled with the opportunity to live and worship without fear.

"Our salvation is from the Lord. He has brought us this far. We believe He will not leave us now," Pastor Michael shared. If you are led to support this faithful family or connect them with aid, please reach out to them at this email address rizwannazir68@gmail.com.

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MY STORY

By Chris Jansson | chris_jansson@hotmail.com

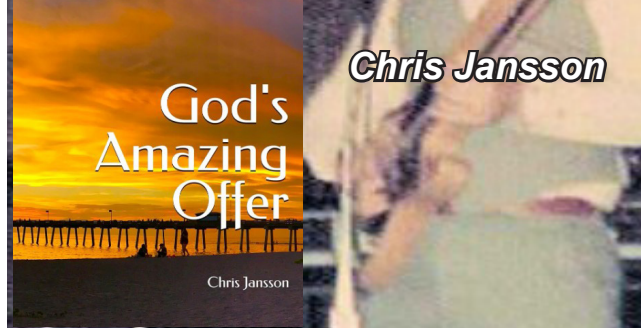
I was a 26-year-old musician living in LA when my life fell apart. So, I decided to check out church to see if I could find out what normal was. It took a while, but eventually I found myself driving down the street happy and singing at the top of my lungs. That's when I realized I was in love with Jesus. I gave my life to God, and that is a decision that has sustained me for the last 47 years. Truthfully, it hasn't been easy, but Jesus is my anchor in the storm. He guides me through life's maze, a light at my feet, showing me by the Holy Spirit where to step next. I can't imagine life without Him.

Even now, fighting cancer, a death Sentence, for the last nine years, but God has given me the peace that surpasses all understanding. (Phil 4:7) I haven't had one moment of fear or concern. Why? Because I know I'm a child of God and I know where I am going when I die.

I see this life as a small blip compared to eternity. That's why I say, "I will live and not die, and I will go on proclaiming the mighty works of God." (Ps 118:17) This hope is for you too.



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your new life with Him. I can't tell you how happy it will make me if this helps you to get your life right with God. Please reach out to me. I'd love to hear how this has impacted you. I'm praying for you. chris_jansson@hotmail.com Taken from the book God's Amazing Offer by Chris Jansson. Amazon: <https://a.co/d/bFrHdb>



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U.S. Supreme Court Delivers Landmark Victory for Parental Rights and Religious Freedom in Public Schools

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Advocates for Faith & Freedom Releases Free Opt-Out Tool for Parents

