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# Christian Citizen

—Newsmagazine—

*File*

March 31, 1981

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

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

In accordance with my telephone conversation with your assistant this morning, I am enclosing a copy of the premiere issue of Christian Citizen Newsmagazine.

I was advised that you could possibly hand-deliver this newsmagazine to the President. We believe that he will be interested in it because it is a Christian publication that is politically oriented and extremely supportive of the President.

*sent Apr 17*

If, after looking over the publication, you feel you can do this for us, we shall be very grateful. A letter addressed to the President assuring him of our prayers is also enclosed and we will appreciate it if you can see that it is given to him.

A few weeks ago I talked with you about the possibility of being included when Mr. Reagan schedules press conferences of particular interest to the religious community. Jo Ann Gasper, whom I believe is a friend of yours, and who writes for us, will be in touch with you in that regard.

Thank you so much for whatever help you are able to give us.

Sincerely,

*Ann Bradley*

Ann Bradley (Mrs.)  
Editor

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enc.

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Morton Blackwell

# Christian Center Ministries

P.O. Box 10274  
Alexandria, VA 22310  
(703) 971-0555

— Located —

5411 Franconia Road  
Alexandria, VA 22310

Bennie R. Harris, Senior Pastor  
Orv Owens, PhD, Advisor  
Thomas C. McCulley, Director, C.C.S.  
Carol Morgan (Minister of Music)  
Paul Morgan, Associate - Youth  
Carroll (Chuck) Snyder, Senior Citizens, C.E.

September 28, 1982

President Ronald Reagan  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear President Reagan:

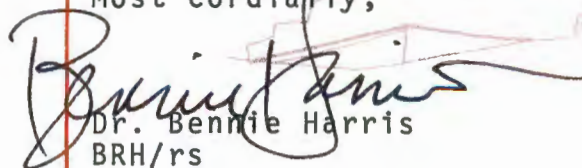
I greatly appreciated the invitation to be at the White House on September 25th to meet with you and Mrs. Reagan.

Your message made me feel very proud that you are our President. You spoke more than just mere words but heart-felt concern and conviction for the future of our nation...a nation that has always honored God.

I have prayed for you for many years since Reverend Clyde Hinson, who pastored in Sacramento in the days when you were Governor of California, spoke of you so highly.

I pastor a congregation of approximately 1,000 people and each Sunday your name is in our bulletin and we pray for you collectively as a congregation. As our President I can assure you of our continued support that God will sustain and undergird you.

Most cordially,



Dr. Bennie Harris  
BRH/rs

June 3, 1983

I am pleased to send greetings and congratulations to Lancaster Bible College in this 50th year of service.

The role of education has been paramount in our country's development and progress, and through the years Lancaster Bible College has provided quality education for thousands of students. The foundation of our country is based on traditional moral values, and your institution helps continue this tradition by emphasizing the scriptures, which remain all the more relevant in today's society.

As you pass this milestone and begin the next 50 years, Nancy and I wish you the very best for continued success, and again, congratulations.

Sincerely,

**RONALD REAGAN**

Sent To:  
Dr. Gilbert A. Peterson  
President  
Lancaster Bible College  
901 Eden Road  
Lancaster, Pennsylvania 17601

WHcc:  
The Honorable Robert S. Walker  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

RR:Hodge:--LIVING

cc:

K.Osborne/D.Livingston/B.Oglesby (FYI) /M.Blackwell (FYI) /CF  
Requested by Cong. Walker

*file*

# CHRISTIANITY TODAY

465 Gundersen Drive

Caroi Stream, Illinois 60187

(312) 260-6200

March 22, 1983

Mr. David Gergen  
Assistant to the President  
for Communications  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, DC 24514

Dear Mr. Gergen:

In the last few months, President Reagan has made a large impact on the evangelical Christian community in the United States. His speech before the National Religious Broadcasters convention was welcomed by the 40 million people in the United States who are evangelical Christians. His more recent address to the National Association of Evangelicals convention in Orlando, Florida, reinforced among the nation's Christians the belief that President Reagan stands for the moral beliefs that undergird historic Christianity.

CHRISTIANITY TODAY magazine is a biweekly publication that addresses itself to the evangelical Christian audience. It has a paid circulation of approximately 180,000. Its constituency cuts across a wide range of mainline Protestantism as well as independent Christian churches. Evangelical Christianity is not to be confused with fundamentalism, about which we read so much in the daily press.

