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Dear ones,

At times in the past I have been asked why there is political content in my Christian newsletter; and I have been criticized for it. The answer is simple: it is because many of the most compelling political matters at issue today are spiritual. Lying, oath-breaking, betraying the very warriors who fight and die keep us free, ripping innocent, defenseless babies apart and calling it “choice,” the political assault on our founding, Christian principles, and rampant, militant sodomy, to name but a few, are spiritual matters. Lately, however, these “political” matters are growing worse, and at an increasing rate. Thus, much of the content in this issue of the newsletter. With limited space I do my best to preserve the mix in the content; but this issue demands to be heavily “political.” There will, however, be a heart-warmer at the end.

APPLE AND THE ASSAULT ON CHILDREN

Steve Jobs was a personable, nice guy; but he was a humanist, personable, nice guy. He faced death with quiet grace; but by now he knows how wrong he was. I didn't like the way he attempted to monopolize the market when the computer world exploded first into existence. Much, much more, I despised his support for abortion.

But now Apple has declared war on the innocence, health and safety of children. The company has just rolled out its new “app” (a feature to add to “smart phones”). They proudly call it the “the only **gay** social networking app **for ages 12 and up**” (emphasis mine); and it is nothing but a sharing of homosexual porn, with related “hookup,” with marketing aimed at children. To quote Janna Brock of Freedom Outpost, “It doesn't get more repulsive than this.” (Freedom Outpost, Huffington Post, et al)



THE REAL NELSON MANDELA

Politicians and news commentators have been falling over one another, searching for more superlatives to use in praising the late Nelson Mandela. Even the Pope joined in praising him. But the real Mandela was a terrorist murderer and a Communist, who admired Marx, Lenin, Stalin, Chairman Mao and Fidel Castro. Yes, he was in prison for 27 years; but he was not a “political prisoner”; he pleaded guilty to 156 acts of terrorist violence in which many innocent men, women and children were killed. He was the head of “MK,” the terrorist arm of the African National Congress (ANC), and a leader in the South African Communist Party in the 1980s. Even left-leaning Amnesty International refused to take up his cause because it “could not give the name of ‘Prisoner of Conscience’ to anyone associated with violence.” His ANC (still the ruling party in South Africa) was not removed from the USA Terrorism Watch List until 2008. He never renounced the use of terroristic violence, a hallmark of his life.

Mandela was a strong advocate of abortion, which the Rev. Thomas Tobin, courageous Roman Catholic Bishop of Providence, RI, despised. He called Mandela’s support for abortion “shameful,” and criticized the Pope for praising Mandela.

Mandela died with that beatific smile on his face, unrepentant for the innocent blood on his hands—blood both of the born and the unborn. And one thing particularly abhorrent to God is the shedding of innocent blood. (AP, NBC News, Wikipedia, Backbencher-UK)

“THE POST-AMERICAN WORLD”

In the past 6 years with Barak Hussein Obama on center stage of American life,

he has made it increasingly clear that he wants to make drastic, fundamental changes in our nation's political and economic system. He preached this often when campaigning in 2008, and has demonstrated it since taking office. His goal in fundamentally changing our nation is to weaken us, politically, militarily, morally and economically. His dream seems to be all of the nations of the World, equally weak in all of these ways, with the UN in charge of us all. We are the only remaining super-power; but he wants to see that changed. He has consistently denied (or declined to comment on) American exceptionalism. When first in office he traveled the Middle East apologizing for America's wrongdoings. And, for 20 years he sat under the continuing indoctrination of America-hating, White-hating demagogue, Jeremiah Wright, the "clergyman" who urges people to pray and sing, "God **damn** America," the man whom Obama calls his spiritual mentor.

