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THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN

TEN CONCORD AVENUE • WILMINGTON, DELAWARE 19802 • (302) 654-6279

December 1, 1981

Mr. Morton Blackwell
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Blackwell,

Following our telephone conversation, I am enclosing copies of the letters I have sent to Fred Fielding and Admiral Nance. Thank you very much for your interest and help in bringing the Padmores' problem to the attention of people who can help. I shall let you know how it all works out. All of our people at St. John's know of your assistance and join me in expressing our deep appreciation to you and we ask the Lord's blessing on you and your work.

Sincerely,

Jeanne H. Linderman

The Rev. Jeanne H. Linderman
Cathedral Chaplain

THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN

Pairlene E. and G. Arthur Padmore, Jr. and their three daughters reside at:

39 Springhouse Court
Valley Run
Wilmington, Delaware, 19810



THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN

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December 1, 1981

The Hon. James Nance
Acting Advisor, National Security Council
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Admiral Nance,

On the recommendation of Mr. Morton Blackwell, I am writing to you in the hope that you can assist us with a critical problem involving one of our Cathedral families, Mr. and Mrs. G. Arthur Padmore, Jr. and their three daughters. Mrs. Paarlene E. Padmore was granted political asylum here in March, 1981, because her father, Harmon Carey Thomas, was one of the government officials killed in the coup that occurred in Liberia in April, 1980. Her husband and children are with her under the terms of the asylum. In an unprecedented and shocking reversal, the Immigration and Naturalization Service has notified her that her asylum is to be revoked. As a congregation, we are appalled that our members could be returned to a situation in which their lives would be in peril. We are trying to contact everyone in government who can help us. We hope that through your office, pressure can be brought to bear on the INS.

The Padmores have been an integral part of our congregational life, serving in choirs, altar guild, lector and on the Board of Cathedral Community Services. They have been members of our community since July, 1980.

We are anguished to think that one of our families could be ripped from our midst and sent back to Liberia where under the present regime, they would be exposed to harassment, imprisonment or death. Please help us by speaking to those persons in the INS who could effect a reversal of this order.

I thank you in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Jeanne H. Linderman
The Rev. Jeanne H. Linderman
Cathedral Chaplain

cc: Mr. Morton Blackwell



THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN

TEN CONCORD AVENUE • WILMINGTON, DELAWARE 19802 • (302) 654-6279

November 30, 1981

Mr. Frederick Fielding
Office of the White House Counsel
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Fielding,

I am writing to you out of a deep concern for the well-being of one of the families in our Cathedral church. Mr. Morton Blackwell suggested that you might be able to help us. Mrs. Pairlene E. Padmore, her husband, G. Arthur Padmore, Jr., and their three daughters are refugees from Liberia. They have been members of the Cathedral since July of 1980. Mrs. Padmore was granted political asylum here in March, 1981, because her father, Harmon Carey Thomas, was one of the government officials who was arrested, killed and buried in an unknown grave during the coup in Liberia in April of 1980. In an unprecedented action, the Immigration and Naturalization Service has recently given notice of intent to revoke her political asylum status. We are appalled at the injustice and insensitivity of this action. As a congregation we are trying to contact everyone in Washington who could help in reversing this decision. We hope you will assist us.

The Padmores are deeply involved in the life of our community. Mrs. Padmore serves on the Altar Guild, sings in the Choir and teaches in the Church School. Arthur Padmore is a Lector and will serve on the Board of Cathedral Community Services. Their daughters sing in the Girls' Choir.

It is a matter of anguish to us to think that one of our families could be ripped from our midst and sent back to Liberia where, under the present regime, they would be subject to harrassment, imprisonment or death. Please help us by speaking to those persons in the INS who could effect a reversal of this order.

I thank you in the name of Jesus Christ.

Jeanne H. Linderman

The Rev. Jeanne H. Linderman

cc: Morton Blackwell

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 23, 1981

Dear Mr. Kamo:

I am writing to inform you that I have asked White House Counsel Fred Fielding to communicate to the Justice Department your organization's request for a speaker on Administration criminal justice concerns.

If I can be of further assistance to you, please contact me.

Sincerely,



Morton C. Blackwell
Special Assistant to the President

Stan F. Kamo
1009 Nicollet Mall
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55403

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 21, 1981

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED FIELDING

FROM: MORTON C. BLACKWELL 

SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATION SPEAKER FOR NATIONAL INTERRELIGIOUS
TASK FORCE ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE

This group, which is associated with the National Council of Churches, has requested a Justice Department speaker on the topic of the Administration's criminal justice concerns. I would appreciate your considering forwarding their request to the Justice Department.

I have attached their letter to me.

Thank you very much for your assistance.



National Interreligious Task Force on Criminal Justice
 475 Riverside Drive • Room 903 • New York, N.Y. 10115 • (212) 870-3105



2 November 1981

Mr. Morton C. Blackwell
 Special Assistant to the President
 The White House
 Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Blackwell,

The National Interreligious Task Force on Criminal Justice will again be meeting in Washington, D.C. on May 10, 11 and 12.

