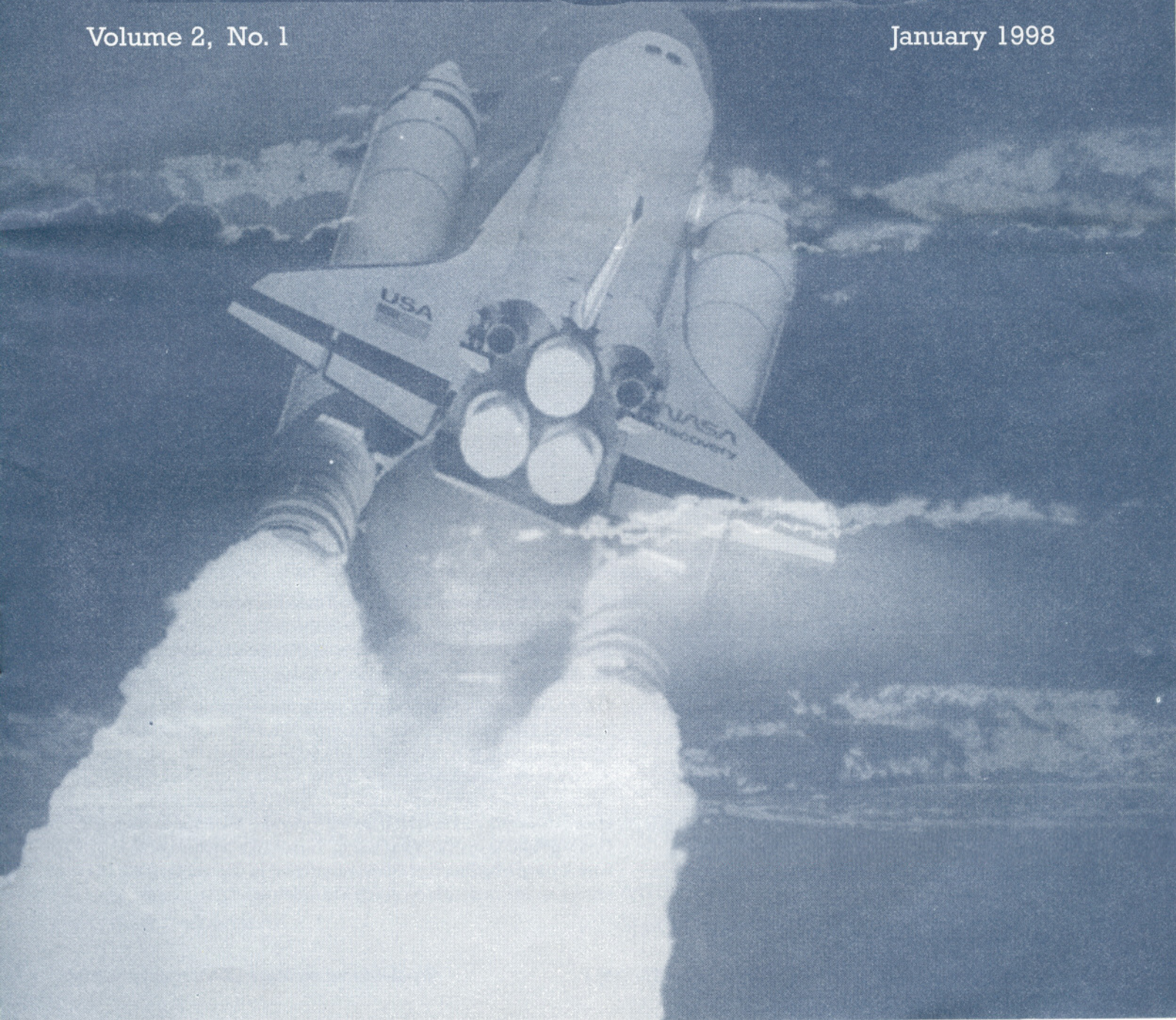


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Mission Statement

The ministry of *Future for America* is proclaiming the final warning message of Revelation 14 as identified within the prophecies of the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy. The end-time fulfillment of Bible prophecy is no longer future—for it is taking place before our eyes. The historic prophetic understanding of Seventh-day Adventism is now *present truth*. We are the final generation. Our emphasis on the **prophetic word** includes all the counsel of God's Word. To know what lies ahead is useless if we do not possess the experience to stand during these solemn times. The promises of God's Word provide that experience.

Coupled with the prophetic message *Future for America* emphasizes all aspects of the **medical missionary work**. The "entering wedge"—medical missionary work—must be practiced by those who are to finish God's work in these final hours.

In this time period, **country living** becomes more essential with each passing moment. *Future for America* upholds and promotes this end-time truth. God's people must prepare for the coming storm, and that preparation includes the experience of learning how to survive in a simple fashion, away from the great centers of population.

Future for America intends to print and distribute **truth-filled literature**, while helping to establish lay-printing operations in parts of the Lord's vineyard where faithful brethren do not have the means to raise up a **printing operation** with their own resources.

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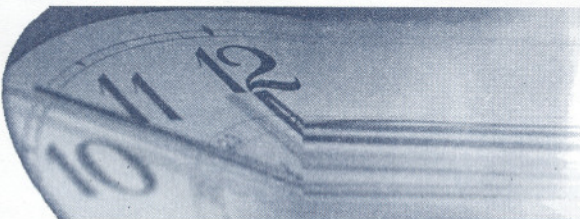
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Future for America has come into existence so that meat in due season may reach the flock at this time. . . . It is present truth that the flock needs now. We look to add our *flavor* to the many present ministries available today.

Future For America is a self-supporting 501-C3 nonprofit corporation, and is funded by readers like you. We exist to assist those who are striving to be among the 144,000—through the prophetic Word and the Health Message—by the power of the Holy Spirit. We hope to help lay people teach our Health Message using the effective learning tools which we will provide. We hope to inspire God's people to do this by arousing them to the lateness of the hour through the Prophetic messages found in this publication, in seminars, and available on audio and video tapes.

Greetings

Greetings from *Future for America*. Our prayer is that the Lord is an abiding influence in your daily life at this time, for the evidence is clear that the final end-time events have now begun.

Norberto (Tico) Restrepo, Jr., his wife Yvonne, his daughter Alijandra, and Viviana and Sandra, two of the girls which live with them at their ministry in Colombia, arrived in California the 11th of November. After holding meetings the next Sabbath in Fontana, California we all returned here on the 18th to begin our work in the video department. The video taping is progressing well. We will have several important presentations recorded, both in English and Spanish, before they begin their journey home. Their trip home first takes them to the east coast where Tico will speak to the Spanish brethren in New Jersey and then to the Hartland area where he will speak the following Sabbath at Amicus Church. They then travel to Florida for some meetings and then depart for Colombia on the 22nd of January.

Tico and I have become very close friends as we have traveled together through South America and I have come to greatly appreciate his Christian experience. We are including a presentation, which he made at the Eatonville Fellowship. We believe this message will be a blessing, but also, we wanted you to become familiar with Tico as his ministry and that of *Future for America* have been providentially brought together for service in this final hour.

We are helping his ministry translate truth-filled English literature into Spanish, as well as helping his ministry raise up a printing operation in Colombia. Together we have at least 3 trips to 6 different countries in South and Central America planned for this year. While Tico's ministry is located in Colombia, Pastor Restrepo—Tico's father—has a ministry located in Venezuela. While Tico is here, he and his wife are writing *Future for America's* first Spanish newsletter. We intend to have a fairly regular newsletter which goes out to the Spanish brethren in the United States keeping them abreast of end-time information, plus informing them of Spanish meetings which the Restrepos will present when they are in the United States. We intend to send out a Spanish sermon with this newsletter each month.

Beginning in 1998 the Restrepos will begin printing a Spanish magazine addressing prophecy, health, country living, and true education. *Future for America* will be the distributor for this magazine in the United States, Central America, and the Caribbean. It is more cost effective to mail to Central America and the Caribbean from the United States. The Restrepos will handle the distribution to the rest of the Latin world. They are also beginning an outreach magazine in Spanish. Please pray for these ventures, as there will be a great deal of work involved.

When we finish recording the video messages, our work will have just begun. We will then need to insert the opening and closing credits, the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy quotes, and any other graphic material in the videos. This will require a great deal of time before the videos, and the audios produced from the videos are ready to offer. We are praying that you



Tico in the video studio

will be able to take advantage of this important information as it becomes available.