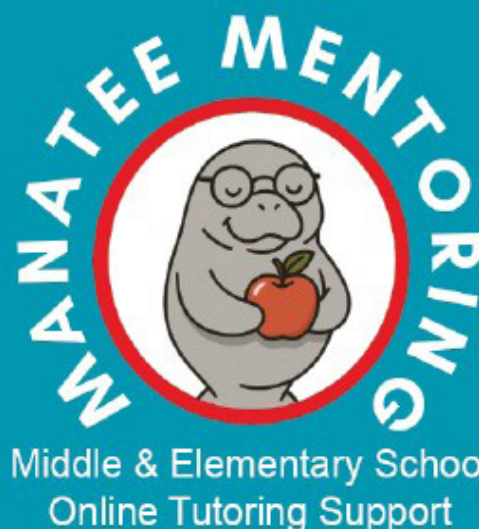
MURRIETA, Calif., June 27, 2025 /Christian Newswire/ — In a groundbreaking decision issued today in *Mahmoud v. Taylor*, the United States Supreme Court affirmed that parents have a constitutional right to receive advance notice and to opt their children out of exposure to LGBTQ+ themed books and curriculum. Advocates for Faith & Freedom applauds the Court's protection of religious liberty, the family, and children. In the 6-3 opinion, the Court emphasized that few religious acts are more sacred than a parent's responsibility to educate their children according to their faith: "The practice of educating one's children in one's religious beliefs, like all religious acts and practices, receives a generous measure of protection from the Constitution." (Slip op. at 20) In response to this pivotal ruling, Advocates for Faith & Freedom has created a free, easy-to-use legal opt-out form that parents can submit to their child's school. This resource allows parents to formally exercise their constitutional right to opt their child out of instruction, curriculum, or discussions related to gender identity, gender theory, sexual orientation, or any LGBTQ+-themed materials that conflict with their religious beliefs. "Today's decision is a victory for religious freedom and the rights of parents. A parent should be treated by a school as a respected partner, not as someone to ignore or alienate from his/her own child's education," said Robert Tyler, President & Chief Counsel of Advocates for Faith & Freedom states. "The Supreme Court's opinion sends a two-part message to schools across the country: 1) sincere religious beliefs cannot be ignored and 2) a parent has every right to know what is going on with his/her child at school." Advocates for Faith & Freedom Senior Counsel Julianne Fleischer adds, "Long ago, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the right of parents to direct the religious upbringing of their children. Today, the Supreme Court clarified that fundamental right would only be an empty promise if it did not follow those children into the public classroom." For too long, public schools have treated parental rights and the free exercise of religion as an "empty promise." This is why Advocates for Faith & Freedom fights vigilantly to protect the rights that the First Amendment was meant to ensure. Today does not mark the end of the issue. Public schools can be expected to try to limit the Supreme Court's holding and will find new ways to assert its power and to indoctrinate children. Our work to preserve the rights of parents, children, and families will continue. **Parental Opt-Out Form** About Advocates for Faith & Freedom (www.faith-freedom.com): Advocates for Faith & Freedom safeguards the constitutional liberties that define the United States as a beacon of freedom and prosperity, including religious election integrity, parental rights, and the rights of children, both born and unborn.

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By Dorothy Vicente | Founder of Manatee Mentoring

Hello, my name is Dorothy Vicente. For 27 years, I served as a Special Education teacher in the California public school system, working with students in grades 6 through 8. After retiring, I felt God leading me to relocate to another sunshine-filled state—Florida. My journey of faith began 42 years ago, after I graduated from the University of Alabama at Birmingham and moved to California. There, the Lord directed my steps to a Bible-believing Christian church where I came to know Jesus Christ as my personal Lord and Savior. It was also where I met my husband. Together, we built a family, and I went on to earn a master's degree in Mild/Moderate Special Education. Throughout my career, I witnessed firsthand the impact of prayer, guidance, encouragement, and focused instruction. When students receive personal attention, whether through re-teaching, skill-building, or simply boosting their confidence, they begin to experience success. I genuinely believe that with patience, prayer, and a positive mindset, every child can make meaningful educational progress and grow as an independent learner. If your child or grandchild is struggling to grasp grade-level concepts, I would be honored to come alongside you and help bridge the learning gaps. Through personalized Zoom sessions, Manatee Mentoring is here to support families with tools, strategies, and faith-filled encouragement to strengthen your child's academic foundation. For rates and scheduling details, please email me. Let's work together to put the love of learning back into your child's life.

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*Do you know that fear is the evidence of idolatry? When we allow fear to turn us back from obedience, we allow it to rob us of God's redemption (Rev. 21:8). Ask Him to examine your heart and reveal every fear and give true repentance for believing the lies of the enemy that say you are in control and are responsible for the security which can only come from God! Anything that draws your heart away from obedience to the Lord is an enemy of His redemption in your life. And it will ultimately become an idol that will eventually bring judgment and destruction. What has your heart?
 — Ken Carpenter*