We anticipate that about 25 religious denominations and bodies will be represented who have an interest in criminal justice issues.

We welcome the opportunity of meeting with you for an hour during one of those three days. We are interested in hearing about some of the major concerns of The President's administration in criminal justice. We would also appreciate an opportunity of sharing some of our thoughts and questions at the same time.

Please let me know of your availability. Because of this early date, we can structure our agenda around a date and time of your selection. I will also, of course, be happy to provide more information about the group and answer questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Stan F. Kano

Stan F. Kano
 Chairman
 1009 Nicollet Mall
 Minneapolis, Minnesota 55403

Shall we schedule?
ask through Fielding's off. ask Justice to provide number.

call + explain that this what? need input?

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 29, 1981

TO: Dodie Livingston

FROM: Morton Blackwell

This was forwarded to us and we checked with Tom Jones and we were informed that September 30 has never been designated by the President as Bible Translation Day.

Thus, would it be possible to please send a Presidential message to this group.

Please forward copies to our office and to Ed Meese's office.

Thank you.



Messengers of Christ

LUTHERAN BIBLE TRANSLATORS, INCORPORATED

Post Office Box 5566, Orange, California 92667 • (714) 639-2850

August 18, 1981

Mr. Edward Meese III
White House
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Meese,

Since you are a member of the Lutheran Church, you probably have heard of Lutheran Bible Translators, a ministry which is involved with translation projects in approximately 15 nations.

For quite a number of years now, September 30 has annually been designated by the President of the United States as Bible Translation Day. That proclamation has helped to accent the continuing need for translation of unwritten languages even as it has helped to make people aware of the importance of Bible translation.


We would be interested in knowing whether President Reagan intends to issue a proclamation this year and whether any quotations are available from the President's office regarding such a proclamation. If such materials are available we would appreciate receiving any comments from the President's office which would be supportive of Bible translation endeavors, and we would appreciate permission to use such quotes in our periodical, Messengers of Christ, and other printed matter.

I am enclosing, for your information, a copy of a brochure about the work of Lutheran Bible Translators and a replica copy of a portion of a recently published New Testament in Papua New Guinea.

To be sure, we thank you for your attention to this matter and we pray that the Holy Spirit will bless your special ministry. More particularly, we pray for you and the President that the blessings of Romans 15:13 may be yours --

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."

Sincerely,


Rev. Kenneth Kilian
Director of Development

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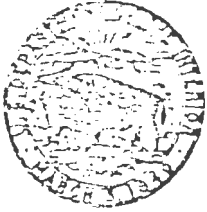
THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 4, 1981

The attached has been sent to:

Jospeh Hargrove
Dr. Ben Armstrong
Mrs. Roger Jepsen
Rev. Donald Shea
Dr. James Johnson
Rev. Richard Hogue
Mr. Robert Dugan
Rev. Jerry Falwell
Ed McAteer
Robert Pittenger
Dr. Ron Godwin
Pat Robertson
Rabbi David Ben Ami
Dr. Saint George Crosse
Paul Weyrich
Rev. James Robison
Herb Ellingwood
Rev. Edward V. Hill
Gary Jarmin
Bill Billings

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION
1100 OHIO DRIVE, S. W.
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20002

NCR-71

PUBLIC GATHERING PERMIT

82-88

Date: December 31, 1981

In accordance with Park Regulations as contained in C.F.R., Title 36, Chapter 1, Section 50.19, permission is granted to conduct a public gathering to the following:

SOCIETY OF SEPARATIONISTS, INC./AMERICAN ATHEISTS
(Person(s) and/or Organization(s))

Date(s) April 11, 1982

Time: Starting: 9 a.m. Ending: 12 noon

Location(s) White House sidewalk

Purpose(s) Picketing for the Civil Libertarian rights of American Atheists.

Anticipated Number of Participants 35-150

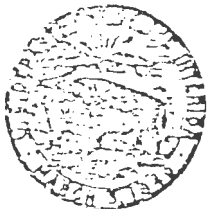
Person(s) in Charge Jon Murray

Address(es) 2210 Hancock Dr., Austin, TX 78756

Telephone Nos. Day (512)458-1244 Evening same

This permit is granted subject to the following conditions:

1. Permittee and all participants authorized herein must comply with all of the conditions of this permit and with all reasonable directions of the United States Park Police.
2. All sidewalks, walkways, and roadways must remain unobstructed to allow for the reasonable use of these areas by pedestrians, vehicles, and other park visitors.



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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 27, 1981

TO: Dodie Livingston's office

FROM: Morton Blackwell's office

Room 191, x. 2657

Could you please send a Presidential message to this gentleman as soon as possible?

Thank you.