As we develop a list of materials to share with our supporters we will be developing a catalog of some sort, and you can expect that in the near future.

I spoke with Ron Goss, and the Evangelistic series in the Philippines is still being planned for the first 3 weeks in April. We earnestly solicit your prayers as the Lord supplies the funding for this project.

We have had some feed back on potential land on which to locate the ministry, but nothing is decided as yet and we still need your prayers in that regard. The brothers and sisters who have committed to contribute to an ongoing newsletter which tracks end-time events are getting geared up to begin this task with us and we expect to have a regular 8 or 16 page end-time info-letter within our next 2 newsletters. There is more work involved with this task than some may recognize, but we are under conviction that the Lord will bless our efforts. End time events are occurring almost daily and these events need to be identified within the framework of Bible prophecy. Please pray for this undertaking.

We truly appreciate the support from those of you who have kept this ministry in your prayers and helped financially. If you know of others who might appreciate the newsletter and monthly audio-tape, please let us know.

In His Service,

Jeff Pippenger,

Speaker, *Future for America*.

WHO DO WE WORSHIP?

by Kay Haubich

There is one further correlation between ancient Babylon and the current state of Christianity today that occurred to me as I listened to "Purification of God's Church," tape 3, and as I am doing a verse by verse study of Daniel. It is an obvious parallel, but because this correlation was brought to mind during recent correspondence and combined with my study, I thought it worth mentioning.

The main purpose behind Nebuchadnezzar's dream and the Hebrew God's interpretation of it was, of course, to reveal our Lord's existence and omnipotence to the Babylonians, and—as was mentioned—the story of the three Hebrews' experience went with all the visitors back to their homelands. The same analogy may be applied to what was accomplished during Christ's ministry and after Pentecost, and to Egypt and its surrounding nations during Moses' time.

The Christian world today does not know whom it worships, though they assume they are worshipping the true God of heaven, just as Nebuchadnezzar believed he was worshipping and serving a supreme god. I recently read something from Norway in which the author stated that the Lord had allowed the charismatic (and ecumenical) movement to blossom in order that people might distinguish between the true and false when the Holy Spirit is poured out on His sanctified people. There is such a *marked* difference!

I recall watching a snippet of a Benny Hinn meeting, and how I wept in horror because of the terrible delusion these people were under. It reminded me of what one might have seen during the golden calf apostasy, and it was so awful to behold human beings swaying and crying and singing en masse—not to mention falling down, rolling around and laughing hysterically, as these people were. It is somewhat like the Promise Keepers' meetings, which are less charismatic and perhaps more refined. Satan *cannot* impart true godliness to humans, so he uses what he has learned appeals to us over centuries of study of the race: great fervor and emotional appeal over something which may in itself be good, so people genuinely believe they have "the spirit of God" with them.

During the recent correspondence I mentioned, the woman, a well-known non-Adventist physician and author, wrote that she was truly born again, filled with the Spirit,

and on her way to the kingdom. She is convinced of her experience and quoted her "favorite theologian" as saying: "A man with an experience with God is never at the mercy of a man with a theory or doctrine," a statement I would think is true only if the man has the correct gospel. It is a sign of this age, and perhaps of all ages, that people go by their experience, by which they in fact mean their feelings. This physician said she believed, that since the New Covenant every day was the Sabbath—not understanding that the Old Covenant was not the law, but the agreement between God and His people. One can point to verse after verse of Scripture and people simply do not see it. Of course, no one can understand anything without the Spirit of God directing them. Yet if they truly knew the Lord and loved His word, would they not at least stop and consider? Martin Luther understood which day was the true Sabbath, but saw no significance in which day he kept. Today, however, because we have increased light, we should be way beyond Martin Luther's knowledge, and even his experience.

The point I am making is that sanctification and freedom from sin is living the same life that Christ lived while here on earth, and that is something few people today know anything about; perhaps most especially is this true among those people with whom this truth has been deposited. After one witnesses—and perhaps experiences—the great pull of the modern ecumenical-charismatic movement and then sees and hears those who are genuinely like Christ in His purity, humility, true gentleness and godliness, it will be such a contrasting revelation to people's senses. It will be an awakening that seems to me would be as startling in its witness to human hearts as the flood waters which surprised the inhabitants of the earth during Noah's day. Perhaps many will despise such a witness, as many despised Christ; but to others it will be as refreshing as the dew and will draw people to Jesus as to Him who arises with healing in His wings. The human heart, when appealed to by the Holy Spirit, cannot resist such a witness of godlikeness. That is why it will be "primitive." We can almost taste its sweetness, and yet we do not have the experience ourselves. We are still struggling and not ready for probation to close. Perhaps that accounts for why so many seemingly "cannot" see when Scriptural proof texts are pointed out to them. What is lacking is the

true Witness within the majority of us. "Little children, let no man deceive you; he that doeth righteousness *is* righteous, even as *he* is righteous." That is the righteousness by faith our Saviour is waiting to manifest in us, while the world is satisfied to merely be forgiven. I cannot be satisfied with a husk when I have been informed there is a whole kernel. While the husk is lovely and essential, it is the whole kernel which fills one and brings the love, joy, peace and *Christlike* power (which must be as His going forth, quiet and filled with as much promise as the morning) for which our hearts long.

If Protestant America ultimately forms the "image to the beast," and we are warned about worshipping the beast *or* its image, it would, of course, involve our not becoming involved with this pseudo godliness, this counterfeit the devil is foisting upon us, this fervent spirit of devotion to these emotionally packed mass meetings (including Billy Graham and Promise Keepers, both seemingly innocent and godly organizations which draw their thousands), at which reign the spirit of the antichrist.

The only things that swelled my youthful heart in this country were meetings at which we sang "God Bless America." My tears of devotion would flow, my heart would swell with an unidentifiable longing, and I was as unseeing as any blind man. I witnessed the same look of devotion in photographs I have seen of the German youth before Nazism fell. It is an expression that bespeaks purity, devotion, and unutterable love—and it is directed at a totally false object. Whose spirit filled the hearts of those devoted youth in Germany? Isn't that America today—with its religions, its devotion to sports and the arts, and its love for that which appeals to the masses? Alas, it is becoming Catholic indeed. And when the ruler of all this false emotion appears in person, will he not be admired and worshiped? Perhaps, as it was on the plain of Dura, few indeed will resist him. The carnal heart is a terrible thing!

I did not mean to write all this, and if you have read it all thus far, let me close now and wish you the Lord's blessing on your new ministry. I am not sure I agree with all I have heard in these three presentations, nor do I see the significance of everything you are teaching, but I understand enough to appreciate the basic premise of your lessons. The message of the close of probation is indeed a message which arouses.

THE FOLLOWING ARE *FUTURE FOR* *AMERICA* PROJECTS:

COLOMBIA:

We are working with Steve Dickie of Strawberry Meadows, to set up a printing press operation in Colombia. The equipment has already been purchased, which was about \$25,000.00. The money to ship the equipment down to Colombia has been secured. We are now attempting to raise the money to build a print shop. We estimate \$15,000.00 to complete the building. The project is moving forward. Mark your gift—"Printing press."

HONDURAS:

We are paying off a radio station in Honduras, which is broadcasting the three angels' messages to that area. The balance is \$5,000.00, with a 37% interest rate on the loan. Mark your gift—"Radio Station."

We are supplying 30 Bible workers and lay pastors in Honduras as well, while providing two Bible workers and lay pastors with stipends of \$150.00 and \$200.00 a month, respectively. We supply 7 other Bible workers and lay pastors in Nicaragua, 1 in El Salvador, and 2 in Peru. Mark your gift—"Bible workers."

PHILIPPINES:

I have been invited to do a three-week, evangelistic series in the Philippines in April of 1998. Funds are being raised for this project.

RECENTLY A FRIEND OF FUTURE FOR AMERICA HAS BEGUN A PUBLISHING WORK IN WILDERSVILLE, TN. JOHN DAVIS HAS EXPERIENCE IN PROVIDING TRUTH-FILLED LITERATURE, AND IT IS OUR PRAYER THAT THE LORD WILL BLESS HIS EFFORTS. IF YOU ARE SEARCHING FOR HISTORICAL, DOCTRINAL, OR UPLIFTING BOOKS FOR THE FAMILY, GIVE ORION PUBLISHING A CALL AT: 1 (800) 471-4284. ORION ALSO HAS A GOOD SELECTION OF SACRED AND CLASSICAL MUSIC.