Love Works Again: A Miracle Still Unfolding in Bradenton

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Originally published in *He's Alive News* in March 2021, the story of *Love Works Again* has continued to inspire—and four years later, it's clear that God is still writing the next chapter. What began as a step of faith has grown into a thriving Christian bookstore and ministry center in the heart of Bradenton, Florida. Today, *Love Works Again* is ministering powerfully to the community, serving as a beacon of God's love and provision. Located at 6387 Manatee Avenue West in the Fountain Court Shopping Center, *Love Works Again* offers a variety of items, including church supplies, new and used books, Bibles, Christian gifts, and a warm atmosphere of heartfelt fellowship. It is more than a bookstore—it's a place where the Spirit of the Lord is tangibly present. Walk through the doors

and you'll immediately sense the anointing. Many testify, "You just know you're standing in the presence of God!" Brother Ed McGraw, affectionately known as "The Bible Man," continues to steward this vision with humility and passion. A Vietnam veteran and longtime man of faith, Ed originally launched the store after a divine appointment at the old DeSoto Square Mall. There, he reconnected with his former Battalion Commander—now a developer—who invited him to open a Christian bookstore inside the newly renovated Macy's building, later called *The Treasure House*. At the time, Ed had no inventory and no furnishings—but he had faith. True to Romans 4:17, he began calling things that were not as though they were. Within days, God began providing: a woman called with books to donate, then a Sarasota church gifted an entire library of over 50 boxes of books, shelving, and even manpower and a truck to move it all. From those miraculous beginnings, *Love Works Again* was born. Now, in its fourth year, the ministry is flourishing. It operates as a nonprofit with a heart for service, regularly receiving book donations and supplying the community with both fresh resources and seasoned treasures. In a unique and powerful development, a church, Glory Cloud Ministries, now meets inside the bookstore every Sunday morning—proving once again that God's presence isn't confined to traditional walls.

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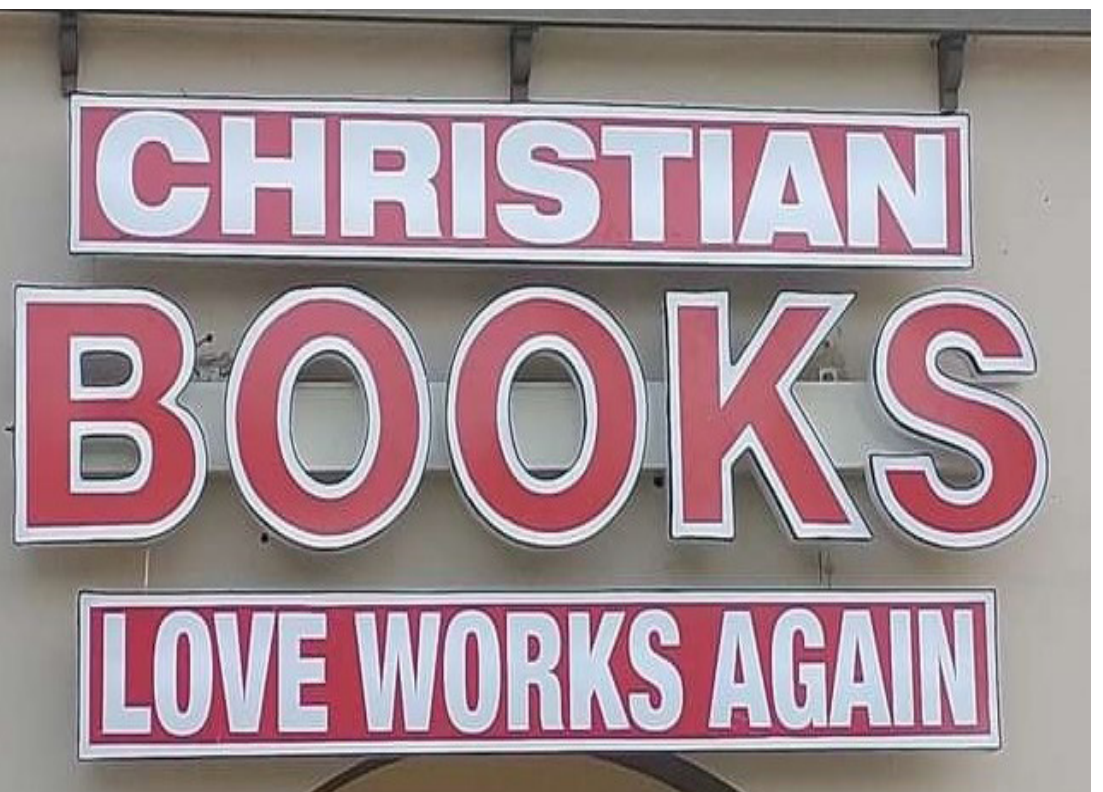


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In Muslim's Dream, Jesus Walked on Water Toward Him

By Mark Ellis, God Reports | www.godreports.com

In a small village in the Horn of Africa, Mohamed grew up like most children in his community—born into a Muslim family and in Islamic traditions. Daily prayers at the mosque and the teachings of Islam were all he knew.