I have kept this photo of candidate Obama in my files since 2008, not sure that I should use it. But now I am sure. Look at the book he was reading then while campaigning, and he has his finger in the book as a hasty bookmark: "The Post-American World." The author of the book is a Bombay-born Indian-American journalist, Fareed Zacharia. He has been editor of "Foreign Affairs," the journal of the globalist Council on Foreign Relations (CFR); he is now an editor for "Newsweek International." (Sources numerous)



Bozeman, Mont., May 2008. Photo by Doug Mills of the New York Times. Note his ring, the subject of the following story.

THE MUSLIM WEDDING RING?

When Barak Hussein Obama was married, Michelle Robinson slipped a gold ring on his ring finger; he has worn it ever since as a wedding ring. But he had been wearing the same ring, and on the same finger, for at least 11 years before he met and married Michelle. She slipped it on (more accurately "back on") the same ring finger at their wedding in 1992. It appears to be a wedding band; but close inspection reveals something very different; and herein lies a controversy. Close inspection seems to reveal that, in its intricate design, there is Arabic writing; and,

according to some experts in Arabic, the writing translates to “There is no God but Allah.” This is the first half of the most fundamental declaration of Islamic faith; the second half is “and Mohammed is his prophet.” The complete declaration is called “the Shahadah” and it is the first of the 5 “Pillars of Islam,” something comparable to our Ten Commandments. The 5th and last “pillar,” incidentally, is Jihad.

Obama’s defenders, of course, say that the decorative scrolling on the ring is just that—decoration, or that it really says “There is no god but god” (a rather silly suggestion, it seems to me). On the other hand, a Duke University professor, who asked to remain anonymous, has said that the script on the ring is Arabic, and that it does include the first portion of the Shahadah, saying, “I think this is accurate.” Does this “prove” that Obama is a Muslim? No. But it seems to say that it is a thing dear to his heart, and important in his life, something he has demonstrated since taking office.

We should remember the speaking tour through the Middle East when he first took office, in which he criticized, and apologized for, America’s history, and praised Islam. He declared, “I have known Islam on three continents!” And when he speaks of “the Holy Koran” he speaks with Arabic accent, and obvious reverence. When asked by a New York Times journalist in 2008 about his Islamic education as a boy in Indonesia, Obama recited the Muslim call to prayer in Arabic, and with what the reporter called “a first rate accent.” On his apologetic tour in 2009, he declared, reverently, that the Muslim call to prayer “is one of the prettiest sounds on earth.” For obvious political reasons, he says that he is a Christian; but his “Christian” pastor and mentor for 20 years is a Marxist, America-hating, White-hating racist. And, as president, he has ignored Christian events and celebrated Ramadan and other Muslim observances in the White House. Is he a Muslim? Technically and literally, we cannot say; however, in his heart of hearts, I believe that he is. (WND/Blaze/NYT, et al)

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Figure 2. The Shahada, on Obama's ring (photo courtesy of WND.com)

Clockwise from top left, Obama as president, pondering.
Obama's ring with, apparently, "There is no god but Allah."



Obama at Occidental College 1981,
wearing the ring

THE BUDGET CUTS MILITARY RETIREE PAY!!!

In the current budget, there are no cuts for those who vote for a living, but don't work, there will be no reduction in their "welfare" payments, free cell phones and the extra checks for each illegitimate baby

On the other hand (I still find this hard to believe) the budget includes reductions in the retirement pay of servicemen, including those retired with disabilities! This should be unthinkable; but it is reality. While illegal aliens are receiving welfare, free smart phones and housing subsidies, with no reductions, the spending is reduced at the expense of retired warriors. This is entirely in keeping with Obama's worldview, and his total lack of understanding of, or caring about, the sacrifices of our service men and women. It is entirely in keeping with his plan, early in his first term, to have wounded and disabled service men and women pay for their own medical care! He suggested that they are selfish because they don't! Which planet did this guy come from? And, as this is being written, he and his family are in Air Force One, winging their way in luxury that our warriors and veterans will never get near, for a Hawaii vacation in an ocean-front house that costs \$24,500 a week; and you, I, and our retired warriors are paying for it. As they luxuriate at our expense, our retirees, including the blind, amputees, burned, brain-damaged and mentally crippled, make plans to live on less. (Stars and Stripes, WT, Forbes, Fox News, et al)