As noted from the telegram, the name and address are:

Dr. James E. Hamill
First Assembly of God Church
255 North Highland
Memphis, Tenn. 38111

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH:RD
255 NORTH HIGHLAND
MEMPHIS TN 38111



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MR MORTON C BLACKWELL
SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON DC 20500

DEAR MORTON,

AS PER OUR TELEPHONE CONVERSATION LAST WEEK THE TELEGRAM TO DR JAMES
E HAMILL FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE WHITE HOUSE IS VERY MUCH
APPROPRIATE DR HAMILL IS AN ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORTER OF THE PRESIDENT
OTHER TELEGRAMS WILL BE SENT TO HIM FROM THE GOVERNOR AND FROM THE
CITY AND COUNTY MAYORS OF MEMPHIS AND SHELBY COUNTY AND OTHER CIVIC
AND CHURCH LEADERS DR HAMILL HAS BEEN THE PASTOR OF THE FIRST
ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH OF MEMPHIS FOR 37 YEARS HE IS THE PRODUCER OF
THE FIRST LOCAL WEEKLY RELIGIOUS TELECAST IN THE MID SOUTH HE HAS
HOSTED CHRIST IS THE ANSWER TELEVISION WEEKLY ON WHBQ TV FOR 26 YEARS
HE IS A DENOMINATIONAL LEADER AND DEAN OF PASTORS IN MEMPHIS YOUR
ASSISTANCE MORTON IN THIS MATTER WILL BE VERY IMPORTANT TO ME
REP RALPH DUNCAN STATE CAPITOL NASHVILLE TN 37219

17:16 EST

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NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN THE U.S.A.

DIVISION OF OVERSEAS MINISTRIES

475 Riverside Drive, New York N.Y. 10115 Cable: Dominicus
M. William Howard, President Claire Randall, General Secretary

Eugene L. Stockwell
Associate General Secretary
for Overseas Ministries
(212) 870-2175

Paul F. McCleary
Associate Secretary
(212) 870-2257

December 8, 1981

Mr. Morton Blackwell
Old Executive Office Building
17th Street and Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.
Washington, D. C., 20510

Dear Mr. Blackwell

On behalf of the delegation of the National Council of Churches that was privileged to meet with you on November 10, following our return from a trip to El Salvador, I want to thank you very much for the kindness you showed us in sharing both time and thought regarding the position of our nation in relation to El Salvador.

As we talked with you and others in Washington that day we sensed an openness to hear what we wanted to present and though at some points there may have been disagreements we were extremely appreciative of the opportunity you helped provide.

It has been about a month now since we met you and we have been following carefully recent developments in relation to El Salvador and the wider Central America area. We would urge consideration of the viewpoints we expressed to you in the hope that soon the El Salvador war may end and there may be a return to a reasonably peaceful political situation there.

Again, many thanks for your courtesies to us.

Cordially yours,

Eugene L. Stockwell
Associate General Secretary

ELS/dg
cc: Jane Leiper

To Mason

Date 1/12 Time _____

WHILE YOU WERE OUT

M Joyce Curry

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Phone 632-4780

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Message The Religious Conference
will be at State
3 P.M. Monday January
18 C + 22nd St. in house
There will only be 10 to 12 people
she wants to talk with you
on this

Operator



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

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You will be in
Dallas
Jan 8
regrets 1/15-

January 13, 1982

Mr. Morton Blackwell
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Morton:

I do hope you are coming to the Secretary's briefing for religious leaders on Monday, the 18th, at 3:00. Come to the Diplomatic entrance on "C" street and we'll escort you up to the conference room.

Enclosed is a copy of the telegram sent to the leaders and the list that was used, designed to yield 10 attendees. I followed your advice and called Bob Dugan. We came up with a list from which this one was distilled. Hope you don't see any glaring errors in it.

Thank you so much for your great courtesy when I came to see you last week. Everyone here was just delighted at your generosity in helping with the lists.

Very truly yours,

Joyce Curry
Joyce Blair Curry



INVITATION LIST FOR SECRETARY'S MEETING
WITH RELIGIOUS LEADERS ON POLAND
(JANUARY 18, 3:00 PM)

The Right Rev. John M. Allin, Presiding Bishop
Episcopal Church
815 Second Avenue
New York, NY 10017

Bishop Ralph Alton, Presiding Bishop
United Methodist Church
100 Maryland Ave., N.E.
Washington, DC

Dr. James Andrews, Stated Clerk
Presbyterian Church, US
341 Ponce de Leon Avenue
Atlanta, GA 30308

Bishop James Armstrong
President, National Council of Churches
1100 West 42nd
Indianapolis, IN 42602

Dr. Ralph Bohlman
Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod
500 North Broadway
St. Louis, MO 63102

Bishop Edwin Broderick, Executive Director
Catholic Relief Services
1011 1st Avenue
New York, NY 10022

Dr. Robert Campbell
American Baptist Churches in US
Valley Forge, PA 19481

Dr. Billy Graham
1300 Harmon Place
Minneapolis, MN 55403

Rev. Archbishop Iakovos
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of N&S America
New York, NY 10021