OTHER NEEDS:

We are launching a Spanish newsletter this year and need another computer, as well as start-up funds for the initial mailings and audio tape production. We are under conviction that the Lord will impress the Spanish-speaking brethren to support this ongoing work, but we are seeking help with the initial couple of mailings as we introduce this ministry, newsletter, and audio information to the Latin brethren. If so impressed, mark your gift—"Spanish newsletter."

The Restrepos are beginning to publish a magazine for the Latin world—*Alpha and Omega*—which Future for America will distribute in the United States, Central America, and the Caribbean. We will print the magazines here which we will distribute, so the Lord will need to supply our initial printing costs as we begin to promote this monthly Spanish publication.

We are still searching for a piece of property in which to locate the *Future for America* ministry in a country setting.

We need funds for the rental fee on the studio we are using and for the follow-up production after the shooting. We are in the process of recording several prophecy presentations in English, and then Tico translates these into Spanish. Tico Restrepo and Jeff are preparing to produce an evangelistic series on prophecy for television. The brethren in Dominican Republic will run this series in their country and Puerto Rico where they have a half hour television program which runs every Sabbath morning on the prime television network in Dominican Republic.

TIMELINES

In the stream of time,
near the end of the line.

EARTH'S EBBING EXISTENCE— WEATHER WEAPONS?

On December 18, 1971 Congress passed Public Law 92-205, known as the "Weather Modification Reporting Act of 1972," and set out reporting requirements for those agencies engaged in weather modification. On October 13, 1976 Congress passed Public Law 94-490, which is known as the "National Weather Modification Policy Act of 1976," which proposes to determine the means by which "deliberate weather modification can be used at the present time to decrease the adverse impact of weather on agriculture, economic growth, and the general public welfare, and to determine the potential for weather modification." On December 10, 1976 the United Nations General Assembly approved the "Convention on the Prohibition of Military or any other Hostile Use of Environmental Modification Techniques."

The UN was "guided by the interest of consolidating peace, and wishing to contribute to the cause of halting the arms race, and of bringing about general and complete disarmament under strict and effective international control, and of saving mankind from the danger of using new means of warfare."

On October 26, 1977 a Congressional Subcommittee on the Environment and the Atmosphere also recorded a hearing on weather modification.

In 1994 the UN's World Health Organization (WHO) issued a report listing 14 major disasters worldwide, between the years 1983-1994, where billion-dollar losses were suffered in ever-increasing amounts:

- 1983 Hurricane "Alicia" in the U.S.—\$1.65 billion.
- 1989 Hurricane "Hugo" in the Caribbean—\$9 billion.
- 1990 Winter Storm "Wiebke" in Europe—\$2.25 billion.
- 1991 Typhoon "Mireille" in Japan—\$6 billion.
- 1991 Hurricane "Andrew" in the U.S.—\$30 billion.
- 1992 Hurricane "Iniki" in Hawaii—\$3 billion.
- 1993 Blizzard in the U.S.—\$5 billion.
- 1993 Floods in the U.S.—\$12 billion.
- 1994 Earthquake in the U.S.—\$30 billion.

Spotlight, August 14, 1997.

For more information on "weather weapons" and experimentation on its effects on humans (headaches, strokes, birth defects,

etc.) read *Angels Don't Play This H.A.A.R.P.* by Nick Begich.

CHURCHES' CHANGING IMAGE— ECUMENISM

Reformed Churches Approve Full Communion With Lutherans

Church Memberships:

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America—5,200,000

Presbyterian Church (USA)—3,700,000

Reformed Church in America—300,000

United Church of Christ—1,500,000

—*Christian News*, August 28, 1997.

"Uniting upon such points of doctrine as are held by them in common. . . Protestant America will have formed an image of the Roman hierarchy, and the infliction of civil penalties upon dissenters will inevitably result."—*The Great Controversy*, 445.

A FUNDAMENTAL FLAW OF PROMISE KEEPERS

Maintaining unity in a group permeated with doctrinal diversity can only be accomplished by the members of such a group doing one of two things:

1) Doctrinal diversity must be ignored, forcing the group to function only in the realm of shallow emotional religion, void of substance, or

2) The members of the group must become relativists, accepting all of the diverse doctrines as equally legitimate and true, regardless of their contradictory nature.

"Both of the above elements are present in Promise Keepers. Therapists such as Dobson and Smalley guarantee a focus on the subjective and emotional, rather than the objective and theological. The presence of Charismatics, such as Jack Hayford, guarantees that a strain of relativism exists in Promise Keepers, else Hayford's gnostic views could not be tolerated. Tolerance of Roman Catholicism as legitimate Christianity by Promise Keepers

opens a dangerous gate to the sewer of apostasy that will keep its waters polluted. Again, the writer does not question the sincerity of many individuals. Romanism, however, is convicted as apos-

tasy by the content of its own doctrine and its own historical church councils and documents." *The Christian News*, September 15, 1997.

PROMISE KEEPERS COURT CATHOLICS

"Promise Keepers vice-president for advancement, Paul Edwards, explained that their revised statement of faith (omitting that salvation is by faith 'alone') is a 'dynamic' document, and that Promise Keepers is open to change.

"Truth and unity are equal, but in tension," said Edwards, who was raised a Catholic but now attends a nondenominational church. "We try to present truth, not washed down, yet not truth that devolves into denominational squabbles.

"Promise Keepers founder Bill McCartney told the Catholic publication, *Our Sunday Visitor* that full Catholic participation was his intention from the start."—*Christian News*, August 28, 1997.

DISNEY AND "THE INROADS OF SPIRITUALISM."

"With 'Aladdin,' Disney introduced a 'new genre' of multicultural movies that would challenge the old monotheistic beliefs of the Western world and build acceptance for the world's earth-centered religions. This politically correct attitude would help establish the new global spirituality needed to unify the world around a common set of beliefs and values. The 'Lion King' and 'Pocahontas' popularized pantheism (all is god, everything is connected) and monism (all is one). 'Hercules' promotes polytheism (many gods). All three help desensitize viewers of all ages to the pagan beliefs and rituals God forbids in His Word.

"To popularize Greek gods in a culture that rejects God's warnings but values His goodness, Disney had to re-invent the old characters. The mythical Hercules who would have sex with 50 young women in a single night was unacceptable. The old stories had to be idealized—just as today's classroom stories about the world's pagan cultures had to be purged of all negative facts.

"Actually, pagan religions have always been counterfeits of truth. Since God created everything, Satan could only counterfeit the good that God created—including His wisdom and prophetic messages. It's no surprise that the story of the fall of man in Genesis 3, the promise of a Saviour, and the image of a young mother with child would spread around the world, inspiring counterfeit creators, saviours, divine mothers, and god-man babies.

"For those who don't know God and His Word, 'Hercules' makes a good imitation. Together, the original Greek myth and the Disney movie bring the following signs of a counterfeit Christ:

- * leaves heaven, becomes a saviour on earth
- * has a human mother and a divine father
- * is misunderstood and rejected by peers
- * is hated and hunted by an evil power
- * prays to his father-god
- * gives his life to save the one he loves
- * returns to heaven when victory is won

"Like Israel in Old Testament days, God's people are surrounded by pagan values, images, and rituals.

"Illustrating Disney's 'new genre' of politically correct movies, 'Pocahontas' gave us an enticing look at the world from a pantheistic perspective. The Disney story points an angry finger at the world's new villain: The white males who have come to exploit the land and steal its gold. Even handsome John Smith is made to look foolish compared to the nature-wise woman he loves. Their exchange of wisdom flows one way only: from Indian to European. The deep spiritual insights come from women. As feminist and multicultural lessons tell us: patriarchy brings war and oppression; matriarchy brings love and wisdom—especially if the female heroines are non-Western. It doesn't matter if the source of matriarchal wisdom comes from humans, ancestral spirits, or nature spirits.

"Disney simply twisted the facts. Remember, history documents Pocahontas' conversion to Christianity, not Smith's conversion to pantheism. But do the facts really matter? After all, this is only a Disney movie!

"While they may not matter to those who sell entertainment, they should matter to leaders who are looking for models on which to base a new civilization. But they don't, and columnist Thomas Sowell, Senior Fellow at the Hoover Institution at Stanford University, is concerned. In his article, 'The Right to Infiltrate,' he warns us that the 'leftist intelligentsia,' which includes leading feminists, 'know they are in a cultural war, as those on the other side often do not.' What's worse, 'Only one side is battling. That is why they are winning.'"