A NOTEABLE QUOTE

"This [the Obama administration] is the most closed, control-freak administration I've ever covered." (David Sanger, veteran Washington reporter for the very-liberal New York Times)

THREE MARINES SLAUGHTERED BY A SEX SLAVE

Although the Koran forbids homosexual acts, sodomy is extremely common among Muslim men, and the selling of little boys into sexual slavery is a thriving industry in Afghanistan. I find this contradiction interesting, and I view it as a natural outworking of the deep darkness of that evil religion. Recently three young Marines in Afghanistan were slaughtered by a sex slave (“tea boy”) of the police chief of the village where the Marines were based, in Forward Operating Base (FOB) Delhi. The police chief, charged with security at the base, is also engaged in the buying and selling of boys, and he has several of his own. He is also involved in the drug trade.

Lance Corporal Greg Buckley, stationed in Hawaii, volunteered for duty in Afghanistan, to take the place of a buddy, on orders for Afghanistan, who was injured. He was not at FOB Delhi long before he saw the situation there, and wrote to his parents that he didn’t think he would live to come home

He was right. On a recent night he and three other Marines were lifting weights in their small gymnasium. Because of the “rules of engagement” they were not allowed to have weapons on the base, because it “offended the Afghans.” The Afghani police they were training there, however, were all armed.

The Marines were unarmed when the Afghani police chief sent one of his young sex slaves to the gym with an AK-47 and orders to “kill as many Marines as possible.” The 15-year-old “tea boy” walked into the gym, immediately opened fire, killing Greg and two others; a fourth Marine was hit 5 times and left for dead, but survived with one useless arm. No charges have been filed against the evil police chief. (WND, Fox News, CNN, PBS)



Lance

Corporal Gregory Buckley, Jr, victim of politically correct rules of engagement, and wanton endangerment, by the Obama administration

Marty's Corner

When you see or hear a person or policy described as *Progressive*, be on guard and put on the whole armor of God. It's a pervasive philosophy that has reached fruition although the movement began over 100 years ago. It rejects the Founding Fathers' viewpoint as naive and unhistorical in both political and Christian spheres of influence. In their view, freedom is not a gift of God or nature. They contend that everything of value to human life is made by man and conclude that there are no permanent standards of right...or wrong. Thus, today we see the President, Governor or Mayor ignoring laws (or creating their own without consent of Congress or Legislations) and becoming despots while embracing socialism where the few govern the multitude.

The Bible is the absolute truth and foundation for our Christian faith and living. Similarly the Constitution is the ultimate legal document and foundation of America. While there are specific legal methods for amending the Constitution and thereby addressing present day issues, it is not a "living document" as is being taught in most American schools. One can't pick and choose which parts of the Bible one believes or doesn't believe and one can't pick and choose which parts of the Constitution he or she will adhere to and which will be ignored. If that occurs, there is chaos.

As James Madison noted, men are not angels, and because we are not angels we need both some government (or else the strongest lawless man wins) and limited government (or the government becomes the lawless strong man). The United States Constitution was (and still is) the first best government plan in the world because its checks and balances were designed with human nature in mind. When the Constitution's words are no longer seen as binding, it can no longer fulfill the Founding Fathers' belief that we not only have liberty but duties. Government for free men is therefore always and fundamentally in the service of the individual, not the other way around as Progressives' brainwashing would have you suppose.