I'm writing to request an interview with President Reagan that would be conducted by the magazine's editor, Gilbert Beers, and myself. We wish to question the President about his views on important moral issues currently before Congress, as well as his own moral beliefs as expressed in the recent speeches. Recently, our magazine conducted an interview with former President Carter, and I have enclosed a copy of that issue with this letter. I don't believe our interview with President Reagan would focus so closely on his personal faith because he has not made that a public issue as much as President Carter has. I believe we could conduct an efficient and productive interview in 45 minutes' time. The date of the interview, of course, would be at the President's convenience.

Gergen  
Page 2

I'm taking the liberty of forwarding a copy of this letter to Morton C. Blackwell, who has been made aware of our request to interview the President. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Tom Minnery  
News Editor

TM/de  
Enc.

cc: Morton C. Blackwell ~



P.O. Box 22755 San Diego, California 92122-0755

Phone: (619) 942-3196 Telex: TRT 231-140414

December 14, 1982

Mr. Morton C. Blackwell  
Special Assistant to the President

The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Blackwell,

Thank you for your continued interest and support of our ministry through National Christian Fellowship. Since we last met, in Louisville, Kentucky, several new Mayor's Prayer Breakfasts have been established, as well as the ongoing ministry of Fellowship Groups within Federal, State, and Local government buildings across our land. I hope to see you during the National Prayer Breakfast and related activities in February.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from Mike MacIntosh to Mr. Richard Morris. If you could assist in arranging a meeting with him and/or Mr. Morris, Mr. Clark, or the President, I am confident that it would be valuable in helping to resolve the issue of "The Siberian Seven". Mr. MacIntosh comes with my highest recommendation.

Once again, thank you for your friendship and interest in our work. We continue to support and pray for you on a regular basis.

May God guide and uphold you, the President, and this administration.

Sincerely,

David M. Courson  
National Director

Encl.

*Mike MacIntosh*

November 29, 1982

Mr. Richard Morris  
Special Assistant to the  
Assistant to the President

National Security Affairs  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Morris:

In January of this year I had the privilege of meeting with you in Washington concerning "The Siberian Seven" situation at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow.

I have a simple low-key suggestion which may resolve the issue and save face for the Soviet Union if a release would be a reality.

If you, Mr. Clark or the President feel it would be beneficial for us to discuss this matter, I am at your service as a neutral party and a concerned citizen.

Again, may I thank you for our time together in Washington and the telephone conversations we have had.

Awaiting your reply,

*Mike MacIntosh*

Mike MacIntosh

MM:pra

cc: Morton C. Blackwell  
Max Binswanger





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# THE GIDEONS

INTERNATIONAL  
OF NEW YORK STATE

A CHRISTIAN BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL MEN'S ASSOCIATION

Mrs. E. Wallace Ross  
377 Main Street  
East Aurora, N.Y. 14052

May 11, 1983

*M. Blackwell*

President Ronald Reagan  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Reagan:

Praise the Lord that we have a Christian President serving our nation!!!

As a member of the Gideons International, we were all so pleased to read your Proclamation declaring 1983 as "The Year of the Bible." I am sure you are aware that the proclamation was recently printed in our "Gideon" magazine.

In October of 1983, the Gideons of New York State are planning to hold our annual state convention in the Buffalo, New York area. As part of the weekend convention, we would like to hand out copies of your "Year of the Bible" proclamation to those attending. Would it be possible to get a copy of the original proclamation suitable for reproduction (for about 350-400 copies)? We are hoping to have the proclamation reproduced in a size and format that people could frame and hang on their walls.

If it is not possible to provide a copy, we would then proceed to have a reprint made from the Gideon magazine.

Thank you for your kind attention to this request. We will be awaiting a response from your office so we will know which way to proceed.

Again, thank you for honoring our Lord and his Holy Word with your proclamation.

Sincerely yours,

*Dorothy N. Ross*

Mrs. E. Wallace Ross (Dorothy)

*sent 6/6*

**CARDINAL'S RESIDENCE**

2101 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE  
BRIGHTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02135

February 10, 1983

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

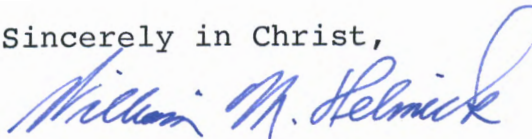
Dear Mr. Blackwell:

I am writing to acknowledge and thank you for your kindness in sending to His Eminence, Cardinal Medeiros, the copy of the remarks the President made at the Annual Convention of National Religious Broadcasters on January 31.

I will certainly bring these to the Cardinal's attention.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely in Christ,



Reverend William M. Helmick  
Secretary to the Cardinal

WMH/kw

ARCHDIOCESE OF SAINT PAUL AND MINNEAPOLIS

226 Summit Avenue

Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102

*Office of the Archbishop*

February 8, 1983

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

Dear Mr. Blackwell,

Thank you for your letter of February 1, 1983 with the enclosed copy of the President's remarks to the National Religious Broadcasters Convention. I had read excerpts of those remarks, but it was good of you to send me the entire transcript. Thank you again.

