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*"Prophecy is like a lamp shining in a dark place." - II Peter 1:19*

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## Observations by the Editor

### Let's be grateful but realistic.

My grandfather on my dad's side was a dyed-in-the-wool Democrat. His dogmatic commitment to the Democratic Party was rooted in the suffering he endured during the Great Depression when he was forced to hold down two and three menial jobs at a time in order to feed his large family. Since a Republican (Herbert Hoover) was President when the Depression began, my grandfather blamed the Republicans for the catastrophe.

He also blamed the Republicans for everything else he didn't like, including bad weather! I remember sitting with him on his front porch shortly before he died. "This country is a mess," he declared. "The nation is being taken over by homosexuals, feminists, minorities and labor unions. We need to elect more Democrats!"

We had a wonderful relationship, but it was severely strained in 1972 when I decided to run for Congress as a Republican. It put him in a state of shock. It was as if I had renounced the family religion. But we remained good friends, especially after the incumbent Democrat was re-elected!

In those days, I was as partisan as my grandfather. I felt like the only hope for America was the Republican Party. But my heavy involvement in politics convinced me that politicians, regardless of party, cause more problems than they ever solve.

I finally came to the realization that the only real hope for America is Jesus Christ. He is the only one who can truly change lives. He is the only one who can bring social justice. Our most earnest prayer should not be for the victory of any particular political party. Rather, we should be praying for God to raise up uncompromising spiritual leaders who will preach the Word in the power of God's Spirit. We should be praying for God to send spiritual revival to our land, prompting widespread repentance and re-commitment to the principles of God's Word.

Does that mean we should wash our hands of politics? Not at all. We are



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called by God's Word to pray for our leaders and to be responsible citizens, paying our taxes and obeying the laws. We are also called to stand for righteousness, and to do that, we must speak out on the issues and support candidates who stand for morality and justice, regardless of their political affiliation.

I am delighted over the election of George Bush, not because he is a Republican, but because he is an Evangelical Christian who is committed to the principles of God's Word. I am grateful to God for this blessing. But at the same time, I am realistic. A political leader can set a moral tone for his nation, but he cannot bring spiritual renewal and revival. That can occur only through the preaching of the Word of God.

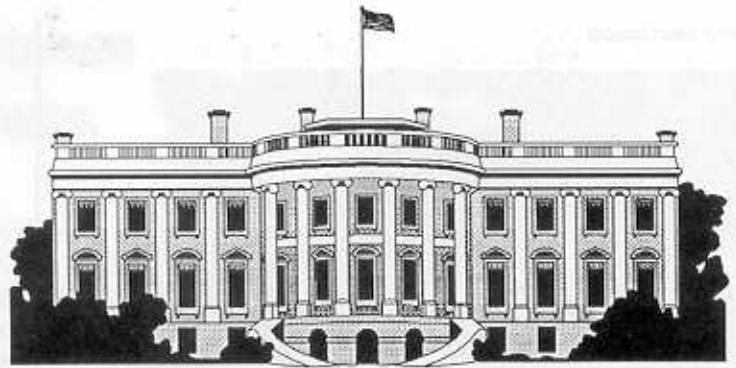
Also, the essence of politics is compromise. Things get done in government through deals. So don't expect too much of President Bush. He will be forced to make difficult compromises, many of which may be rather unpalatable to his conservative supporters.

Let's thank God for the outcome of this election. And let's remember to pray earnestly and daily for the new president, his family, and his administration. Pray that he will rule by the principles of God's Word and not by the winds of public opinion and fluctuating polls. Pray also for his health and safety.

But most of all, pray for spiritual revival for America. ✝

# Morality in the White House

Dr. David R. Reagan



**T**he Bible says that God is the one who puts every political leader into office. The prophet Daniel put it this way: “He [God] removes kings and establishes kings” (Daniel 2:21). The Bible also indicates that God often gives a nation the kind of ruler it deserves.

In Old Testament times, the northern nation of Israel was caught up in idolatry from the moment of its rebellious birth. Never in its 200 year history did it have a single king who was considered righteous in the eyes of God. The southern nation of Judah fared much better. The people rejected idolatry and gave their hearts to the one and only true God, and He responded by providing them with a long line of outstanding, godly kings — like Jehoshaphat, Uzziah, and Hezekiah.

But when the people of Judah turned their backs on God, He attempted to discipline them by raising up the most cruel and evil king in their history, a man named Manasseh. He was a blasphemer who was involved in idolatry, astrology, witchcraft and the sacrifice of babies. His reign lasted 55 years, longer than any other king of Judah (2 Chronicles 33).