That began to change when several of his friends embraced faith in Isa (Jesus). Knowing Mohamed's good character, they felt comfortable sharing their newfound beliefs with him and even invited him to follow Isa as well. Mohamed politely declined but remained close to his friends, occasionally joining their Bible study. Over time, the Bible stories and truths he heard during these gatherings began to leave a deep impression on him. Sometimes, he even shared what he was learning with his family. This continued for several months, with Mohamed quietly observing and pondering.

Then one night, everything changed. Mohamed dreamed he was standing on a riverbank when he saw a man walking on water towards him. Amazed and curious, Mohamed asked the man who he was. The man replied,



"I am Isa Almasih (Jesus Christ)." Mohamed woke up from the dream, shaken, yet filled with a new sense of purpose.

The next morning, he sought out his friends and excitedly told them about his dream. This encounter with Isa Almasih was the turning point. Mohamed officially joined the Bible study and soon placed his faith in Jesus. Despite being unable to read or write, Mohamed's passion for the Lord grew, and he eventually started his own Bible study group, relying on audio Bibles.

In the years that followed, Mohamed's group multiplied into six other Bible studies, each one birthing more gatherings.

Today, over 40 Muslim background believers meet secretly in his village, all thanks to Mohamed's witness and the power of the Gospel.

Now, Mohamed and the Bible studies face a new challenge: a tribal conflict has erupted against a neighboring tribe, leading to tragic loss of life. They are fervently praying for peace and reconciliation. Please join them in prayer for an end to the conflict and for God's peace to reign.

Mark Ellis

Mark Ellis is the founder of God Reports, a website devoted to promoting Christian missions by sharing stories and testimonies from missionaries and mission organizations.

Judge Finds Man Who Brutally Assaulted Pro-Life Advocates Not Guilty of Felony

By Julia Farr | www.lifenews.com | Baltimore, Maryland

The Maryland Circuit Court for Baltimore City held a second criminal trial for Patrick Brice, who was accused of physically assaulting pro-life sidewalk advocates Dick Schaefer and Mark Crosby on May 26th, 2023, outside a Planned Parenthood facility on North Howard Street in Baltimore.

Brice (pictured right) whose attorney did not dispute his guilt, encountered the two elderly men peacefully standing and praying outside the abortion facility. Unprovoked, Brice violently attacked both men, leaving Schaefer unconscious and Crosby with multiple fractured facial bones and temporary blindness. On February 6th, the jury found Patrick Brice guilty on two counts of misdemeanor second-degree assault and endangerment. The prosecution wanted a solo charge of felony first-degree assault against Crosby; however, the jury could not reach a unanimous decision, thereby delaying Brice's retrial to June 23rd.

In the second trial, the court found Brice not guilty of first-degree assault against Crosby.



Judge Yvette Bryant maintained the double count of misdemeanor against Brice. He will await his sentencing in August. A second-degree assault charge carries up to 10 years of incarceration, but there is no guarantee that Brice will receive anywhere close to the maximum sentencing. Brice has again been released on his own recognizance. This questionable decision on the part of Judge Bryant to keep the charge against Brice as a mere misdemeanor highlights the need for oversight of the judiciary in Maryland,

as well as other pro-abortion states. Laura Bogley, Executive Director of Maryland Right to Life stated, "The State of Maryland continues to blatantly discriminate against pro-life speech. This Court has a duty to apply justice blindly and Judge Bryant has failed in her duty to the citizens and the Constitution."