Sincerely yours,

+ John R. Roach

Most Reverend John R. Roach, D.D.  
Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

TO: Morton Blackwell

FROM: CHARLEY SHEPHERD  
PRESIDENTIAL CORRES.  
X 7610 Room 94

DATE: 10/13/82

Do you have any knowledge of the  
attached "School of Saints"? I would  
appreciate any assistance you can  
offer. Many thanks.

10/13/82



# School Of Saints

P.O. Box 1231  
Independence, Missouri 64051

September 23, 1982

Dear Mr. President:

We are preparing a book for children with emphasis on the fact that God is King of us all and that the leaders of countries are His servants to help the people in every way possible.

We sincerely believe that you are such a leader and I am wondering if it would be possible for you to take a few moments to send a short letter to the children which would encourage them to respect authority of leaders and of God. I know this would be much appreciated.

Sincerely,

*Norma A. Holik*

Norma A. Holik  
Executive Secretary

P.S. I personally feel you are trying to the best of your ability against the greatest odds, and that only with God's help can you fulfill the promises that you have made to the nation. Thus we do pray for you daily.

MOST REVEREND LAWRENCE J. RILEY, S.T.D.  
AUXILIARY BISHOP OF BOSTON



February 10, 1983

OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL BISHOP  
GREATER BOSTON REGION  
43 MAPLE STREET  
HYDE PARK, MASSACHUSETTS 02136

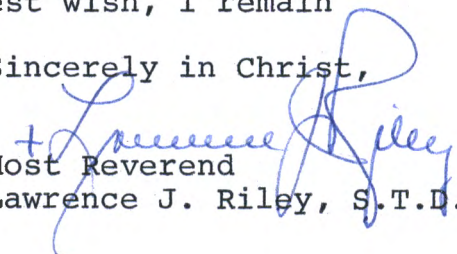
Mr. Morton C. Blackwell  
Special Assistant to the President  
for Public Liaison  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20013

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

Thank you very much for your kindness in sending me a copy of the address of the President to the National Religious Broadcasters Convention. I am happy to have the text of the President's remarks.

Asking an occasional remembrance in your prayers, and with every best wish, I remain

Sincerely in Christ,

  
Most Reverend  
Lawrence J. Riley, S.T.D.

LJR:kk

March 17, 1981

Dear Mr. Frick:

I have been asked to acknowledge your letter requesting an appointment with the President for 47 members of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) International Affairs Seminar to discuss relationships between Military Strength and World Peace.

Very regrettably, the President's schedule is full at that time. However, I am forwarding your letter to Mr. Cavaney in the Office of Public Liaison who will be in touch with you about the possibility of a member of the Domestic Policy Staff seeing you.

*Morton  
Please make  
contact  
JG*

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Gregory J. Newell  
Special Assistant  
to the President

The Reverend Murray A. Frick, Jr.  
Webster Groves Christian Church  
1320 West Lockwood Avenue  
St. Louis, MO 63122

cc & inc: Red Cavaney (WW)  
GJN:emb-12a

1) Copy for advice

# Webster Groves Christian Church

1320 W. LOCKWOOD AVENUE • ST. LOUIS, MO. 63122 • (314) 961-3232

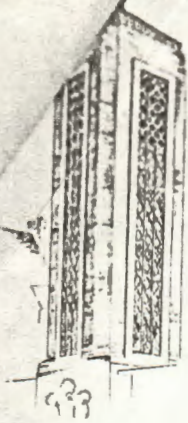
March 4, 1981

MINISTERS:

WILLIAM G. SHOOP

WILLIAM R. MOORE

MURRAY A. FRICK, JR.



Deputy Appointments Secretary  
President's Scheduling Office  
The White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

To Whom It May Concern:

I am the director of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) International Affairs Seminar. I will be bringing a group of 47 senior high students and adults to Washington as part of our Seminar from Saturday afternoon, April 4 to Tuesday, April 7. During that time we will be spending time on Capitol Hill and meeting with several interest groups.

We are focusing on the issues that threaten world peace and would like very much to be able to speak to the President concerning the relationships between Military Strength and World Peace. As the Head of our country and a dedicated churchman, this would be most meaningful to the future leaders we will have among us.

If this is impossible, would it be possible to speak with a member of the President's staff?

I anxiously await your response.

In His service,

Murray A. Frick, Jr.