His evil forced the people to their knees. They cried out to God for mercy, and God responded in a peculiar way. He orchestrated the politics of Judah in such a way as to put Manasseh’s 8 year old grandson, Josiah, on the throne. The Word says that when he was 16 years old, he began “to seek the God of his father, David.” He ordered that the Temple be cleansed of all idols, and in the process, the priests discovered the Word of God which they had lost. The king ordered that the Word be proclaimed to all the people, and the result was the greatest spiritual revival in the nation’s history (2 Chronicles 34).

## 1993: A Year of Infamy

In 1993 God gave this rebellious nation the kind of leader we deserved — Bill Clinton. He proved to be a man whose lack of morality served as a mirror of a nation who had turned its back on God and committed itself to paganism.

The first year of his administration was a year of infamy. On his third day in office, the President signed five revolutionary executive orders:

- 1) He lifted the ban on homosexuals in the military.
- 2) He lifted the ban on fetal tissue research.
- 3) He lifted the ban on abortion counseling in federally funded clinics.
- 4) He began the process of approving the importation of the abortion-inducing drug called RU 486.
- 5) He provided funds for the first time for abortions in military hospitals overseas.

In early February the President appointed Roberta Achtenberg, an avowed lesbian activist, to a prominent position in the Department of Housing and Urban Development. A week later the President lifted the restriction on the immigration of HIV-

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## 2001: A Year of New Hope

In 2001 God has responded to the prayers of many Christians by delivering our nation from morally depraved leadership. The Lord has graciously provided us with a leader who is committed to Christian principles — George W. Bush.

His first actions in office sent a strong message that a new day has arrived. President Bush issued an executive order rescinding all U. S. funding of organizations that promote abortion on the international scene. He followed up this sweeping order with an initiative designed to allow federal funding to faith-based organizations that provide social welfare services. He then issued a proclamation calling for a national day of prayer and thanksgiving in which he made the following request: “I ask Americans to bow our heads in humility before our Heavenly Father . . . to ask His guidance upon our Nation and its leaders in every level of government.”

In his inaugural address, the new President reminded the nation that “we are guided by a power larger than ourselves, who creates us equal in His image.” He then spoke of the importance of faith-based organizations: “Church and charity, synagogue and mosque, lend our communities their humanity, and they will have an honored place in our plans and in our laws.” He concluded by referring to God as history’s “author,

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positive persons into the United States. Fortunately, this action was quickly rebuffed by the Congress. The Congress also halted his effort to repeal the Hyde Amendment, which prohibits federal funding of abortions.

In mid-April, the President appointed Jocelyn Elders as Surgeon General. She announced, "I tell every girl that when she goes out on a date — put a condom in her purse." Later, she told the *Washington Times*, "We taught them [teens] what to do in the front seat [of a car]. Now it's time to teach them what to do in the back seat."

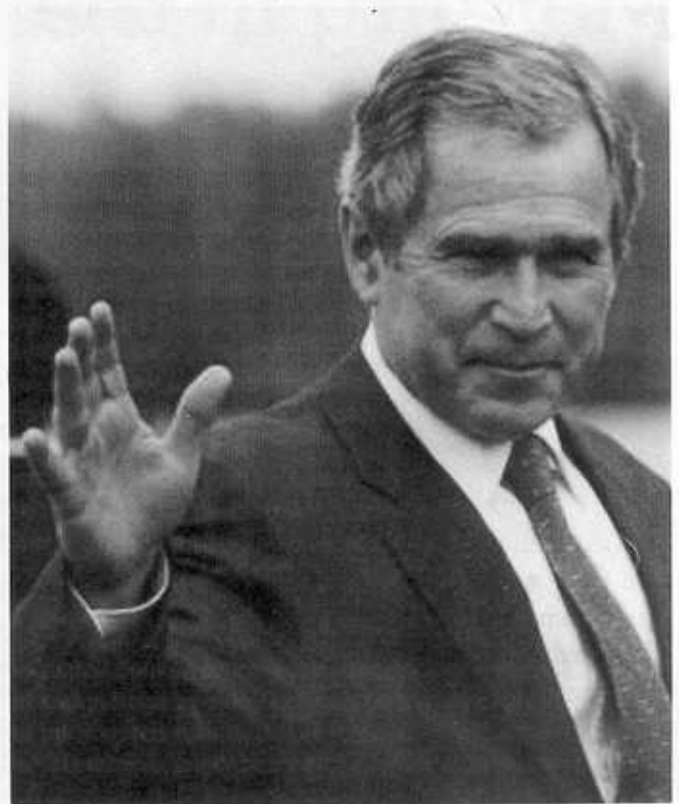
In mid-April, the Defense Secretary, Les Aspin, ordered the Pentagon to lift the ban on women in combat, summarily discarding 217 years of military tradition (and civility). The American people were not asked for their opinions.