John Cardinal Krol
Diocese of Philadelphia
222 North 17th Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Dr. David Preus
The American Lutheran Church
422 South Fifth Street
Minneapolis, MN 55415

Archbishop John R. Roach
President, National Conference of Catholic Bishops
1312 Mass. Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC

Rabbi Alex Schindler
Union of American Hebrew Cong.
838 5th Avenue
New York, NY 10021

Rev. William Thompson
United Presbyterian Church in US
475 Riverside Drive
New York, NY 10027

Col. Walter F. Wichmanowski
U.S. Army Military Police School
Training Center
Ft. McClellan, Alabama 36205

- INVITATION TO MEET WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE
- ON THE SITUATION IN POLAND
- MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 3:00 PM

1. I INVITE YOU TO JOIN ME FOR A MEETING OF A SMALL GROUP OF AMERICAN CHURCH LEADERS TO DISCUSS THE SITUATION IN POLAND AND WAYS TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR THE POLISH PEOPLE. THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN MY CONFERENCE ROOM ON THE 7TH FLOOR OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT IN WASHINGTON AT 3:00 PM ON MONDAY, JANUARY 18.

2. PLEASE NOTIFY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE JOYCE CURRY, BUREAU OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS, TELEPHONE [202] 632-0969, WHETHER YOU WILL BE ABLE TO ATTEND. ON JANUARY 18, PLEASE ENTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT VIA THE DIPLOMATIC ENTRANCE, C AND 22ND STREETS, N.W. I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THEN.

3. SINCERELY, ALEXANDER M. HAIG, JR., SECRETARY OF STATE.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 11, 1982

Dear Mr. Prueher:

Mrs. Dole asked me to respond to your letter of February 8.

The Office of Public Liaison is the President's liaison to organized groups, including religious groups. Our office has had no dealings with the group you mention.

Thanks for sharing your views with us.

Sincerely,



Morton C. Blackwell
Special Assistant to the President

Terry N. Prueher
779 9th Ave., North
St. Petersburg, FL 33701

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779 9th Avenue North
St. Petersburg, FL. 33701

February 8, 1982

The Honorable Elizabeth Dole
Assistant to the President
for Public Liaison
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs. Dole:

I am writing this letter to you because my life, liberty and pursuit of happiness have been threatened by the Church of Scientology.

Enclosed with this letter are my report on The Danger of Scientology, a magazine article called Information Disease, and the Clearwater Chamber of Commerce's Statement of Position relative to Scientology.

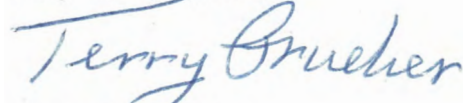
I contend that Scientology is a danger to the mental health of the population. And it is a criminal organization hiding behind the right to freedom of religion.

I am not the only one that thinks this way. Presently, there are over \$300 million worth of civil lawsuits against the Church of Scientology. Last year the Federal Government convicted 11 members of the Church of Scientology for federal crimes.

I believe there is a need for investigation and legislation against the Church of Scientology. So, the purpose of this letter is to urge you to initiate and promote legislation against the Church of Scientology.

What do you think can be done about this criminally dangerous organization?

Very truly yours,



Terry N. Prueher

National Prayer Breakfast

Non-Transferable

I will attend I will not attend _____

My spouse will attend My spouse will not attend _____

Admits will be sent to address given below.

Name Mr. & Mrs. Morton C. Blackwell
please print

Address The White House, Room 191 Old Executive
Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20500

Please return this card no later than January 16.

1321 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

December 29, 1981

The Honorable and Mrs. Morton Blackwell
Special Assistant to the
President for Public Liaison
The White House, Room 191, OEOB
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell,

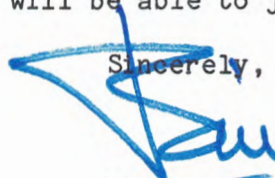
As national and international tensions continue to increase, reconciliation between individuals and nations seems more difficult. There is widespread desire for unity, and one effort toward this goal is the National Prayer Breakfast.

For many years, as you may know, the President, Members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives, and other leaders from throughout the nation have met at an annual breakfast for prayer and discussion in the Name of the Living God of the Bible. Once again this year we will all meet together at this breakfast, which is scheduled close to the opening session of Congress.

This year's National Prayer Breakfast will be held on Thursday, February 4, 1982 at 7:50 a.m. at the Washington Hilton Hotel in Washington, D. C. The U. S. Senate and House of Representatives Prayer Breakfast Committee will be inviting you to be their guests at this event. A formal invitation will be sent to you in January.

We genuinely hope that you will be able to join us.

Sincerely,



William L. Armstrong
United States Senate

COMMITTEE:

Senators -- William L. Armstrong, Chairman, David Boren, Lawton Chiles, Pete Domenici, David Durenberger, Mark Hatfield, Roger Jepsen, Richard Lugar, Sam Nunn, Jennings Randolph, Alan Simpson, and John Stennis.