THE BASICS FOR SOCIAL CONSCIOUSNESS

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| Old Paradigm | New Paradigm |
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| Truth | Social and pagan myths |
| Facts | Feelings and experience |
| Observation | Imagination |

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| Logic | Speculation |
| Science | Politicized pseudo-science |
| Reality | Fantasy |
| Factual history | Storytelling |

—*The Christian News*, October 13, 1997.

Book Review: *A Twist of Faith*, How feminist spirituality is changing the church and betraying the women it promised to heal. By Berit Kjos. New Leaf Press, Green Forest, Arkansas. 1997.

MORE ON FEMINISM

"GI Jane" Promotes Amazon Myth.

Center for Military Readiness. Notes. September 1997.

"GI Jane" subscribes to the basic feminist belief that sexuality is of no consequence, and it's possible for men and women to live and sleep in close quarters without sex becoming a factor.

Experts told the 1992 Presidential Commission on the Assignment of Women in the Armed Forces that the introduction of a woman into a SEAL unit would be overwhelmingly disruptive, and that the entire nation would have to be desensitized to accept the reality of full-scale combat violence against women.

Intentionally or not, "GI Jane" begins that degrading process.

—*The Christian News*, October 13, 1997.

PAPACY IN THE NEWS

Vatican Bank—Nazi Germany Connection

Documents obtained by Reuters News Agency implicate the Vatican Bank in possibly illegal transactions with Nazi Germany during World War II. Three separate confidential documents point to specific dealings between the Vatican and German banks. President Clinton has called on the Treasury Department to review its documents and examine any evidence to suggest Vatican holdings of money taken from Nazi victims during the war.

—*Church & State*, September, 1997.

CATHOLICISM ON PUBLISHING

"In vain will you build churches, give missions, found schools—All your work, all your efforts will be destroyed if you are not able to wield the offensive and defensive weapon of a loyal and sincere Catholic Press. . . . I would make any sacrifice, even to pawning my ring, pectoral cross and soutane, in order to support a Catholic paper."—Pope Pius X.

NEW TV SEASON THE "GAY-EST" YET.

According to the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD), this fall's network prime-time lineup increases the number of openly homosexual characters by almost a third—from 23 to 30. GLAAD's entertainment director, Chastity Bono, was ecstatic that television was in the 'forefront' of normalizing homosexuality. "This historic number of [homosexual] characters signals America's increasing appreciation of the lesbian, gay and bisexual community as part of their own lives," Bono said.—*Christian News*, October 20, 1997.

Anti-Defamation League Promotes Homosexual Educational Video That Indoctrinates And Recruits Children In Public Schools.

It's Elementary: Talking About Gay Issues In School, is the title of a 78-minute film being shown to elementary school teachers nationwide.

Schools in California, Michigan, Massachusetts and New York cooperated in making available live classes for videotaping. Several of the teachers, on camera, announced that they are gay. Children who asked questions [in the video] were given responses by their teachers that shook any doubts they may have had about the reasonableness of same-sex relationships.

The teachers were driving not only for acceptance of homosexuality but were recruiting children. Since homosexuals die at an average age of 42, it is imperative for gays to recruit in the schools. The film launches the crusade to take our kids.

Directions for obtaining the \$100.00 video may be obtained by phoning the ADL at (212)-490-2525.—*Christian News*, November 3, 1997.

RELIGIOUS/POLITICAL ARENA

Supreme Court Decision Allows Publicly Funded Remedial Teachers In Religious Schools

On June 23, 1997 in their 5-4 *Agostini v. Felton* decision, the justices for the first time approved a massive government program of instructional aid at religious schools.

The high court's anti-separationists—Chief Justice William Rehnquist and Justices Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas have long criticized their own 1985 *Aguilar v. Felton* decision. Now, assisted by two moderate 'swing-vote' justices—Sandra Day O'Connor and Anthony Kennedy, the Court bluntly declared that "Aguilar is no longer good law." The five justices joined forces to

clear the way for publicly funded teachers to provide instruction in religious schools this fall. [Instead of being a consistent defender of our freedoms, notice how the Supreme Court can flip-flop on its own rulings!]

Noting that the court's church-state policy has 'significantly changed' since 1985, Justice O'Connor's majority opinion observed that the justices no longer hold "that all government aid that directly aids the educational function of religious schools is invalid."

Justice David Souter certainly wasn't fooled by the court majority's sleight of hand. In his dissent, he charged that the decision authorizes "direct state aid to religious institutions on an unparalleled scale, in violation of the Establishment Clause's central prohibition against religious subsidies by the government."

In response, Jerry Falwell wrote in his weekly newsletter, "*The Falwell Fax* urging supporters to call Congress and demand enactment of a voucher program, noting that House Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.) is an enthusiastic proponent of religious school aid."—*Church & State*, September, 1997.

SUPREME COURT SAYS RELIGIOUS FREEDOM RESTORATION ACT (RFRA) VIOLATES SEPARATION OF POWERS.

In a move that could have far reaching implications for religious liberty in America, the Supreme Court, in its City of Boerne v. Flores ruling on June 25 [just two days after their *Agostini v. Felton* decision], struck down the RFRA declaring that Congress had overstepped its bounds when it passed RFRA into law.

Before April 17, 1990, when the Employment Division v. Smith decision was handed down, "government at all levels could not enforce laws that infringed on religious liberty without first proving two things: that the law furthered a 'compelling state interest,' and the law was the 'least restrictive means' of achieving the government's goals."

In Smith, the Court majority, led by Justice Antonin Scalia, jettisoned that standard and declared that henceforth, laws that were "generally applicable and neutral" would be considered constitutional, even if their practical effect was to eviscerate a religious practice.

RFRA was an attempt by Congress [voicing the opinion of the majority of Americans] to force government to abide by the pre-Smith standard.—*Church & State*, September, 1997.

CHUCK COLSON COMMENTS:

In an unpublished speech at Gregorian University, Justice Antonin Scalia argued that moral law has no place in formulating court opinions. "In a democracy the majority rules, and the minority loses, except to the extent that the majority . . . has agreed to accord the minority rights." Pure majoritarianism.

Ironically, Scalia, in *Boerne v. Flores*, struck down RFRA. [which was the will of the majority, enacted through Congress] The effect is to prevent the majority from enacting long-held moral convictions about religious liberty. How are Americans to write their moral convictions into law if the courts strike those laws down?

Christians are caught in the jaws of a vice: On one side, conservatives like Justice Scalia say the courts may not consult morality, that it's up to the people to encode morality into the law through the legislation. Yet in *Boerne*, the Court denied the people's [majority] right to do just that. On the other side, liberals like Justice Kennedy say Christian morality [disfavoring homosexuals for example] may NOT be encoded into the law because it is nothing but prejudice; and Justice Brennan denounced Christian efforts to shape a just social order as a 'sham.'

The time has come for Christians . . . to revive a comprehensive philosophy of the law that articulates the role of religious and moral truth in the public arena. To this end, several evangelical, Orthodox, and Roman Catholic leaders (including myself) have signed a manifesto titled *We Hold These Truths*, challenging the courts and pressing the case for religious truth.—*Christianity Today*, November 17, 1997.

"Courts of justice are corrupt. Rulers are actuated by desire for gain and love of sensual pleasure. Intemperance has beclouded the faculties of many so that Satan has almost complete control of them. Jurists are perverted, bribed, deluded. Drunkenness and revelry, passion, envy, dishonesty of every sort, are represented among those who administer the laws. 'Justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter.' Isaiah 59:14."—*The Great Controversy*, 586.

CHRISTIAN ZAMBIA AS MODEL FOR USA.

President Frederick Chiluba of Zambia has asked church leaders throughout the African nation to identify religious groups that participate in Satanism so they can be banned by the government.

The move has been brought on by local reports of a growing Satanist movement in Zambia and the alleged infiltration of Satanists into mainstream churches. President Chiluba has strong ties to the Religious Right in the United States. After his inauguration, he declared Zambia "a Christian nation" and he pledged to "submit myself as president to the Lordship of Jesus Christ." He has appeared on *The 700 Club* with TV preacher Pat Robertson, who praised Chiluba as the kind of president the U.S. should have.—*Church & State*, September, 1997.