Blame also may be assigned to the Baltimore City prosecutor's office, which refused to charge Brice with a hate crime. **Continued on Page:11**



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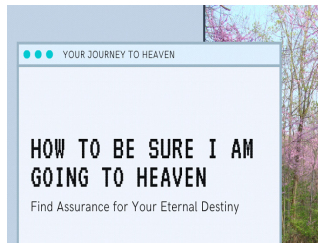
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Presidential Message on Pentecost, 2025

By The White House | www.christiannewswire.com



WASHINGTON, June 8, 2025 /Christian News-wire/ — The White House releases the following: Today, I join in prayer with Christians joyfully celebrating the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost—one of the most sacred events of the Christian faith. We commemorate the fulfillment of Jesus Christ's earthly mission and the birth of His holy and living Church. On Pentecost, 50 days after Jesus Christ's resurrection from the dead on Easter Sunday, the Holy Spirit descended upon His Apostles in the form of a mighty wind—empowering them to speak in tongues and proclaim the good news of the Gospel to lands and peoples near and far. "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy

Spirit," the Apostle Peter boldly declared. Equipped with the courage, clarity, and grace of Almighty God, in the years that followed, the Apostles went on to withstand tremendous danger to bring hearts, minds, and souls to the Christian faith—marking the beginning of the Church, against which even the evils of hell shall not prevail. More than 2,000 years later, the Holy Spirit continues to descend upon all those who proclaim Christ's name—enabling them to spread The Gospel. As we celebrate this glorious feast day, we also honor all Christians who, like the Apostles, have willingly endured persecution because of their faith. My Administration will always defend the right of every American to worship God freely

and without fear. For this reason, I created the White House Faith Office and proudly instituted the White House Religious Liberty Commission to safeguard and promote America's founding principle of religious freedom. Under my leadership, we are protecting God in the public square and emboldening every believer to live their faith freely, openly, and without threat of persecution. As we celebrate the miracle of Pentecost and birth of Christ's Church, we pray that the Holy Spirit fills our Nation and her people with abundant grace—bringing us peace, protection, and God's presence. May God bless you, and may He continue to bless the United States of America. Have a blessed Pentecost!

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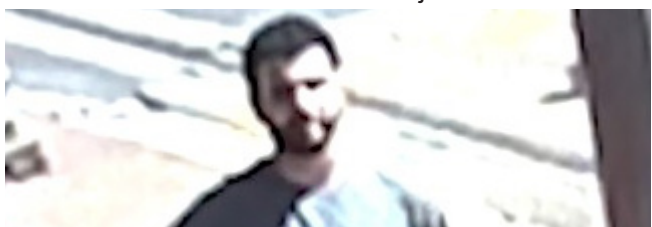
Judge Finds Man Who Brutally Assaulted Pro-Life Advocates Not Guilty of Felony

From Page: 10 ... Bogley continued, "This was a violent hate crime and an attack on Catholics and religious freedom everywhere. It was a clear violation of the FACE Act, which is to protect pro-life advocates as well as abortion workers. Brice should have been charged with a federal crime. The victims will not see justice unless this case is removed from the biased bench in the Maryland courts." Maryland Right to Life recently led an advocacy campaign to ask Maryland Attorney General Anthony Brown and United States Attorney General Pam Bondi to provide oversight of the Circuit Court's actions. The organization previously called upon Governor Wes Moore and Baltimore City Mayor Brandon Scott to condemn this violence when

the assaults were first perpetrated in 2023. Their prolonged silence in the face of this injustice may be perceived as condoning hate crimes against Catholics and chilling free speech and the free exercise of religion in Maryland. While this is a disappointing decision, Crosby says that the judge's ruling will not affect his actions going forward. He says, "It's just a wonderful feeling when we're in front of Planned Parenthood and a mother with a baby comes up to us and says, 'Thank you for ministering to me and that I didn't have to murder my baby.'" Instead of quitting their prayer and conversations out of fear, Schaefer and Crosby encourage more people to come join them in front