Representatives -- Charles E. Bennett, Dan Coats, Bob McEwen, G. V. Montgomery, John Myers, Bill Nichols, Ike Skelton, Arlan Stangeland, Paul Tribble, Jr., Guy Vander Jagt, Charles Whitley, and James Wright, Jr.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 25, 1982

Dear Rev. Richardson:

Thank you for presenting me with petitions for President Reagan on the plight of the seven Russian Christians now living in the U.S. Embassy in Moscow. I have called them to the attention of the President.

I agree the Soviets must be pressured to at last release the Siberian Seven. The State Department is monitoring this situation closely.

Please feel free to forward to me any other information or suggestions you may have.

Sincerely,



Morton C. Blackwell
Special Assistant to the President

Rev. Carl Richardson
Keith & 25th St.
Cleveland, IN 37311

March 19, 1982

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Dear Miss Sutton:

Mr. Robert Billings has brought to our attention your letter to him about the students in your American History class.

The President thanks you for asking him to address your students by amplified telephone conference. Because he receives so many similar requests from schools throughout the country, however, and his heavy official schedule demands will not allow him to honor them all, the President feels he must, in complete fairness, regret each one. He does plan to send a message to the young men and women you now are teaching, though, and this will come in your care just as soon as it is possible.

The President sends you his very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Gregory J. Newell
Special Assistant
to the President

Miss Coletta Sutton
Grace Baptist Church
476 Summit Street
Portland, ME 04103

cc and incoming: Pat Gleason and Morton Blackwell

Letterhead copy to:

The Honorable Robert Billings
Under Secretary of Education
Washington, D.C. 20202

GJN:MHR:ds--



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20202

1/23/82
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

March 1, 1982

Pat
TO: Morton Blackwell
FROM: Bob Billings *Bob*
SUBJECT: Grace Baptist Church

The attached letter came to my office this week and, although I feel that the request would be hard to fulfill, I thought I would pass it on to you for advice and counsel.

I will be glad to answer the letter, but I feel it would be much more effective if an answer came from the White House.

Thanks.

RB/dg
Enclosure

FEB 23 1982

February 17, 1982

Mr. Robert Billings
Under Secretary of Education
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Billings:

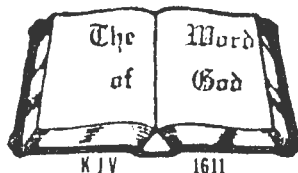
The reason for this letter is that I need some advice. My name is Coletta Sutton, secretary to Rev. Harry Boyle in Portland, Maine. In addition to working under him as secretary, I also teach U.S. American history for our high school.

I have 24 young men and women who are learning what it means to be privilege citizens, (i.e. to vote for leaders, pray, travel freely in the United States, etc.). One significant point in their favor is to watch them regain respect and confidence in their national leader's position, the Presidency. After the shakey efforts of previous presidents, the students now have a leader who represents a standard of integrity, strength and concern for them and their parents.

I have said all that to ask this, would it be possible for Mr. Reagan to call my history class on the telephone? Our telephone system is such that his voice can be heard over a speaker in our Conference room.

I feel strongly as a teacher and as a citizen, that this measure of kindness from my president would do more towards helping my students become more interested in helping our wonderful nation remain free and true to God. What better way to teach a two-fold message in their young lives!

1. God is never so busy as to be unaware and insensitive to our needs.
2. Our President, who is a direct representation of God's authority in our government, is busy, but can still take a moment to respond to someone's need.



Mr. Robt. Billings
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I know you can advise me as to how to proceed in this matter and shall be waiting earnestly for your reply.

I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

Coletta Sutton

Coletta Sutton



COLETTA SUTTON
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 24, 1982

Dear Mr. Melvin:

I am glad the response has been good from the leaders you contacted in Washington to Valuing Analysis. I think you have a good program.

Please keep me posted of any developments.

Sincerely,



Morton C. Blackwell
Special Assistant to the President

Arthur I. Melvin
Century III Foundation
330 Oak Brook Rd.
Oak Brook, IL 60521

How do you
want to
respond

"Short response
"Glad response has
~~been~~ been good
Keep me posted."

Century III Foundation

330 Oak Brook Road/Oak Brook/Illinois/60521/(312)654-3000

Arthur I. Melvin, PhD./Executive Director

February 2, 1982

Dr. Morton Blackwell
Special Assistant to the President
Old Executive Office Building - #191
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Dr. Blackwell:

Thank you for adjusting your schedule on that snowy 14th day of January to audit our summary of Valuing Analysis. We believe this program is an effective means to facilitate communication between groups in dealing with issues and solving problems.

Fifteen years of research and testing in communities and organizations nationwide provide scientific validation that 80-90% of all citizens -- self-identified by almost every possible label -- agree on the essential, inter-related principles which comprise a common moral standard of acceptable behavior. However, such agreement becomes apparent only after individuals have had the opportunity to consider the logical consequences of adequate alternatives.