ECONOMY

IRS — "The House Ways and Means Committee passed a bill which would offload the presumption of guilt from the shoulders of the taxpayer back to the IRS. Critics are saying that the burden would now be unreasonable on the tax people." —William F. Buckley, *Conservative Chronicle*, November 5, 1997.

South Korea and IMF Reach Deal—"After days of haggling, South Korea has reached an agreement with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on a loan [57 billion] to cope with the country's deepening debt crisis." —ABC News, November 30, 1997.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

"Russia and Germany agreed today to hold a three-way summit with France next year, laying the foundation of a relationship which Moscow hopes will serve as a counterbalance to U.S. influence in Europe.

"President Boris Yeltsin and German Chancellor Helmut Kohl agreed at informal talks at a hunting lodge outside Moscow that the first summit would be in the Kremlin leader's home city of Yekaterinburg in the first half of next year. . . .

"Yeltsin has been nourishing ties with European countries in recent weeks since, in a clear reference to Washington, he told a Council of Europe summit in October that Europe needed no 'uncle' to look after it." —ABC News, November 30, 1997.

"Iraq said today the situation in the Gulf region was similar to that on the eve of the 1991 Gulf War while Kuwait said it would test air raid sirens and import gas masks. . . . A new confrontation may loom." —ABC News, November 30, 1997.

"The Haitian government officially bid farewell to the UN peacekeeping troops, leaving many Haitians concerned for the safety of the country. Now, a young Haitian police force must secure the country from instability and fears the government could be overthrown." —ABC News, November 30, 1997.

POLITICAL

According to *The Spotlight*, both Republican and Democratic House members want Bill Clinton out of office, and impeachment momentum is gaining. Some of the reasons for the impeachment are given as follows:

- "The president has politicized virtually all the law enforcement agencies of the federal government, [including] the FBI, IRS and Justice Department. . . . The politically induced investigation . . . and acquisition of FBI files under false pretenses is an impeachable offense."

- Compromising "the FBI into providing him raw background files on GOP political appointees." Turning "the leadership of the Resolution Trust Corporation and the Treasury Department into a dragnet for information relating to Whitewater. Impeding this investigation is an impeachable offense."

- "Under Clinton's administration, Attorney General Janet Reno has become a tool in criminal cover-ups. Obstruction of justice is an impeachable offense."

The list goes on and includes naturalizing "thousands of aliens who would not ordinarily qualify for citizenship, some of them convicted criminals;" using extensive federal facilities and funds for personal use; selling "access and policy changes to Red China;" "massive, thorough, and wide-ranging violations of federal campaign contributions laws;" funneling "massive funds" [believed by Clinton critics to be "hush money"] to Webb Hubbell after he was thrown out of the White House," etc.

"President Clinton has conducted himself and his administration with brazen lawlessness unprecedented in American history," says the Center for American Values. "The members of the House of Representatives would be failing to uphold their oaths of office if they do not vote to impeach William Jefferson Clinton and send this case to the Senate for trial." — *The Spotlight*, December 8, 1997.

MILITARY

U.S./UN — "The legal Establishment has sent former Army medic Michael New back to the military court before it will consider his case. New was discharged from the Army in 1996 after he refused to don a UN cap or badge once his unit was ordered to serve as 'peace-keepers' in Macedonia.

"New contended the order violated the Constitution. The patriot says he swore on oath to defend America when he joined the Army—not the United Nations. . . .

"In 1996, New appealed his court-martial to federal court, hoping to have his bad conduct discharge changed to an honorable discharge. . . . New's lawyer said his client could not get a fair trial in the military.

"On November 25, a three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals ruled New must complete an appeal of his January 1996 court-martial within the military justice system before taking the case to a civilian court." — *The Spotlight*, December 8, 1997.

RELIGION

"Korean evangelist Sun Myung Moon blessed the arranged marriages of 3.6 million couples [November 29] in a ceremony centered on a Washington stadium, but linked by satellite with 84 countries around the world.

"Organizers from Moon's Korean-based Unification Church said some 36 million other couples were simultaneously rededicating their marriages, promising to stay together for life and raise their children according to church rules. . . .

"Outspoken black civil rights leader Louis Farrakhan was one of the speakers, and he described marriage as the cornerstone of the nation.

"If God is the cornerstone of your marriage, your marriage shall never fail," Farrakhan, leader of the Nation of Islam, said to loud cheers from the participants." — ABC News, November 29, 1997.

CAFFEINE

"Heads up, parents: Your child could be an addict. Kids consume way more caffeine than parents realize, says Avram Goldstein, a professor emeritus of pharmacology at Stanford University. Without their daily dose of caffeine, they're sluggish, sleepy and achy. The kids, that is.

"Now not many grade-schoolers are actually java junkies. Their caffeinated drink of choice is likely to be cola, often with a chocolate bar chaser, courtesy of school vending machines. . . .

"Some of the kids did consume as much caffeine in a day as an adult who drank four cups of coffee. And many didn't feel so hot when they had to give it up. . . .

"Parents who can't function without coffee shouldn't be surprised that their kids crave caffeine, too. Heredity probably influences why some children consume more than others, says Goldstein.

"Good luck trying to figure out how much caffeine junior is ingesting, though. Some soft drinks contain more than four times as

much caffeine as others, but you won't be able to figure out which is which—caffeine content isn't required on nutrition labels.

"Anyway, it's probably better if kids don't consume *any* caffeine. . . . Caffeine is addictive and it does affect the brain." — ABC News, November 30, 1997.

AIDS

"More than 30 million people worldwide are now living with the AIDS virus, and some 16,000 new victims are infected every day. The United Nations reports previous figures underestimated the contagion by one-third.

"One in every 100 sexually active adults worldwide is infected with HIV, and only one in 10 knows they are infected. . . .

"The main message of our report is the AIDS epidemic is far from over. In fact it's far worse," Peter Piot, director general of UNAIDS, said at a news conference.

"The report said that if current rates hold steady, the number of people infected with the immune-stripping disease 'will soar to 40 million' and the impact of AIDS mortality 'is only just beginning.'" — ABC News, November 30, 1997.

The one country which has successfully brought AIDS under control—is communist Cuba. In Cuba they have treated AIDS as Tuberculosis was treated in years past. Someone diagnosed with AIDS is confined to a sanitarium and all their previous sexual partners are investigated. If they too have AIDS they are likewise confined and investigated. AIDS in Cuba has *honestly* been declining.

This truth verifies the fact that the United States, as well as the United Nations policy on AIDS is being directed by politics—rather than medicine. Today when we hear reports of decreased deaths from the AIDS epidemic, it must be factored in that it is no longer "politically correct" to identify that a person has died of AIDS. The cause of death is simply identified as one of the many diseases that bring about death after AIDS destroys the immune system.



Rejection of Light: True Health Reform

by Stephen Spencer

There has been a struggle over modern medicine and natural remedies for centuries. We recognize the wide spectrum of arguments that have been presented by both sides. It is not the intent of this short article to solve this on-going controversy. It is prudent for each of us, as Seventh-Day Adventists living in this final hour, to have a clear perspective of what responsibility we have concerning our health and physical healing. Without going into the specific details, modern medicine treats symptoms of disease, but seldom addresses the causes or lifestyle that contributed to the condition. This is the reason that our prophet, over 100 years ago, was given so much light on how to preserve health. If one is following the conditions outlined by our Creator, we can, in faith, claim the promises of health.

If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD that healeth thee. Exodus 15:26

We can see that God is pleading for a people that will obey the commandments—through His power. We recognize the spiritual nature of these commandments. It is not enough for us to avoid committing murder, but if we hate our brother, we have verily violated the Law. It is the same with the way we treat the temple of the Holy Spirit. We have been given clear instructions on how to enjoy the health and happiness

that true obedience offers. But we are all prone to wander back to Egypt to partake of what our fleshly natures crave. God is patiently waiting for a people that will 'follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth.' It should sober each of us, that even our prayers are not heard, if we are not living up to the light we have been given (see Isaiah 59:2). Let us look at the clear word of Inspiration:

Many have expected that God would keep them from sickness merely because they have asked Him to do so. But God did not regard their prayers, because their faith was not made perfect by works. God will not work a miracle to keep those from sickness who have no care for themselves, but are continually violating the laws of health and make no efforts to prevent disease. When we do all we can on our part to have health, then may we expect that the blessed results will follow, and we can ask God in faith to bless our efforts for the preservation of health. *Medical Ministry*, 13.