MAF/pl







# Wheaton Graduate School

WHEATON, ILLINOIS 60187 • Communications Department

July 9, 1982

Ms. Maiselle Shortley  
Office of Mr. Morton Blackwell  
Old Executive Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. Shortley:

Thank you very much for all you did to arrange our excellent session with Mr. Blackwell when my journalism students and I were in Washington last month.

I also appreciated very much your securing my camera after I left it in the conference room. I lost one camera in 1980 after we visited the White House and I wouldn't have dared come home without this new one this time. Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,

Glenn F. Arnold  
Chairman  
Communications Department

GFA:jag

Mr. Morton Blackwell  
Presidential Assistant  
Old Executive Office Building  
Washington D.C. 20500

July 21, 1982

Dear Mr. Blackwell,

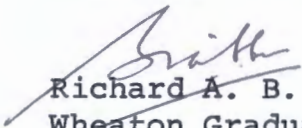
I am writing on behalf of the group of Communications students from Wheaton Graduate School (Ill.) which you addressed last June 17.

We very much appreciate your taking time off your many responsibilities (including meeting with the President) to meet with us. The session provided us with good insight on the Government's programs, and of your role. We hope future groups will benefit from similar sessions.

Again, thank you for honoring us with your presence. You helped make our educational trip successful.

We pray God's blessings and guidance for you as you continue in Washington, and may He richly supply you with wisdom now, and in the future.

Yours sincerely,

  
Richard A. B. Crabbe  
Wheaton Graduate School  
Wheaton, Illinois, 60187



# Wheaton Graduate School

WHEATON, ILLINOIS 60187 • Communications Department

July 9, 1982

Mr. Morton Blackwell  
Presidential Assistant  
Liaison to Religious Communities  
Old Executive Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

Thank you very much for your help in making our recent seminar in Secular and Governmental Journalism such a stimulating learning experience for the students and me.

I apologize for taking so long to write to you. We returned to Wheaton Sunday, June 20, and a two-week Feature Writing class was waiting for me on Monday the 21st.

In many ways this edition of the seminar was the best of the three we've held so far. The students were extremely positive and appreciative of your taking time to speak to them.

Thank you especially for the incisive overview of the political process in America as you see it. We'll be watching the Fall elections with interest to see how these principles are operating then.

Sincerely,

Glenn F. Arnold  
Chairman  
Communications Department

GFA:jag

# Bold Ministries

6113 Calumet  
Amarillo, Texas 79106  
(806) 355-4221

Dr. Ludwig Otto  
President & Founder

✓ file

Dear Friend,

Randy Bennett is a convicted murderer. About eight months ago, after many years of drug use, Randy murdered a couple in a drug related event.

For eight months I visited Randy, once each week, at the Potter County Jail. A few days ago he was sentenced to 75 years in jail. On July 21st I shared with Randy our vision for **Bold Ministries** and its mission of reaching and protecting our young people through one of **Bold Ministries** Divisions - "**Kids for Christ.**"

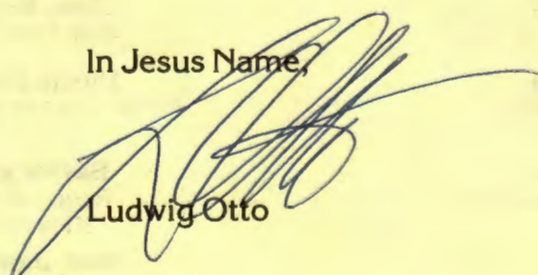
Here is what Randy said -- *"If there had been a 'Kids for Christ' in my neighborhood when I was growing up -- THE CHANCES ARE GOOD THAT I WOULD NOT BE IN JAIL."*

We need to protect our young people. **Bold Ministries** is planning to open a "**Kids for Christ**" center at **1623 Dumas Dr. (Hwy. 287) Amarillo, Texas 79107** on September 1, 1982. We plan on reaching thousands of young people in the Amarillo Community. In order to open this facility we need to raise \$68,000.00. This money will be used by the Lord to make a down payment on the purchase of the building, purchase equipment, pay utilities, insurance and staff.

What is it worth to save the life of a young person? I don't know! But I do know that the devil's crowd spends millions every year to destroy our young people. We can surely spend \$68,000.00 to save our young people.

Please let me hear from you. Those who feel led of the Lord to support this ministry **will have their names engraved on a plaque in the entrance of the building.** We need God's people, giving God's money to support this project. I pray that you will give and give generously.

In Jesus Name,



Ludwig Otto

P.S. One pastor, Rev. Jerry Kelly, said that he planned to ask his church to put **Bold Ministries** and its division "**Kids for Christ**" in their church mission budget. Will you ask your church to do the same?