AN HONOR GUARD FOR LITTLE CODY

Cody Green was a 12-year-old boy in Indiana who had struggled with leukemia since he was 22 months old. He had battled the disease into remission 3 times; but the chemotherapy had weakened his immune system, and he developed a fungus infection in his brain. He wanted to be a Marine, and his mother said that he drew strength and courage from his association with Marines. Two weeks before Cody died, local Marines declared him an honorary United States Marine, and presented him with Marine Corps Navigator wings. The night of his death, one of the Marines, Sergeant Mark Dolfini, stood for 8 hours as an honor guard, at the foot of Cody's bed in the ICU. For Cody's funeral, his coffin was flag-draped, and military honors were provided by local Marines. (Fox News, et al)



A WOMAN'S PURSE STOLEN-TRUE STORY

A woman in Brunswick, Georgia recently reported to police that her purse had been stolen from her car, parked in front of her house on Hornet Drive. According to the police report, the purse was valued at \$400, her wallet was valued at \$200, and the woman said that there was \$800 cash in her wallet. Also taken were the woman's food stamp cards. I'm not making this up. (Brunswick [Georgia] News)

MILESTONES

Born

28 Sept – **Jackson Gabriel Riggs**, to Lori and Gabe Riggs at 7 Lbs 9 Oz, in Louisville, Ky. Lori is the daughter of Ron and Beth Beaton, longtime dear Christian friends, of Paducah, Ky.

23 Oct – **Sadie Grace Lee**, to Nina and Dr Nathan William Lee, at 8 Lbs 6 Oz in Richmond, Va. Nathan is the son of Bill and Diana Lee, longtime dear Christian friends in Leesburg, Va. Bill is this ministry’s web master.

18 Nov – **Samuel Jarvis Mendoza**, to our granddaughter, Katie Jarvis Mendoza and Carlos Mendoza, at 6 Pounds, 15 Ounces in Ocean Springs, Miss. Katie is the daughter of our daughter, Susan Jarvis, and her husband Pat.

Died

16 Oct – **Betty Ruth Wade Reynolds**, dear, long-time Christian friend, in Princeton, Indiana. For years I enjoyed teaching in a Bible study group, led by Betty Ruth and her husband Mott, in their home in Poseyville, Indiana.

21 Oct – **Larry Weber**, in Olney, Illinois. Larry was a genuine, loving, man of God, and the very first person ever to call me on Veterans’ Day to thank me for my service in the Marine Corps. He continued to do this every year until losing his battle with cancer.

23 Oct – **Dorothy (Holland) Warren**, in Hardin, Ky. She was the mother of long-time friend and Bible teacher, Bob Warren, and the widow of Glenn Warren, a veteran of the World War II beach assault at Normandy.

26 Nov – **William Stevenson**, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Bill was a quiet, unassuming giant—not physically, but in character, intellect, imagination and achievement. He was a Royal Navy pilot in World War II, a world-traveling journalist, writer, historian, and the husband of Monika Jensen-Stevenson, crusader for our abandoned POWs and author of “Kiss the Boys Goodbye” (Bill co-authored this one) and “Spite House.” Bill wrote hundreds of newspaper and magazine articles, and a variety of excellent books, fiction and non-fiction, including “A Man Called Intrepid,” “90 Minutes at Entebbe” and, most recently, his autobiography, “Past to Present, A Reporter’s Story of War, Spies, People and Politics.” Bill and Monika have been my good friends for many years.

A FINAL WORD

Treasure and use each day as if it were your last, and never give up hope; God has a limitless supply of new beginnings, and He makes beautiful things out of broken pieces.

You are precious,

(Sources: AP-Associated Press; BBC-British Broadcasting Corp.; BP-Baptist Press; Fox (Fox News); Brightbart-Breitbart News; FOF-Focus on the Family; FRC-Family Research Council; HE-Human Events; HC-History Channel; IMG-Israel My Glory; JP-Jerusalem Post; LAT-L.A. Times; NA-New American Magazine; NM-NewsMax.com; NR-Natioinal Review; NW-Newsweek; NYP-New York Post; NYT-New York Times; ONN-OneNewsNow; PWB-Pastors' Weekly Briefing; USAT-USA Today; VOM-Voice of Mar