We each have to give account for the light received and available. We must search our hearts before the Lord, to seek His will in regard to our responsibilities. We must remember that God's way to health has the advantage of divine strength promised to those who will obey.

Corporate Health Reform Rejected:

Recently in a special supplement to Dr. Julian Whitaker's, *Health & Healing* newsletter, he reported on an organization established to identify health fraud. The organization's stated intent is to "educate consumers, professionals, business people, legislators, law enforcement personnel, organizations and agencies about health fraud, misinformation, and quackery." This sounds reasonable enough until you see this agency in action. It has taken a course to purge the medical profession of all types of health care other than Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved prescription drugs and conventional surgery.

At this point you may wonder what this has to do with the rejection of light. The war between conventional and naturopathic methods is nothing new. This time though, the agency established to rid the health field of nonconventional treatment, is headquartered at Loma Linda University. The organization is the National Council Against Health Fraud (NCAHF), and is guided by William T. Jarvis, a Loma Linda professor. Let us just take a look at what the little Sanitarium nestled among the orange groves of Southern California was intended to offer:

Because we have sanitariums for the healing of the sick we are not to cease to call upon the Great Healer. When we are urged to establish sanitariums, it is not that we may depend alone upon the simple remedies used, but that we may point the afflicted ones to the Mighty Healer of disease. We are to plead for His power to work in harmony with our medical ministrations. The work of our sanitariums would be far more successful if the physicians would read the word more earnestly and put its precepts into practice, if they would preach the kingdom of God and pray for the healing grace of Christ to come upon the afflicted. *Medical Ministry*, 28-29.

Is it possible that an institution established to utilize the simple remedies and lead people to the true Physician would persecute those that are engaged in this work? Is it possible, that a little country Sanitarium established to teach a healthful lifestyle and provide a haven of healing, where simple water treatment and working the soil in the garden would provide the environment for true healing, could lead out in denying the right of individuals to follow the simple remedies and lifestyle changes that facilitate the Lord's blessing? Is this the way to encourage people away from the toxic drug treatments by making it more difficult to follow God's healing ways? Is it quackery to claim in faith the divine blessing upon our sick, when they have confessed their sins and committed their bodies to be obedient to God's outline?

We each have to ask ourselves some serious questions. Are we living up to the light that we have? Is it more important for you to know God's will or to have a secure position in this world? We can all cry and sigh over

the state of our health institutions. We have failed God in providing the opportunity to win many souls to the kingdom by rejecting His plan of healing both physically and spiritually. Let me draw your attention to this closing thought:

Every rejection of light hardens the heart and darkens the understanding; and thus men find it more and more difficult to distinguish between right and wrong, and they become bolder in resisting the will of God. Manuscript 3, 1895.

Speaking of the National Council Against Health Fraud, (NCAHF), Dr. Whitaker states:

"This non-profit, tax-exempt organization operates from the campus of Loma Linda University, guided by NCAHF president, William T. Jarvis, Ph.D., a Loma Linda professor. NCAHF's stated purpose is 'to educate consumers, professionals, business people, legislators, law enforcement personnel, organizations and agencies about health fraud, misinformation, and quackery.'

"Hogwash. This group seems more interested in purging the medical profession of all types of health care other than Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved prescription drugs and conventional surgery. In its eyes, if a health care professional utilizes virtually any other therapy—chiropractic, acupuncture or nutritional therapy—he or she is, by definition, a 'quack' and a 'fraud.' The NCAHF is an organization dominated by a small group who liberally brand health professionals and others with whom they disagree as quacks and frauds.

"This group's intolerance is dangerous. On April 7, 1997, I attended a conference on the campus of Loma Linda University entitled, 'Cancer Quackery: What You Should Know

About!' The sole speaker was NCAHF president Dr. Jarvis, who discussed the characteristics of quacks and frauds. Dr. Jarvis ended the program with a videotape and discussion of Stanislaw Burzynski, a physician who has developed a unique cancer treatment. Dr. Jarvis held Dr. Burzinski up as an example of a typical cancer quack.

"Dr. Jarvis has a Ph.D. in health education. He is not an M.D. and has never treated a patient. One would think that before mislabeling Dr. Burzinski, an M.D. and Ph.D., Jarvis would have investigated his subject. Yet Jarvis, by his own admission, had never spoken to Dr. Burzinski, never visited his clinic, and had not reviewed any of Dr. Burzinski's patient records. Dr. Jarvis did not even know that Dr. Burzinski is the principal investigator in 72 FDA-approved clinical trials! Does the FDA allow quacks and frauds to head up approved clinical trials?

"In the summer of 1692, Salem, Massachusetts, was the site of the most deadly witch-hunt in American history. Accusatory musings of two preadolescent girls set off a frenzy of hysteria that resulted in 20 executions, 19 by hanging and one by crushing. Another 150 people were imprisoned, and 17 perished. A few years later, the government made reparations of those so unjustly defiled and killed, but the Salem witch trials and the personalities who conducted them remain testimony to the dark side of humanity.

"One would think that witch-hunting would be legally and socially banned, yet it flourishes even today." *Health & Healing*, October 1997.

Overflowing Freedom

by Jeff Pippenger

In October of 1995, I had the privilege of attending the annual meeting of the Americans United for Separation of Church and State just outside of Washington, D.C. At that meeting, Congresswoman Pat Schroeder was the keynote speaker at the banquet ceremony. She explained why she believed that the defense against the separation of church and state had become a lost cause. More on her speech in a moment.

In more than one book the Catholic Church has identified three areas as the best points of attack in order to tear down and change the Constitution of the United States, and then to change it to reflect a Catholic position. A Catholic position, being defined as a denial of religious freedom—through the destruction of the wall of separation of church and state. The three areas which they have identified as the points of attack are: parochial school funding, abortion, and prayer in schools. These three areas have been their main focus of agitation for many years as they have sought to win rulings designed to overturn this country's freedom. Back to Pat Schroeder's solemn presentation.

The story she used to try to point out how the wall of separation was about to be destroyed was as follows:

In 1962 and 1963 there were two rulings by the Supreme Court against forced, state-sponsored prayer in schools. Since those rulings in 1963 there had only been "one" law submitted up to and including 1994, which was designed to reverse these rulings in the Congress of the United States. It died during the legislative process. But in January of 1995, the new Congressmen who had been elected by the voting power of the Christian Coalition arrived in Washington D.C. From their arrival at the end of January 1995, until October of 1995, there were already 64 laws submitted—and working their way through Congress—attempting to overturn the 1962 and 1963 rulings on school prayer. The new Congress (and

remember, in the 1996 election the Christian Coalition congressmen numbers increased—not decreased), was in 1995 beginning to "flood" the legislature with amendments, laws, and proposals designed to uphold their desire for so-called Christian morality to be established in the United States.

Brothers and Sisters, Satan's attacks are symbolized as floods. The Constitution is now under attack not only on the prayer in school issue, but parochial school funding, abortion, and other issues which are destined to bring the secular power of the United States to a point where it is used to establish and sustain religious dogmas. Many of these proposed laws which Pat Schroeder spoke about in 1995 are still winding their way through the legislative process. Some of the most ominous ones are being proposed as amendments to the Constitution. A similar environment took place at the end of the last century. Notice this warning from the Spirit of Prophecy:

"There have been surprising indifference and inactivity in this time of peril. Truth, present truth, is what the people need; and if the startling transactions taking place in our country today, in regard to the Religious Amendment, had been realized by our people in every church; had they seen the plain, decided fulfillment of prophecy, and aroused to the demands of the crisis, they would not now be under such stupor and deathlike slumber. But as long as the watchmen do not give the trumpet a certain sound, the people are not alarmed, and are not on the lookout for danger. —*Review and Herald*, December 18, 1888.

Barry Lynn, the executive director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State, just mailed out his year-end newsletter. A portion of that letter is as follows:

"This was to be a relatively straightforward year-end report to you—and would be, were it not for a recent vote

in Congress.

"But now, the legislative wrecking ball you know as the ill-named 'Religious Freedom Amendment' (RFA) is poised to crush the wall of separation between church and state. So before I touch on other continuing challenges, I need to alert you to the status of RFA—Americans United's most daunting challenge.

