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OUR "CHRISTIANS IN PERIL" VIDEO WAS SUSPENDED BY ONLINE SERVICE

TEN COMMANDMENTS WEEKEND MAY BE A REALITY

"UNDER GOD" ON-LINE PETITION READY

MUSLIM EDITOR BAPTIZED BY POPE

NEW WEBSITE NAME - The online version of our "Protect the Pledge" petition is now online at a brand new address: www.pledgeundergod.com. Although the Religious Freedom Coalition has collected tens of thousands of signed petitions that are identified by congressional district, the online petition will be available for the big rush we anticipate when the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals once again finds "under God" in the Pledge unconstitutional.

How do I know in advance that the Court will find against God and for atheist Michael Newdow? The 9th Circuit Court is known inside the DC Beltway as the "Nuttty Ninth." It has had more of its decisions, which are often based on social trends rather than law, reversed by the Supreme Court than has any other federal court. Most of the justices in the 9th Circuit are secularists and socialists. When these left wingers decide to toss God out of our Pledge of Allegiance again, it is important that we are ready to show how out-of-step they are with the rest of the nation.

Even if you have signed a petition with your certified home address on it, I urge you to go to www.pledgeundergod.com and sign the online petition. The petition is set up in a way that allows you to leave a comment of support for "under God" in the Pledge. The online petition will help us with news media coverage for defending the Pledge when the 9th Circuit Court renders its decision.

THE HOUSE

EASTER RECESS OR SPRING BREAK? - Under the leadership of San Francisco extremist Nancy Pelosi, the House of Representatives has seen a lot of politically correct changes. Among other things she has forced the House cafeteria to serve tofu despite the fact that virtually no one orders it. The week before Good Friday, the House left town on a two week "Spring District Work Break" according to the Majority Whip's office. When the House was controlled by Republicans, this "spring break" was called "Easter recess."

CONGRESSMAN AKIN PUSHES FOR PLEDGE BILL - Congressman Todd Akin is continuing his push for the Pledge Protection Act despite the Democrat leadership's refusal to allow a vote, either in the Judiciary or on the floor of the House. Judiciary Committee chairman John Conyers continues to refuse to even allow a hearing on the bill even though his office has been beleaguered by calls and letters from supporters of the Pledge.

Congressman Akin continues to circulate a "discharge petition" among the Members of the House to force Speaker Pelosi to bypass the Judiciary Committee and force a vote on the bill on the floor. Pelosi has consistently refused to allow a vote because she knows that the majority of congressmen will vote for the Pledge Protection Act. There are dozens of Democrat congressmen who voted for the bill in 2006 who would vote for it again. Because a victory for the Pledge Protection Act is assured, secular extremists such as John Conyers and Nancy Pelosi refuse to allow a vote.

THE SENATE

TEN COMMANDMENTS RESOLUTION - In March, just prior to the "recess" (see below) Senators Sam Brownback (R-KS) and Joe Lieberman (I-CT) introduced the Ten Commandments Weekend Resolution, which would designate the first weekend of May 2008 as Ten Commandments Weekend. "It is important for Americans to remember the importance the Ten Commandments have in our nation," said Senator Brownback. "The Ten Commandments are the cornerstone to the faith of millions of Americans of many faith traditions, and are a cornerstone to a fair and just society. We as a nation should take a weekend to reflect on the impact the Ten Commandments have had on the foundation of America's national life."

A similar resolution has been entered in the House by our good friend Congressman Todd Akin (R-MO). Both resolutions have been promoted by the Ten Commandments Commission, whose goal of publicly promoting the Ten Commandments is supported by dozens of ministries including the Religious Freedom Coalition. I am personally proud to serve on the Board of the Ten Commandments Commission. I was present with Ten Commandments Commission president Ron Wexler and Congressmen Todd Akin when the resolution was introduced in the House when the resolution was introduced with



William J Murray, Rev., Rob Schenck, Mr. Ron Wexler, Rep. Todd Akin, Rep. Paul Broun, Rep. Jim Jordan, Bishop Harry Jackson.