To provide the very best for the young people of our community  
"Kids for Christ" a division of **Bold Ministries**

**MUST RAISE**  
**BY SEPTEMBER 5, 1982 \$68,000<sup>00</sup>**  
**ALL CONTRIBUTIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE**

*Open House*  
*September 18, 1982*  
*12 - 6 p.m.*  
*Everyone Invited*  
*Refreshments, Special Music*  
*Special Guests*

Every individual, business, civic organization or church -- who makes a contribution -- will have their name on a **Memorial Plaque** at the entrance of the building. You will be recognized as one of those who want to help young people.

.....  
**North Amarillo - "Kids for Christ"**  
**Citizens Coordinating Committee**  
.....

**Bill Dupree**  
Principal, Rolling  
Hills Elementary School

**Ed Armbruster**  
Director, R.A. Pleasant  
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**Rev. Carl Neal**  
Pastor, River Road  
Baptist Church

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**Peggy Hamilton**  
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Friendship House

**Rev. Joe Connor**  
Pastor, Maranatha  
Fellowship Church

**Hon. Bryan Poff**  
47th District Judge

**Elisha Demerson**  
Potter County Commissioner

**Barbara Merker**  
Regional Director  
"Kids for Christ"

**Rev. James Neal**  
Pastor, St. Johns  
Baptist Church

**James Brandon**  
Attorney

**Pat Ford**  
Employee  
Pantex Corporation

**Lt. Don Prather**  
Amarillo  
Police Dept.

**Dr. Ludwig Otto**  
President  
Bold Ministries

**Russell Rhodes**  
Teacher, Horace Mann  
Jr. High School

**Kelli Bullard**  
Operations Manager,  
KWAS Radio Station

**Lovell Lee**  
Texas State Technical  
Institute, Instructor

# Bold Ministries

6113 Calumet Amarillo, Texas 79106 (806) 355-4221  
Dr. Ludwig Otto Founder & President

## PROPOSED SCHEDULE

### Activities

- 1 Athletics: Boxing; Volleyball; Basketball; Skating; Shuffle Board; Checkers; Chess; Softball; Trampoline.
- 2 Crafts: Woodwork and Car Repair.

### Scripture Memory

- 1 The admission fee for anyone to enter into the center will be a knowledge of today's memory verse. NO ONE CAN ENTER UNLESS THEY CAN RECITE TODAY'S MEMORY VERSE.
- 2 Memory verses will be changed each week. They will be suggested by the members on the Citizens Co-ordinating Committee.

### Witnessing

Three times each day the Director or Assistant Director will stop all activities – bring the kids together – and in a few minutes show them how they can share Jesus Christ with their friends.

### Hours

- 1 Activities:
  - a. Summer: 10 a.m., Six days each week. Closed Sunday.
  - b. During School Session: 3:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.. Closed Sunday.
- 2 Counseling: Same hours as above, except in the case of special appointment.

### Supervisors of Activities

- 1 Four paid employees: Director; Assistant Director; 2 part-time Counselors.
- 2 Volunteers from: National Association of Christian Educators; National Association of Christian Peace Officers; Various other sports figures and teachers, plus the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

## PROPOSED BUDGET

KIDS FOR CHRIST - NORTH AMARILLO  
For the Period: August 1, 1982 - July 31, 1983

### Expenses

Legal Services	600.00
Accounting Fees	600.00
Landscaping Charges	1,200.00
Hospitalization	4,600.00
Utilities	12,000.00
Taxes	6,400.00
Insurance	3,200.00
Equipment - Office	1,600.00
Equipment - Athletic	6,900.00
Salaries:	
Director	18,000.00
Asst. Director	12,000.00
2 Part- Time Counselors	<u>9,600.00</u>
	39,600.00
Maintenance	4,800.00
Postage	3,600.00
Telephone	2,400.00
Video Tape Presentation	5,000.00
Advertising	<u>3,000.00</u>

97,900.00

### Building Cost

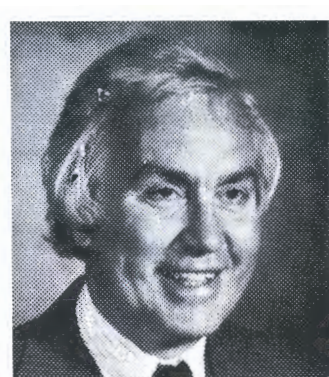
Proposed Purchase of 1623 Dumas Dr., Amarillo  
(8400 Sq. Ft. Plus 3½ Acres)

185,000.00

### Total Proposed Cost

\$ 282,900.00

*All contributions are tax deductible.*



**Dr. Ludwig Otto**  
President and Founder

Dr. Otto is a graduate of City University of New York, (Bachelor of Arts); the Blackstone School of Law; Chicago, Illinois (Bachelor of Law); Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas (Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry).