"Last month, just before Congress recessed, the House Constitution Subcommittee pushed the RFA through the House Judiciary Committee. This is the first time in the long, dangerous history of this amendment that extremist lawmakers have been able to push it to a vote. And the minute Congress returns, the proponents of this dangerous amendment will put it on a fast track.

"You know what this means. For months, you and other Americans United members have been alerted to the dangers of the RFA as it was drafted and redrafted, named and renamed by its sponsor, Representative Ernest Istook (R-Okla.), and his anti-separationist colleagues.

"Recently, you were among the first to learn just how far the Religious Right is willing to go to pass RFA when I shared with you excerpts from our tape of Pat Robertson's closed door speech to Christian Coalition state leaders. Basically, Robertson said it's 'payback time' for lawmakers beholden to him. 'We'll just tell these guys, "Look, we put you in power in 1994, and we want you to deliver," bragged Robertson, "and we are going to hold your feet to the fire while you do it.'"

"Since then RFA supporters have mounted a massive campaign to bamboozle their fellow lawmakers, the media and the American public that passage of the amendment would be of no consequence. But you know that the consequences are many and severe. Vouchers, mandated school prayer and unrestricted religious displays on public property are just the tip of the iceberg. Essentially... passage of the RFA would destroy America's tradition of freedom of conscience and demolish the wall of separation between church and state. All

the protections of religious freedom you and I have fought for—and won—would be swept aside.

“When a proposed constitutional amendment as dangerous as the RFA takes one step towards ratification, we must stop it. . . .

“The RFA already has more than 140 co-sponsors in the House.

“The Christian Coalition plans to spend \$2 million on a national campaign to pressure representatives from 100 key congressional districts to vote for it.

“If the RFA comes to the floor of the House for a vote early next year, [this year] as is expected, then the Christian Coalition will publicize the roll call in 35 to 40 million voter guides which will be distributed in all 435 congressional districts before the 1998 elections. It’s sad to say, that in an election year, a shameful number of representatives will probably cave in to this Christian Coalition pressure and vote for RFA.”—Barry Lynn, Executive Director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State, December 1997, Newsletter.

“We see that efforts are being made to restrict our religious liberties. The Sunday question is now assuming large proportions. **An amendment to our Constitution is being urged in Congress, and when it is obtained, oppression must follow.** I want to ask, **Are you awake to this matter?** and do you realize that the night cometh, when no man can work? Have you had that intensity of zeal, and that piety and devotion, which will enable you to stand when oppression is brought upon you? It does not seem possible to us now that any should have to stand alone; but if God has ever spoken by me, the time will come when we shall be brought before councils and before thousands for His name’s sake, and each one will have to give the reason of his faith. Then will come the severest criticism upon every position that has been taken for the truth. We need, then, to study the word of God, that we may know why we believe the doctrines we advocate. We must critically search the living oracles of Jehovah. . . .

“Has the Protestant world stopped to look back at the suffering caused by popery in attempting to bind men’s reason, so that they should not worship God as seemed right to them? Can they not see how the Roman Church has exercised her revengeful and cruel power? Those who would not bow to her mandates had to endure the prison and the stake, torture and death. And when those were swept away who would not bow their conscience to any but the God of heaven, others would spring up to fill the ranks, and lift the standard of religious liberty and right. And now this nation—the greatest nation of earth—under whose government we are blessed with every religious and temporal advantage; which has been the recipient of unrivaled mercies; which Providence has watched over and shielded; by which the standard of liberty and religious freedom has been lifted—will it follow the course of the papacy, and make void God’s law? And shall we sit with folded hands, and do nothing in this crisis? Shall we let this Religious Amendment movement come in, and shut us away from our privileges and rights, because we keep the commandments of God? God help us to arouse from the stupor that has hung over us for years! There are more souls to be saved, and a far greater work to be done in warning our world, than has yet been accomplished. We should seek God, especially that His grace and His power may be revealed in behalf of His people. We believe that God lives. We do not think the time specified in prophecy, when our liberties should be restricted, has fully come.

Revelation 7:1, says: ‘And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.’ It seems that the breaking loose of the four winds is about to take place. Verses 2-3: ‘And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God; and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till

we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.’

“Here was a work to be done before the angels should let go the four winds; and if we shall awake to what is transpiring right around us, we must admit that we are not ready for the contest and the perplexities which are to be brought upon us, after the decree shall go forth. We are to cry to the God of heaven in earnest, united prayer, for the angels to hold the four winds till missionaries shall be sent to all parts of the world, till we have proclaimed the warning against disobedience to the law of Jehovah, and against worshiping the beast and his image. The claims of God’s law must be made known to the inhabitants of the earth. This is our work; but every conceivable thing that the enemy can do will be done to hinder the people of God from awaking.

“The Lord bids us to watch; for we read that while men slept, the enemy sowed tares in the field. The work of these National Reformers has been done in a deceptive, underhanded way, to sweep in the whole Christian world, if possible; and if they shall carry this move to its result, and we are brought into straitened places, what are we to do? I beg of you, in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, to awake out of sleep. God always cooperates with man in the carrying out of divine plans. Christ came to our world for the purpose of bringing to man moral power to combine with his human efforts, and that He might place divine strength within the reach of weak humanity. Every time that Jesus overcame the temptations of the enemy in behalf of man, He elevated man in the scale of moral value with God. But it is impossible to discern between the human and the divine without the enlightenment of the Spirit of God. It is next to impossible for human beings to separate the sacred from the common—the divine from the human—notwithstanding discerning power is in our midst.” —*Review and Herald*, December 18, 1888.

Future's Bookshelf—

CONSPIRACY FOR GLOBAL CONTROL, is an 82 page, four color magazine distributed by *The John Birch Society*. It is a special issue of their monthly magazine titled, *The New American*. This issue gives perhaps the most concise, accounts of the history, plans, and current efforts of the new-age, world banking, masonic conspiracy to bring about a one-world government, through the auspices of the United Nations. By no means does *Future for America* endorse the John Birch Society, or agree with everything they set forth, but this magazine is excellent resource material when considered in the light of Revelation 17, which teaches that the 10 king confederacy will be a "universal" conspiracy, which establishes a one-world government, using the political system of socialism.

One article in the magazine deserves a disclaimer above any others. It is titled **NEUTRALIZING GOOD AMERICANS**, and is written by a Catholic priest. The article downplays the Vatican as having any role in end-time events. Never-the-less the magazine overall is excellent resource material and professionally done, which allows it to be handed out to curious friends and associates.

This magazine is \$4.00 per issue including shipping and handling.

GOD'S HEALING WAY, is Dr. Mary Ann McNeilus' 40 page book on the philosophy of health covering the 8 laws and a few simple natural remedies. This book covers her normal 3 or 4 part spoken presentation. We had hoped to tape Dr. McNeilus' presentation while we had the video studio rented, but a tragedy took place in her family, forcing her to cancel. We intend to do it some time in the future, but the book is an excellent source of information without the accompaniment of her audio or video presentations. You will be blessed by the information contained therein. \$8.00, plus \$2.00 for shipping and handling, for a total of \$10.00.

We have a limited number of **MAD COWS AND MILK GATE**, by Dr. Virgil Hulse which is an excellent book to address not only mad cows disease but several other animal diseases which are impacting the world today in fulfillment of prophecy. It does an excellent job of exposing the political cover-ups which are preventing the correct response which would control or eliminate these diseases. Written by a scientist, this 286 page book provides some very concise

information. \$15.00, plus \$2.00 for shipping and handling, for a total of \$17.00.

THE FINAL RISE OF THE KING OF THE NORTH, by Jeff Pippenger, covers Daniel 11:40-45 and demonstrates that these verses began their modern fulfillment in 1989 at the collapse of the Soviet Union. This book is present truth. We wrote this book to simply cover these verses and did not spend much time tying them into the book of Revelation, so as to not bog down the reader with too much information the first time through. We have just completed the first part of putting this information on video, which will greatly enhance the book with much outside collaborating information. Jeff Pippenger is currently working on a few follow-up book to this study which will further strengthen and develop this end-time truth. This is the foundational study of Jeff Pippenger's prophetic studies. We are pricing this book at \$8.95, plus \$2.00 shipping and handling. This book is available in both Spanish and English. The title in Spanish when ordering is, **EL ASCENSO Y CAIDA FINAL DEL REY DEL NORTE**.