SENATE SOMEWHAT IN RECESS - The Senate did not take an official recess for Easter. Every few days there was a "pro-forma" session of the Senate with only one Democrat Senator present. The purpose of these sessions was to stop President George W. Bush from making emergency appointments to the hundreds of judicial and other agency vacancies.

POLAR BEARS MORE IMPORTANT THAN ECONOMY - Important Senate time is being wasted as Senator Barbara Boxer and other Democrats insist that the polar bear be added to the endangered species list. The Democrat party is a puppet of radical environmentalists, homosexuals and other extremist groups and do what these groups say, when they say it. Senator Barbara Boxer (D-CA) is leading the charge to have the polar bear listed as an endangered species for the radical groups, even though there are more polar bears today than there were 50 years ago. Why? If the polar bear is added to the endangered species list, all energy exploration in Alaska will stop. In fact, current oil wells may be shut down and there is a chance that cruise ships will no longer be allowed in glacier area waters.

Why? The radical environmentalists hate people. They have a view of a perfect world in which the human population is reduced to a few thousand "stewards" of the environment who will sit in huts to watch over the Earth. The deaths of hundreds of millions of people because of a lack of energy and food is deemed as necessary by these extremists to "save the planet."

THE LIST GETS LONGER - Democrat leader Senator Harry Reid is blocking more than judicial appointments made by President Bush. Most Americans are not aware of the fact that Senate Democrats are also blocking more than 200 other important appointments to federal departments and commissions. The Federal Election Commission, which is supposed to be overseeing the current presidential election, does not even have enough members for a quorum. Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton can do whatever they want and there is no voice to stop any questionable fund raising tactics or lavish spending. Other agencies, including the Department of Transportation are also suffering from lack of staff because of Senator Reid's obstructionism.

THE PRESIDENT

BUSH JUST WILL NOT HELP IRAQ'S CHRISTIANS - The murder in Mosul, Iraq of Archbishop Paulos Faraj Rahho is just flat on the hands of the Bush Administration, particularly Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice. Our government's refusal to assist the persecuted Christians in Iraq has emboldened Islamists to pillage, rape and murder them. Had the Bush Administration been proactive, the archbishop's life could have been spared.

The Bush Administration will not allow Christians in Iraq to form a police force, while giving Islamist extremists such as Shiite cleric Moqtada al-Sadr the right to maintain small armies. The White House did not even condemn the kidnapping until after the Bishop's body was found, despite pleas from the Pope for help. Coalition forces in Iraq treated the Bishop's kidnapping as a "criminal affair." The kidnapers not only demanded \$3 million, but also wanted a commitment from Christians to assist in armed attacks against American forces.



Funeral of Archbishop Paulos Farai Rahho

Shame on America for helping destroy the church in Iraq. Since President Jimmy Carter, both Democrat and Republican Administrations have assisted Muslims in destroying Christianity in the Middle East. Jimmy Carter helped the fascist mullahs take over Iran, and conservative icon Ronald Reagan abandoned the Christian forces in Lebanon after the Marine barracks there were bombed. Bill Clinton handed the Christian areas of the Holy Land over to Yassar Arafat and there are virtually no Christians remaining in Bethlehem as a result. Now George Bush has allowed the church in Iraq to be destroyed out of a fear that assisting them will cause more attacks on Coalition forces.

Both Bill Clinton and George Bush promoted the handover of Kosovo, the heart of the Serbian Orthodox Church, to illegal Muslim immigrants from Albania.

Syria is the last remaining refuge for Christians in the Middle East and hundreds of thousands of Iraqi Christian refugees have fled there from other Middle Eastern nations. Now the Bush Administration and the European Union have begun a campaign to dislodge the secular "dictator" in Syria and replace him with yet another radical Islamic government like that of Iran.