In June President Clinton made two more very controversial appointments. He nominated Ruth Bader Ginsberg to the Supreme Court. She was a radical liberal who had advocated such things as the legalization of prostitution and the lowering of the age of sexual consent to 12 years! The other incredible appointment was Kristine Gebbie, a lesbian, to be the new AIDS czar. She immediately attacked those in America who have a "Victorian attitude" that represses sexual expression.

In September the Department of Justice filed a brief before the U. S. Supreme Court that attempted to redefine child pornography. Unbelievably, the position taken by Attorney General Janet Reno was that there should be no prosecution unless children are depicted engaging in sexual conduct.

In early November, homosexual and lesbian appointees within the Clinton Administration held a "coming-out breakfast" for the press. They announced that their original goal was to secure five gay appointees by the White House. To that date,

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who fills time and eternity with His purpose."

When President Bush met with his White House staff for their swearing-in ceremony, the President said:

I expect every member of this administration to stay well within the boundaries that define legal and ethical conduct.

This means avoiding even the appearance of problems . . . No one in the White House should be afraid to confront the people they work for, for ethical concerns. And no one should hesitate to confront me, as well. We're accountable to one another . . . and we are accountable to the American people . . .

I want it said of us, at the end of our service, that promises made were promises kept.

Is all this for real? Is Bush's faith authentic? Does he refer to God in sincerity, or is he simply tipping his hat to deity as a political gesture?

Time, of course, will tell the story. But I, for one, believe Bush is very sincere. Much of my opinion is based upon a remarkable statement of faith that he wrote and issued during his campaign.

In that statement, Bush acknowledged that before 1983 he was a cultural Christian who simply attended church out of a sense of duty. The turning point came when his father invited Billy Graham to spend a weekend with the Bush family at their retreat home in Maine. One evening the whole family gathered in the den and spent several hours asking Graham questions. Bush writes, "What he said sparked a change in my heart." The next day George W. sought out Graham for some personal time together. The result was life transforming:

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they revealed that 22 had been appointed!

The year ended with the President granting \$13.2 million to Planned Parenthood for overseas "family planning." And Surgeon General Jocelyn Elders called for the reduction of the nation's crime rate through the legalization of drugs.

All this was followed by Travelgate, White Watergate, Monicagate, Chinagate and the impeachment process. And let's not forget the President's two vetoes of bills outlawing partial birth abortion and his proclamation in June 1999 declaring the month to be "Gay Pride Month." Incredibly, in that proclamation, he called for Americans to "celebrate" homosexuality!

And then, to add insult to injury, when the eight painful and embarrassing years were over, the President exited the same way he came in, with scandal. He pardoned notorious criminals, and he and his staff vandalized the White House and looted Air Force One.

As one national columnist put it, "Bill Clinton may not have been the nation's worst president, but he was certainly the worst person ever to hold the office."

My colleague, Gary Fisher of Lion of Judah Ministries, summed it up this way: "Never in the history of the United States has there been an administration so full of scandal and moral rot." ❖

*Note:* Most of the information in this article about the year 1993 was taken from a Focus on the Family newsletter dated January 1994.



## A President with integrity.

Harry S Truman (1884 - 1972) gained notice early in his political career for his honesty. He was the chief presiding officer of a county in Missouri during a time when the corrupt Pendergast machine controlled state politics. In contrast to those around him, he built a reputation for efficiency and honesty.

In 1934 he was elected to the U. S. Senate and was re-elected in 1940. During World War II he became concerned about federal waste. He toured the country in his own car at his own expense to observe the expenditure of federal funds. The irregularities he witnessed prompted him to ask the Senate to create a watchdog program. The Senate agreed, and the group was dubbed "The Truman Committee."

In 1944 he was selected as Franklin Roosevelt's running mate. When Roosevelt died suddenly the next year, Truman kissed the Bible when he was sworn in. Then, he turned to the press and said, "I feel as though the moon and all the stars and all the planets have fallen upon me. Please, boys, give me your prayers. I need them very much."