Before he founded **Bold Ministries**, he was the pastor of Southern Baptist Churches in Amarillo, Joshua, Euless and Fort Worth, Texas.

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## Book - "How To Protect Your Children"

Written by Dr. Otto. Acclaimed by many:

**Dr. Bailey Smith, Pastor**, First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, Oklahoma

"I love the little book, 'How To Protect Your Children'. You will want to have one. Please buy one for your sake and your children's. It is the very thing you've been looking for and didn't know where to find it. It elevates the home and lifts up Christ."

**Dr. Paige Patterson, President**, Criswell Center for Biblical Studies

"This book should by all means be read. It is much overdue. The conclusions that Lou Otto draws here are not only significant, but they ought to be read by every pastor and every parent."

**Rev. Dale Burris, Pastor**, Willow Park Baptist Church, Houston, Texas

"May we take the principles prescribed in this volume and tap the untapped resources of childhood faith."

**Dr. Paul Stripling, Executive Director**, Waco Baptist Association

"It is excellent material and I want you to know how supportive I am of the work you are doing in preparation for this book."

**Ron McGee, Sheriff**, Noble County, Perry, Oklahoma

"This book has opened me up personally, to the need and has inspired me to take action."

## Video Tape - "Evangelizing the Young"

Produced by **Covenant Communications**. Available in 1/2 or 3/4 inch, Beta or VHS. This tape should be viewed by anyone interested in the future of our young people. 22 minutes in length and in full color, this video tape not only challenges us to reach the young for Jesus Christ, but also explains the role of **Bold Ministries**.

Cameo appearances of political leaders, law enforcement officers and Christian educators are included in this vital presentation. Every church should have a copy of this tape in their media library.

## Cassette Tape - "You Can Change Your Public School"

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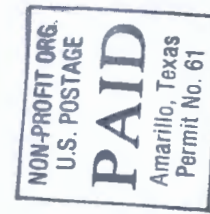
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June 28, 1982

Mrs. Elizabeth Hanford Dole  
Office of Public Liaison  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs. Dole:

On July 12, 1982, I will be addressing the annual conference of the South Carolina District of The Wesleyan Church concerning the President's proposed constitutional amendment allowing voluntary prayer in public schools and other public institutions. Enclosed you will find an open letter to the conference drafted by Rep. Carroll A. Campbell, Jr. who represents my district. Accompanying his letter is an article concerning the school prayer issue.

Would it be possible, Mrs. Dole, for someone on the White House staff to draft a similar letter in support of the President's amendment which could be copied and distributed at the annual conference next month? Or would it be possible to obtain a letter of support under the signature of the President himself?

A resolution in support of the amendment will be introduced at the conference next month at the time of my presentation. It is my desire to obtain as much input as possible from members of Congress and the Administration in order to insure the passage of a favorable resolution. I would greatly appreciate any assistance you could render.

Thank you for your attention in this matter. I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

*Keith W. Smith*

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June 23, 1982

General Superintendent Dr. Virgil A. Mitchell  
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15th Annual Session of the South Carolina District  
of The Wesleyan Church

I hope that the proceedings of your conference are going smoothly and that you will be successful in dealing with the matters which have been brought before you.

Please allow me this opportunity to call to your attention an issue which I believe is of great importance to each of you, not only as church leaders but also as American citizens: President Reagan recently submitted to Congress a constitutional amendment which seeks to restore the right to offer voluntary prayer in public schools and other public institutions. Attached you will find an article entitled "Freedom of Religion...Or Not?" which outlines my reasons for supporting this proposal. I hope that you will consider the President's proposal, and if you find it to be worthy, I encourage you to support this amendment to the full extent that you consider appropriate.

Again, I hope that you meet with success in all aspects of your annual conference.

With kind regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carroll Campbell".

CARROLL A. CAMPBELL, Jr.  
Member of Congress



Congressman  
**CARROLL CAMPBELL**  
Reports To The  
People  
WEEK OF MAY 26, 1980

**FREEDOM OF RELIGION . . . OR NOT?**

I recently took the unusual step of signing Discharge Petition # 7 in an effort to release S. 450 from the House Judiciary Committee and allow Members of the House to vote on the issue of permitting prayer in the public schools. The Senate has already approved this legislation.

While I normally support the kind of in-depth study conducted as legislation moves through the committee system of Congress, the Judiciary Committee has kept S. 450 bottled up for a year and it appears that the full House will be denied the opportunity to vote on this vital issue. This clearly thwarts the will of most House members, as evidenced by the fact that we voted in 1979 by a 255-122 margin to add language (later dropped) to the Department of Education bill permitting school prayer. Fortunately, House rules permit a committee to be discharged from jurisdiction over a bill if a majority of members - - 218 - - sign a petition calling for such action. Discharge Petition #7 currently has 150 signatures.