When a person discovers for himself this common norm, he begins to recognize how to deal with issues more effectively. More and more thoughtful leaders realize that top priority must be given to help individual citizens and youth, as well as leaders, become aware of the latent matrix of moral common sense within themselves, presently smogged over with confused cultural conditioning.

Our evidence reveals that this moral valuing standard supports traditional Judeo-Christian values. The critical element in communication between groups is that one does not impose his dogma, no matter how right, on others, but permits them their own God-given freedom and reason to discover this common norm from which they cannot easily escape.

The almost unanimous positive response to the Valuing Analysis approach gives us confidence it is only a matter of time before its broad implementation.

Consider how helpful it would be if the President could confidently refer to an objective data bank of current evidence that identifies a common moral standard for action and judgment which has been recorded by scientific measurement as the deliberate consensus of citizens representing all labels in our society. He could clearly outline how his proposals are consistent with the principles that they believe to be necessary and right.

We met with enthusiastic response from the leaders we contacted in Washington. They are interested in participating in a pilot Valuing Analysis session soon in


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the capitol.

Do you have suggestions of others who should be invited?

Would you be interested in participating?

Sincerely,



Arthur I. Melvin

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Wheaton Graduate School

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June 7, 1982

Ms. Maiselle Shortley
Office of Mr. Morton Blackwell
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. Shortley:

Thank you very much for your help in arranging our visit to see Mr. Blackwell.

I'm enclosing a copy of our entire itinerary so that you can see how our session with Mr. Blackwell fits into the entire program. Our session in your office was one of the highlights of the seminar in 1980, and we are all anticipating that this will be the case this year as well.

The students generally come primed with questions and you need not feel that you have to prepare an hour-long orientation for these students. I'm sure they will interact enthusiastically and appreciatively.

If there is any outside chance of our being a part of one of the special White House tours even at this late date, we'd certainly appreciate your attempting to arrange this if at all possible.

I'm looking forward to meeting you on Thursday, June 17 at 10:00 a.m.

Sincerely,

Glenn F. Arnold, jag

Glenn F. Arnold, Ph.D.
Chairman
Communications Department

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June 17 - 10am

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United States Senate
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

April 25, 1982

Mr. Morton Blackwell
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Morton:

I'm writing in behalf of the Wheaton Graduate School of Communications, which as you probably know is an Evangelical college outside of Chicago. Ten Wheaton graduate students, and their professor, Dr. Glenn Arnold, are interested in a briefing on your role as a liaison between the Reagan Administration, and the religious community. They'd particularly appreciate an appointment anytime before 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 17. However, they'll be in Washington most of the week, so if you could squeeze them in any time during your busy schedule, they'd be most appreciative.

Thanks for any way in which you can accommodate these graduate students.

Sincerely,

CHARLES E. GRASSLEY
United States Senate

CEG:bhk

*Bev Blackwell
224-1308*

Can you help?

*Confirmed for June 17 - at 10am
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*They will send us a letter with
names for clearance.*



Wheaton Graduate School

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*June 17
10am*

May 24, 1982

Mr. Morton Blackwell
Liason to Religious Communities
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20050

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

Thank you very much for your willingness to meet with my journalism seminar on Thursday June 17 at 10 a.m.

I'm enclosing a copy of the class roster with Social Security numbers. If there are additional enrollments, I'll get these to you as soon as possible.

In June 1980, we had an excellent session with the Rev. Robert Maddox. He gave us an overview of the interaction your office has with religious groups in the country. He also arranged for one of the staff from the President's press secretary's office to interact with us for part of the time.

Would it be possible to arrange a tour of the White House for our group that same morning of Thursday June 17? I believe last time we were in Washington, your office arranged a VIP tour first thing in the morning prior to our meeting with your office.

My students and I are looking forward with enthusiasm to meeting you and learning more about the relationships between religious communities and the present administration.

Sincerely,

Glenn F. Arnold, Ph.D.
Chairman
Communications Department

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Re: Carter

September 13, 1982

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Dear Mr. Bartlett:

On behalf of the President, I would like to thank you for the letter of September 3 which you and your associates, Concerned Religious Leaders of Utah, sent to him discussing various important issues and requesting an opportunity to meet with him during his visit to Utah September 10.

Although the President would have enjoyed meeting with you and your colleagues, unfortunately, due to the heavy schedule planned for this visit to Utah, it was not possible to add this meeting to his calendar. However, I am forwarding your letter to the appropriate office for further review.

The President sends to you and your associates his warm best wishes.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM K. SADLEIR
Director, Presidential
Appointments and Scheduling

The Reverend Jan Robert Bartlett
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cc: Elizabeth Dole w/incoming

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AN OPEN LETTER TO:

President Ronald Reagan
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20000

September 3, 1982

Dear Mr. President,

postponed to Sep. 10

It has just come to our attention that you will be coming to Utah on Tuesday, September 7 to campaign for Senator Orrin Hatch, and to view some of the Mormon relief and self-help programs near Ogden. As religious leaders of Utah's non-Mormon community, we would like to request a brief audience with you also to discuss the following:

1. VOLUNTARISM OR GOVERNMENT? While we applaud the emergency relief and self-help efforts of the L.D.S. Church, we are painfully aware that they do not and can not serve the needs of everyone: And neither can we, despite our joint efforts. All of our church agencies are swamped with demands running from two to four times their normal levels.