of Planned Parenthood. With the correct response, even a seeming failure can have a positive impact. Each time the government tries to silence the voices of pro-lifers by promoting abortion and violence, it is an opportunity to return even stronger than before. The pro-life movement has demonstrated strength and persistence in the face of adversity, and this time is no different. Additionally, Crosby stresses that active involvement is necessary to grow the movement. "If Jesus asked what we were doing to save the babies, real action is necessary," says Crosby. Real action also is necessary to protect free speech and religious freedom and to prevent violence against people like Schaefer and Crosby. Violence is never an acceptable solution to unplanned pregnancies or to differences in deeply held religious beliefs.

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Evangelistic Fire at St. Armands Circle: Heaven Touched Earth in Sarasota!

By He's Alive News Staff | www.hesalivenews.org



On Saturday, June 21st, from 5 PM to 7 PM, the southeast corner of St. Armands Circle in Sarasota was transformed into a Holy Spirit-charged outpost for the Kingdom of God. Faith International Christian Center partnered with Sarah and Chris Jansson of Heart of Mercy Ministries to bring the Gospel to the streets through music, preaching, giveaways, and the undeniable power of the Holy Spirit. The sidewalk pulsed with life and anointing as gospel songs rang out, bold preaching stirred hearts, and people of all ages were drawn to the love of Jesus. The crowd couldn't miss the message "Eternity is Too Long to Be Wrong" on the front of our giveaway T-shirts, and "Know Before You Go!" on the back. It was more than a slogan; it was a cry from the heart of God for souls. Sarah Jansson served as the primary preacher of the afternoon, delivering the Word of God with conviction, compassion, and the fire of the Holy Ghost. Her bold message of repentance and

salvation pierced the atmosphere and touched many within earshot—even those who hadn't planned on hearing a sermon that day. Worship lifted the tone of heaven into the air as Chris Jansson, Ron Russo, Madeline, and Bob Duffany and Andrew Vance led in song, and Judy Miles boldly declared the Gospel to all who would listen. Some came by curiously, some just happened to be walking by, but all encountered something real—the presence of God. We distributed tracts, witness coins, ballpoint pens, and free T-shirts, each a tool of evangelism designed to open hearts and spark meaningful conversations. Bille English conducted "spiritual temperature" surveys to gently start deeper talks about faith, eternity, and the truth of God's Word. Many received prayer, and all received love. Two surprise "angelic" visitors—Paula Struble and Wende Thompson—joined us, standing boldly with their giant cross cross sign proclaiming: "Wake up America, Jesus is coming soon!" Their presence

added a striking visual message and reminded everyone that the hour is urgent, and eternity is real. Just as dark storm clouds began to roll in near the end of the outreach, we pressed on, unwilling to stop until lightning struck nearby. That was the cue—Pastor Chuck said, "Time to go," and the team quickly packed up every table, tract, amplifier, and guitar. In God's perfect timing, the moment the last vehicle door closed, the heavens opened—and the rain came down! Not one item was damaged, and not a single person got wet. What a miracle! God's hand covered us to the last second. This was not just an event. It was a divine appointment. A Holy Spirit visitation. The love of God flowed freely. The Word of God was declared. And the name of Jesus was lifted high over Sarasota. You're Invited to Join the Next One! If you're stirred by what God did, come with us next time! There's nothing like taking the Gospel

to the streets and watching the Holy Spirit move. You don't need to be a preacher—just come with a willing heart, and God will use you. Contact Faith International Christian Center today and get involved in the next outreach. Let's keep going—until all have heard! Contact: Sarah Jansson G.C.M.A. S.W. FL Regional Coordinator for: Southwest Florida Chapter of GCMA and Vice President of Heart of Mercy Ministries, an Apostolic/ Prophetic Ministry (Equipping the Saints for the work of the ministries) - on the full counsel of God's Word-sarah_jansson@hotmail.com Or Faith International Christian Center Ficcpastor@cfaith.com