It seems clear to me that the Supreme Court overstepped its bounds with its 1962 decision outlawing school prayer. A practice which had existed from the very origins of public schools was suddenly ruled unconstitutional on very questionable grounds. I agree with the lone dissenter, Justice Potter Stewart, who said, "I cannot see how an 'official religion' is established by letting those who want to say a prayer say it. On the contrary, I think that to deny the wish of these school-children to join in reciting this prayer is to deny them the opportunity of sharing in the spiritual heritage of our nation."

And the fact is that spiritual heritage has been part of American history

from the very beginning, from the arrival of many of our original settlers who came to the new land to escape religious persecution and to practice their religion free from interference.

Freedom of religion in America was never confused with freedom from religion . . . until 1962.

Practices such as providing paid chaplains of different faiths for the armed forces, placing the motto "In God We Trust" on coins and paper money, using a Bible to administer the oath of office to our President and other officials - - all of these emphasize the spiritual foundations of the American nation. And never forget that each session of the House and the Senate opens with a prayer. Should our children not have the same rights as our politicians?

The school prayer provision of S. 450 would not amend the Constitution and would not mandate a single prayer for all states and localities. It would reaffirm individual states' rights to decide this highly sensitive question according to the will of their people by preventing the Supreme Court from interfering with those states which desire voluntary prayer in schools. This action is well within the constitutional responsibilities of the Congress.

The latest nationwide Gallup survey showed that 76% of the American people favor legislation to permit prayer in public schools. And it is no wonder during this time of grave difficulty in the world that people recognize the need to strengthen our spiritual heritage and reverse the moral decline that is occurring too often among our youth. It is my hope that the House of Representatives will have the opportunity to work the will of the people in the near future and that our children will once again be allowed a daily prayer. their classrooms.

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June 27, 1983

Mr. Morton Blackwell  
Office of Public Liaison  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Morton:

I'm sorry our respective recollections of our May 11th meeting are not in accord. I can only say that my suggestion of seeking out alternative solutions goes back to early April when I first recommended such a strategy to you and others in the White House. I don't recall saying anything which contradicted that position during our May 11th meeting or anything I've said or done since then.

I never agreed to becoming a part of an effort "committed to fighting off all attempted changes" in the President's language. I'll chalk this up to being a simple misunderstanding. But even if I did make such a commitment (which I did not) that doesn't preclude one from being flexible in strategy when conditions of the "battle" change. In fact, I deeply believe that what transpired over the past few weeks makes my original suggestion of negotiating a mutually acceptable alternative even more valid than before.

Also, one can "fully support" a bill while recognizing it may not stand "any real chance of passage" (as we will rediscover this week on the Hatch pro-life Amendment). Everyone recognizes that the Hatch Amendment is doomed, but that does not stop pro-lifers from fighting diligently in support of it.

Ideally, I would love to see the President's Amendment become enacted by Congress. Unfortunately, I doubt that it will be reported out of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate. However, I do believe that a Constitutional Amendment on prayer stands a very good chance of passage.

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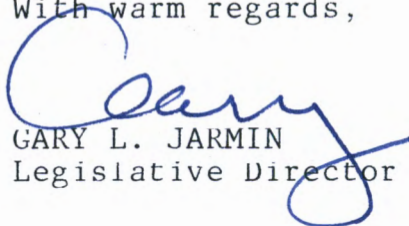
My fear is that the only amendment reported out of Committee will be the silent prayer alternative-- clearly worse than none at all. My chief objective is to keep the door open for other alternatives which will achieve the goal we are all striving for.

While I am perfectly content with the President's Amendment, I do not consider it perfect or "sacred". There is plenty of room for "fine-tuning" it to bring about the type of reconciliation so desperately needed at this time.

This is one of those occasions where nothing would make me happier than for events to prove me totally wrong. Sadly, I fear that the opposite is the case.

Praying that we can achieve a crucial victory in this important cause, I remain

With warm regards,



GARY L. JARMIN  
Legislative Director

GLJ/mfh

March 25, 1983

I am pleased and happy to send my warm congratulations to Asbury Theological Seminary as you celebrate the sixtieth anniversary of your founding.

This special event provides an occasion to look back and assess the long and arduous road you have traveled in over a half century of service to the Christian community. As the largest independent seminary in the nation, ATS is an institution that has helped to shape the destiny of the evangelical movement at home and in the world at large. Through the training of missionaries, a worldwide outreach program, and projects that reflect legitimate social concerns, ATS has demonstrated its leadership in furthering the spiritual values that have proven to be an essential part of our nation's strength.