KARL ROVE'S "M & M" TICKET - Former Bush sidekick Karl Rove is daily pushing his McCain and Mitt ticket, almost as if he were being paid big bucks as a Mitt Romney promoter. Karl Rove claims to be an evangelical and should understand the dynamics working against Romney. As a Washington insider he knows full well that Mitt Romney will further weaken the already shaky support of evangelicals for McCain. They will be driven away en mass from the Republican ticket, yet he persists in pushing Romney for the number two slot. A large coalition of Christian evangelicals is forming to stop the Romney for VP train. Paid advertising has already been reserved for a media campaign to expose Romney's left leaning background.

A PASTOR TOO FAR - All of a sudden conservative radio and TV talk show hosts have obtained videos of Barack Obama's long time pastor preaching that the US government invented AIDS to kill black people. Dr. Wright is also shown proclaiming that God should damn America and that this nation was responsible for the 911 Jihad attack against it. Just about every bad thing in the world, according to him, is the fault of "rich white people." Barack Obama claims that he was a member of this church for nearly 20 years, was married by Pastor Wright and had his children baptized by him, yet had never heard one of these outrageous remarks. Wright very recently retired, and the first sermon by his replacement maintains that Wright is being crucified like Christ by the "white media."

INTERNATIONAL

POPE BAPTIZES ITALIAN MUSLIM - A prominent Muslim editor and critic of Islamic extremism, Magdi Allam, has converted to Catholicism from Islam. He was baptized by Pope Benedict XVI at an Easter vigil. In a letter explaining his conversion he branded his former faith as intrinsically violent. In a long letter to the Italian daily *Corriere della Sera* Allam said, "*Beyond ... the phenomenon of extremists and Islamist terrorism at the global level, the root of evil is inherent to a physiologically violent and historically conflictual Islam,*" wrote the Egyptian-born journalist, who says he has received death threats and is under police protection.

Allam, 55, was one of seven adults baptized at the Easter vigil by the Pope. He is an editorial writer and deputy editor at *Corriere*. His letter detailing the process of his conversion from Islam can be read at: <http://www.zenit.org/article-22151?l=english>

MC CAIN SURPRISE - Republican presidential candidate Senator John McCain visited Israel just before Easter and said that he supports Jerusalem as the capital of that nation. The United States is virtually the only Western nation that has not moved its embassy to Jerusalem. President George W. Bush, a supporter of Israel, has refused to move the embassy there despite a law passed by Congress. McCain also visited the Western Wall and slipped a prayer note into the Wall as have millions before him, including me. The Senator has not been the favorite candidate of Christian conservatives because he has failed to speak out on our issues in the past.

OUR IRAQI VIDEO SUSPENDED - Our Internet provider, Network Solutions, has suspended our video stream of "Iraqi Christians in Peril" because of the number of hits and the use of bandwidth. As a result this very popular video of Iraqi Christian testimonies has been suspended for the rest of the month of March. Our webmaster is working with Network Solutions to place the video back up, but something has been done to prevent us from uploading a smaller version. As the problem with Network Solutions resolves itself one way or the other, we will keep you informed.

NETWORK SOLUTIONS CLOSES LAWMAKER'S SITE - The same Internet provider that shut down our video of the testimonies of persecuted Christians because of bandwidth use, has also shut down the site of a Dutch lawmaker because his views are seen as "anti-Islam."

Internet sites are being shut down all over the world because of complaints from Muslims, and newspapers are refusing to print stories about Islamic atrocities for fear of reprisals. American newspapers call the bombers who kill women and children in Iraq "insurgents" because they are afraid to call them Muslim extremists. The reality: Muslims are effectively censoring the Western media because the leaders of the free world such as Prime Minister Brown of the UK and President Bush of the United States are afraid to stand at their podiums and call for free speech. They fear violent attacks on their nations if free speech is allowed, because Muslims might somehow be insulted.

Muslims now control what is said in the major media and we can expect independent Internet sites and newsletters to be shut down next. Meanwhile, Muslims in Britain and the USA may continue to insult Christ, to insult Christians, and to call for our deaths and destruction with impunity.

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