The Strawberry Patch

COLOMBIA, SOUTH AMERICA

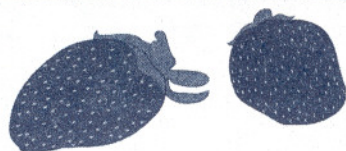
I went to Seattle to look at some Meihle 29 presses for Colombia. When I arrived the salesman told me about a 20-inch Harris press that was in storage which we could have for free—if we would just pay the storage. Many times press equipment in storage is a big pile of junk. As I started to unwrap the press in the warehouse, I could not believe my eyes! It was a modern Harris that was in super-sharp condition! I tried to hide my excitement because I was afraid they might decide to put the real price on it. The press had been in storage for about one year and I figured that the storage bill would be around \$1,000. Imagine our surprise when they said that all the freight had been paid and there was no charge! The Lord gave us a top line press for HIS work, and a large folder for \$2,000.00 that needed no repair work! It is the prayers of faithful people like you, who intercede in behalf of HIS work, that make things like this possible.

I went to Colombia to plan for the press building and import permission from the government. On Monday morning, we were to be driven around to the offices we needed to contact, but our driver did not show up until late in the afternoon, so we started to make phone calls to people who knew how to get things into the country. I had expected to be in Bogota a week setting everything up, but by the time the driver arrived the Lord had arranged everything—import duty free. Now that is a miracle!

Tico Restrepo and I found a beautiful location for the print shop on a high spot by the river that runs through the property. It even has a three-phase power line running by the back side of the location. When I left Colombia Wednesday morning, God had accomplished in two days all the work that I had thought would take two weeks!

UKRAINE

The work in Kiev is moving along well. A leader in the Ukrainian Union had taken a call to the Division in Moscow, and he and his wife loaned us their house to use until suitable quarters could be found. The day is fast approaching when we will have to move into larger quarters. The new and larger press equipment will be shipped shortly, and we will have to set up the new equipment. We ask for your prayers and support in this move as it appears that a suitable building will cost about \$30,000.00. Since there is no private land in these former communist countries, everyone who wants to purchase land or buildings has to go to



the same government office. They set the price and there is no negotiation and no other place to go to purchase property. We need prayer in this matter. This process has put our colporteur work back a whole year.

PROMISE KEEPERS

This past October, I had the blessing of handing out some of the 100,000 pieces of literature at the Promise Keepers' rally in Washington, DC. When Ron Goss, of Project Restore, heard of this rally being planned, he was impressed to do something. There were Seventh-day Adventist men stationed at every single subway entrance to the Washington Mall, strategically located at the large Union Station where all the trains unload, and in the crowd of a million men carrying literature in paper-boy delivery bags. As I was offering one of my last magazines to a man in the throng, he turned and said, "I don't know who planned your distribution, but your magazine is everywhere." The God of Heaven planned and impressed each one of the about 130 men who passed out His truth. That is Who planned the distribution.

MEXICO

The work that we are helping with in Mexico is going very well. We now have another person to help in the operation of the press until the nationals can be trained in the operation of the equipment. His name is Dean Ferrell. He will assist Tim and Yolanda Ries in the operation of the press equipment. We have received \$6,500.00 from the folks in Mexico for a machine to make books. We found a late model perfect binder that was in very good condition for \$6,000.00. That leaves funds for glue. Praise the Lord!

We were recently blessed with a commitment for a larger press to print colporteur books for the Mexico project. We still need a larger folder that will cost between \$2,000.00 plus parts, to \$6,000.00. If this is something you could help with, praise the Lord. We also have planned a church building and evangelistic program undertaken by Country Life Vocational Academy this coming spring in the Northern Conference of Mexico. The young people will first build the church, then hold the first evangelistic meetings to fill the church.

Stephen Dickie

Future for America Letters

Dear Jeff and Helpers,
Yes, please keep sending the tapes! They are so important, especially in these last days. We are so thankful for your work. We are on Social Security after low wages and we are trying to help____, but we will help all we can. Please send the 6 remaining *Purification of the Church* tapes and keep us on your mailing list. TN

Jeff and Staff,
Thanks very much for tapes. I enjoy them, and what I want to say is this, I am a senior citizen on a fixed income. But I will do the best that I can. Hope that I may keep receiving the tapes. If not, I still will do what I can toward this ministry. It is what we need. I don't hear that kind of teaching in this part of America. Thanks again for what you have already done. MO

Dear Future for America,
Please continue to send the newsletter. I am sending a small donation. I am also including money so you would please send me the book *The Final Rise and Fall of the King of the North*. Thank you, Sincerely, CA

Please keep the tapes coming. NE

Dear Brother Jeff,
Yes, please keep sending your tapes and newsletter. I look forward to them each month. I am so grateful for your ministry and the end time message which we need so we can be ready when Jesus comes real soon now. Thank you. I will keep praying for you and for *Future for America*. God's blessings be with you all. MN

Dear Jeff,
Thanks for coming to Fontana to share the gospel with us & especially the tapes that I've received from you. I am enclosing a contribution to use as needed. CA

Dear Friends,
Enclosed please find a check for _____. I'm enjoying the tapes. I wish this could be more but times are extremely severe right now. Soon Jesus will come and this struggling will be over. Thank you and God Bless. AR

Dear Pastor Jeff,
Those tapes are absolutely wonderful. I listen to them and study often. They are the best I've heard. God is really blessing the message and your group and efforts.

When you have your prayer group meet, remember me. . . . The Lord bless you each one and give you strength and courage and joy. CA

Thanks for the tapes. Really appreciate them. They are good. CA

God Bless Each of You,
Just a quick note to let you know how much we appreciate the tapes you have sent. Every one has been just great. Keep up the good work. . . . We pray for you that your work will grow and be the blessing it is intended.

Love and prayers. TN

NOTE: We appreciate the self-sacrificing spirit of many who have donated toward this ministry, and want to assure our readers that everyone who wishes to stay on our mailing list will be kept on regardless of ability to pay. If you have the funds and God so impresses you, your general donation will help fund those in impoverished conditions.

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...they did not feel that the blessing
...for the taxing effort required of
...in study; for they discerned that
...God, their destiny depended upon
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...were true to God, and God
...ored them. The lesson is for us
...Seek
...of God, and his righteousness; and all
...added unto you" (Letter 57, 1896).
...and Intellect Grow Together.—As
...in exact proportion as the spiritual

82, 1900).
The history of Daniel, if all was written in
chapters before you, that would show you the
heshad to meet, of ridicule, envy, and hate
learned to master the difficulties. He did not
own strength; he laid his whole soul and all his
open to his heavenly Father, and he believed
him, and he was comforted and blessed. He
rior to ridicule; and so will every one who
comes. Daniel acquired a serene and
of mind, because he believed God was
and helper. The taxing duties he had
were made light because he brought the
love of God into his work. "All the
Lord are mercy and truth" to such as will
(Y1 Aug. 25, 1886).

2:37-42: A Dual Representation
...image revealed to Nebuchadnezzar
...representing the deterioration of
...doms of the earth in power,
...also fitly represents the deterio-
...religion and morality among
...of these kingdoms. As nations
...God, in like proportion they
...weak morally.
...Babylon passed away because
...prosperity she forgot God; and
...glory of her prosperity to human
...The Medo-Persian kingdom was
...the wrath of heaven because in this
...God's law was trampled under foot
...of the Lord found no place in the
...people. The prevailing influences
...Persia were wickedness, blasphemy
...corruption.
...The kingdoms that followed were
...more base and corrupt. They de-
...because they cast off their allegi-
...As they forgot Him, they sank low-
...lower in the scale of moral value.
...1903).

1:243: Iron and Clay-Mingled Church and Statecraft.—We have come
when God's sacred work is represent-
feet of the image in which the iron
with the mingled clay. God has a people
people whose discernment must be sanc-
must not become unholy by laying upon
dation wood, hay, and stubble. Every
loyal to the commandments of God will
distinguishing feature of our faith is the
Sabbath. If the government would
Sabbath as God has commanded, it would
the strength of God and in defense of the
delivered to the saints. But statesmen will
spurious sabbath, and will mingle their
with the observance of this child of the
placing it above the Sabbath which is
sanctified and blessed, setting it apart
keep holy, as a sign between Him
people to a thousand generations. The
of churchcraft and statecraft is represented by
the clay. This union is weakening all the
churches. This investing the church with the
state will bring evil results. Men have almost
point of God's forbearance. They have inv-



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