I also want to take this opportunity to note the inauguration of your new President, David McKenna, who will guide ATS as you enter a new decade of assistance to your fellow man.

Again, congratulations on reaching this significant milestone in the history of your organization and may God bless your efforts in the years ahead.

**RONALD REAGAN**

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April 15, 1983

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Faith Whittlesey, Morton Blackwell, Dee Jepsen,  
Steve Gailebach, Ken Cribb

FROM: Gary Jarmin, Project Prayer

RE: School Prayer Leaders Meeting with President Reagan

I believe a very excellent and timely opportunity exists for us to generate positive media attention for the President's Constitutional Amendment on school prayer. Equally important, this publicity will help to generate momentum for the issue just prior to the Senate Judiciary Committee's vote on the Amendment.

Two events will occur simultaneously which will provide a perfect press opportunity for key pro-school prayer leaders to meet with the President: First, the week April 29-May 5 has been designated National Week of Prayer. There will be a number of activities during this week culminating with a major rally at the D.A.R. Constitution Hall on May 5th. Several prominent school prayer leaders will be in Washington, D.C. at this time. Second, as fate would have it, the Senate Judiciary Committee plans to hold hearings on the President's Amendment on April 29th and May 2nd. Both of these events provide an excellent opportunity and justification for the President to renew his call for Congressional action on the school prayer amendment.

Most importantly, we understand that Senator Thurmond wants to move quickly on the Constitutional Amendment and report it out of committee by the end of May. The timing couldn't be better. It is critically important that we generate the necessary public awareness and pressure for the Constitutional Amendment to get through committee and to create momentum for future Senate action.

\*Organization listed for identification purposes only

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- Leaders Meeting With the President -

The President has already met recently with several key religious and conservative leaders on a wide range of issues. A similar meeting with school prayer leaders should be arranged. The meeting should be limited to only 8-12 people and only needs 15-20 minutes.

The press should be invited in the meeting during which: (a) the President praises the leaders for their efforts and exhorts them to fight harder for his Amendment during this critical time; and (b) the leaders will in turn praise the President for his initiative, courage and leadership on the issue and present him with an award/plaque from Project Prayer commending his efforts.

Suggested Leaders: In addition to myself as Director of Project Prayer, I recommend Dr. Robert Grant, Chairman of Christian Voice, Rev. Tim LaHaye and his wife, Beverly, Pat Robertson and/or Ted Pantaleo from the Freedom Council, Jerry Falwell, Bob Dugan of the N.A.E., et. al.. Perhaps the key Congressional sponsors of the legislation should also be invited-- Rep. Tom Kindness and Senators Thurmond and Hatch. (The Project Prayer Coalition now has 126 members, including all of the above mentioned leaders).

I will contact you in a few days to discuss this idea with you in more detail and receive your reaction. Please don't hesitate to contact me in the meantime if I can be of any assistance.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 10, 1983

Dear Gentlemen,

I enjoyed reading about your production, "GOD IS ALIVE AND WELL AND LIVING EV'RYWHERE!", and the material you enclosed was very interesting.

Unfortunately, a production such as this is beyond the scope of White House activities.

I appreciate the information, and wish you the best of luck in this and your other endeavors.

Sincerely,



Morton C. Blackwell  
Special Assistant to the President  
for Public Liaison

Mr. Gene Bone and Mr. Howard Fenton  
401 East 74th Street  
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April 11, 1983

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

Dear Mr. Blackwell:

At the suggestion of Mabel Brandon and Fred Ryan, we are getting in touch with you regarding "the first Spiritual Musical" entitled, GOD IS ALIVE AND WELL AND LIVING EV'RYWHERE! which we have written and composed and is soon going into recordings and theatre production.

For a number of months we have been in touch with the White House, writing to Pres. and Mrs. Reagan, and talking with Ms. Brandon, about appearing at the White House with a concert version of the music of this work.

This is of especial importance now, as May 5th has been set as National Prayer Day, to "bring renewed respect for God." (Incidentally, we wrote a widely performed song, PRAY FOR PEACE, which has gone through several recordings, the most recent of which is by the Edwin Hawkins Singers.)

We have desired that Pres. and Mrs. Reagan be aware of these works, especially how they tie in with current efforts to promote international Peace and the well-being of all people in all lands.

Included you'll find material on GOD IS ALIVE... and on another current production, AMERICA'S HER NAME.

Please let us hear from you as soon as possible, and we'll be grateful.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

*Gene Bone and Howard Fenton*

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