Instead of each denomination trying to meet the needs of its own people, and letting the unchurched go hungry, sick and cold, we have generally supported basic uniform services provided by government with professional expertise where needed, and supplemental services provided by church agencies to help the people who do not meet government criteria, or who need additional aid.

2. JOBS OR CHARITY? Telling people that "prosperity is just around the corner" does not help a young mother feed her children today. The unskilled, less gifted and unfortunate who are also God's beloved children continue to swell the ranks of the unemployed, and find little comfort in decreasing public service job training, placement, or employment. The growing diversion of funds for even their emergency help into fewer highly technical defense jobs further diminishes their livelihood.

We question the wisdom of trying to stimulate more jobs through general tax reductions for the wealthy, as opposed to tax incentives for such specifics as employing the hard core unemployed or retooling an outdated plant. We lament the inflationary effect of military spending that increases the national debt and pays large salaries while producing no consumer goods for those salaries to buy.

3. JUSTICE OR SELF-INTEREST? We question the righteousness of budget priorities which take from the needy to reward the wealthy. The Bible defines righteousness as deciding FOR the widow, the orphan and the sojourner or refugee.

President Reagan, 2

4. LIFE OR DEATH? Observing our nation's rapidly escalating arms buildup, we would like to ask:

- a. Whether our great desire for more first strike nuclear weapons is really needed for nuclear deterrence, or is an attempt to forestall Soviet ground advances with a threat of nuclear annihilation so complete as to prevent effective Soviet nuclear response.
- b. Whether we could actually destroy ALL Soviet land, sea and air-based missiles so totally as to prevent tens of millions of retaliatory American deaths.
- c. How "tactical" or "limited" nuclear wars can be kept from spreading into total holocausts.

Valuing ALL human life as we do—not just American lives—we find the apparent direction of our nation's defense strategy not only technically flawed but morally reprehensible in the eyes of God and of humankind. Most of our national church bodies have issued statements urging a halt to the arms race and a negotiated disarmament. We earnestly pray that our government will heed their voices before it is too late.

If the shortness of your visit precludes your meeting with us, will you please respond by letter?

Faithfully,

Rev. Jan Robert Bartlett

The Rt. Rev. E. Otis Charles

Chairman, Utah Clergy & Laity Concerned

Bishop, Episcopal Diocese of Utah

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SELECTED STATEMENTS ON THE ARMS RACE

AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES: "The General Board . . . communicates . . . its convictions that disarmament is a goal requiring the cooperation and efforts of Christians everywhere . . . and urging them to join in prayerful concern . . . and action . . ." 1978.

AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH: "Resolved, that the Church Council reaffirm its conviction that arms escalation and nuclear proliferation are against the best interest of the United States . . . since they threaten to diminish rather than enhance . . . security and peace." 1981.

THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH (*Disciples of Christ*): "Be it resolved, that the General Assembly . . . call upon . . . the Congress . . . to pursue with urgency a comprehensive ban on nuclear testing and effective limitations on the development, production, and sale of arms." 1979.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS: "We are enjoined by the word of God to 'renounce war and proclaim peace'." First Presidency, Christmas, 1980. "We deplore the use of nuclear weapons with their terrible potential for the destruction of life, property, and even civilization itself." First Presidency, Easter, 1981.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH: "Nuclear armaments . . . have created a world in which the whole can nowhere be protected . . . national security has reached the zero point." House of Bishops, 1980. "We . . . are requesting . . . a mutual nuclear weapons moratorium." 60 Episcopal bishops, 1980.

GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH: "If we are to insure that the military tragedies of the past are not to be repeated, it is vital that all efforts be made to de-escalate the arms race." 1978.

LUTHERAN CHURCH IN AMERICA: "Nuclear weapons . . . can only undermine security . . . the United States should be encouraged to undertake such unilateral initiatives as may contribute . . . to the limitation of arms." 1970

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES: "The Governing Board . . . urges both the United States and the Soviet Union to halt the nuclear arms race now by adopting promptly a mutual freeze on all further . . . production." 1981

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH: "Any act of war aimed indiscriminately at the destruction of entire cities . . . is a crime against God." II Vatican Council, 1965. "Not only is it wrong to attack civilian populations but it is also wrong to threaten to attack them as part of a strategy of deterrence." National Council of Catholic Bishops, 1976.

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (*Quakers*): "We request . . . immediate steps to initiate a bi-lateral freeze of the development, production, and deployment of all nuclear weapons." General Conference, 1981.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION: "We communicate . . . our strong support for multilateral nuclear arms control . . . and . . . commit ourselves to support nuclear arms control with prayer." 1979.

UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS: "In conformity with past resolutions calling for disarmament and responsible arms control . . . it is our sincere hope that future SALT agreements will significantly reduce armaments levels." General Assembly, 1979.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST ASSOCIATION: "Be it resolved . . . the 1981 General Assembly . . . join . . . in favor of a resolution requesting . . . a mutual nuclear weapons moratorium."

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST: "Be it resolved, the . . . General Synod . . . affirms a commitment to nuclear disarmament . . . even if this process must begin with unilateral initiative on the part of the United States." 1981

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH: "We believe war is incompatible with the teachings and example of Christ. We therefore reject war as an instrument of national foreign policy . . . and that the production, possession, or use of nuclear weapons be condemned." General Conference, 1980.

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U.S.A.: "The 193rd General Assembly endorses the 'Call to Halt the Nuclear Arms Race.'" 1981.

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES: "The Central Committee urges all nuclear powers to freeze immediately all further testing, production, and development of nuclear weapons . . ." 1980.

Community Affirmation

This affirmation was used in the Interreligious Worship Service held in New York, May 26, 1978 at St. Paul the Apostle Church.

We, who live in the shadow of the mushroom cloud,
We, whose very bones and lungs are threatened even now
by radioactivity,
Today declare hope in the future.

From the diversity of our religious traditions,
We have come to the United Nations from around the world
To renew our belief in the holiness of the earth and the
sanctity of all life.

We declare we are at peace with all people of good will.

We need no leader to define for us an enemy
Nor to tell us what we need security for
And defense against.

Instead we affirm that our earth's security rests not
in armaments, but
In the justice of adequate housing and food,
In the justice of meaningful education and work,
In the justice of an economic order that gives everyone
access to our earth's abundance,
In the justice of human relationships nourished by co-operation,
In the justice of safe, clean and renewable energy instead of
the perils of nuclear power.

We affirm people over property,
Community over privatism,
Respect for others regardless of sex, race or class.

We choose struggle rather than indifference,
We choose to be friends of the the earth and of one another
rather than exploiters,
We choose to be citizens rather than subjects,
We choose to be peacemakers rather than peacekeepers,
We choose a nuclear-free future,
And we will settle for nothing less.

We unite ourselves with sisters and brothers the world over
To join together in communities of resistance to the
nuclear threat.

We unite ourselves with trust in the Spirit of Life;
Justice and love can overcome the machines of destruction.

Before us today are set life and death.
We choose life
That we and our children may live.
Let it be so.



“Therefore choose life so that you and your
children will live . . .”

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Nuclear Threats to Human Survival

- ✈ Nuclear Weapons
(Design, Testing, Production, Storage, Deployment)
- ◆ Underground Experiments
- U University Reactors
- ⊖ Military and ERDA ('72) Reactors
and Research Facilities
Accounting for 50% (appr.) of All
Radioactive Waste
- ⊕ Nuclear Power Plants (Commercial).
Accounting for 50% (appr.) All Radioactive Waste
 - Under Construction
 - Operable
 - Planned
- Nuclear Industries
- △ Uranium Mill Tailings
- Transportation/Storage of
Radioactive Materials
- ⊞ Radioactive Waste Burial Grounds



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Map prepared in 1972 by L. Franklin Ramirez, and designed by Mercedes Navero. Information from Another Mother for Peace.



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Handwritten initials and scribbles in the top right corner.

Mr. Morton Blackwell
Special Assistant to the President
The White House

Dear Morton,
It was a pleasure meeting with you in Houston at the Roundtable luncheon.
I'm praying your predictions regarding the upcoming elections are accurate.

Further, I am working with several organizations to make some of the
victories happen.

Now, to refresh your memory--I wrote you a cover letter which apparently
was never read when I sent 5,000 letters favoring school prayer from
the Ft. Worth/Dallas area. We gathered these letters in a 10 day period
of local education.

Our conclusion, like the President's is that sentiment favoring prayer
is both broad and deep.

You mentioned in our meeting that I should have received a reply, but
since I haven't, you'd send a second letter through correspondence
for me.

Handwritten in red ink: "Love" with a signature.

Obviously since you can't reply to all of the individual writers, it
would be great for me to be able to assure them our voice was heard.

I look forward to working with you in the future on numerous projects
of common interest.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Ray Allen in blue ink.
Ray Allen, President
ACT Ministries

P.S. Attached is a duplicate of my earlier letter to President Reagan.

*Religious
Aves*

August 19, 1982

I welcome this opportunity to send warmest greetings to the annual Holy Convocation of the Church of God in Christ as you celebrate this Diamond Jubilee Year.

Our churches play a vital role in our American way of life, offering inspiration and guidance to their members and providing service to mankind. Your devotion to spiritual and ethical values has been a significant factor in American life, benefiting all citizens by helping to promote a morally secure society.

Today we must increasingly rely on individuals and communities helping one another, so it is more vital than ever that we all work together to assure a healthy spiritual climate in our country.

You have my heartfelt good wishes and every best wish for continued success and effectiveness in the future.

Sent to:

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