On his desk at the White House was a sign that said, "The Buck Stops Here!" He kept a roll of stamps on his desk which he used for his personal letters. He believed in being accountable in both large and small things. ❖

Reverend Graham planted a mustard seed in my soul, a seed that grew over the next year. He led me to the path, and I began walking. It was the beginning of a change in my life. I had always been a 'religious' person, had regularly attended church, even taught a Sunday School class and served as an altar boy. But that weekend my faith took on a new meaning. It was the beginning of a new walk where I would commit my heart to Jesus Christ.

I was humbled to learn that God sent His Son to die for a sinner like me. I was comforted to know that through the Son I could find God's amazing grace . . .

When Bush returned home to Midland, Texas, his closest friend, Don Evans (now Secretary of Commerce), talked him into joining a men's Bible study group. "My interest in the Bible grew stronger and stronger, and the words became clearer and more meaningful."

The next step in Bush's spiritual journey occurred at his home church in Midland (First Methodist). He and his wife decided to participate in a James Dobson program for rearing children in a biblical manner. "As I studied and learned, Scripture took on greater meaning, and I gained confidence and understanding in my faith."

He then states that he began to focus on "the power of prayer." He started praying for guidance about all aspects of his life, and in the process he says he developed a new sense of humility.

The final step in his spiritual awakening occurred in 1998 when he visited Israel. (His host was Ariel Sharon!) Here's how he described his visit to the hill of the beatitudes in the Galilee:

It was an overwhelming feeling to stand in the spot where the most famous speech in the history of the world was delivered, the spot where Jesus outlined the character and conduct of a believer and gave His disciples and the world the beatitudes, the golden rule, and the Lord's prayer.

In summary, President Bush talked about the relevance of his faith to politics:

Politics is a fickle business. Polls change. Today's friend is tomorrow's adversary. People lavish praise and attention. Many times it is genuine; sometimes it is not. So I build my life on a foundation that will not shift. My faith frees me. Frees me to put the problem of the moment in proper perspective. Frees me to make decisions that others might not like. Frees me to try to do the right thing, even though it may not poll well.

Can there be any doubt that the election of George W. Bush to the Presidency has enraged Satan? We need to get on our knees and thank God for this blessing, and we need to pray daily for the Lord to protect and bless this man with wisdom and courage. ❖

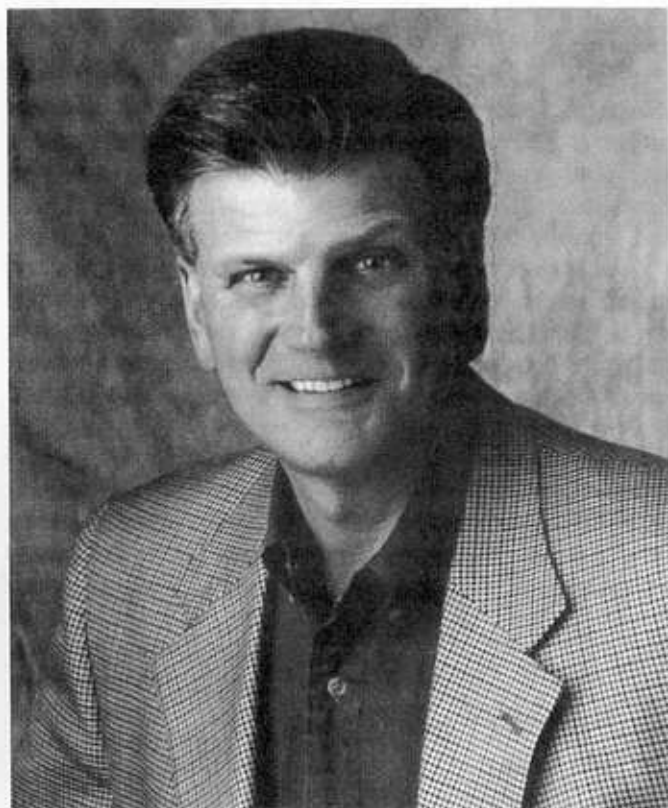


# Franklin Graham's Inaugural Sermon

*Editor's Note:* On Sunday morning, January 21, the day following President Bush's inauguration, I got up early and switched on the television while I drank a cup of coffee. The scene that greeted me was the National Cathedral in Washington, D.C. The podium was loaded with clerics wearing all kinds of special robes. The congregation was composed of dignitaries, led by President Bush and his family.

The service was highly ritualistic, and I was about to switch it off when the moderator suddenly introduced the preacher of the morning, Franklin Graham (Billy Graham's son and designated heir of his ministry).

I decided to sit back and listen. I am so glad I did because I was blessed beyond measure as I listened to Graham preach the gospel without compromise. Here are excerpts from the sermon. The complete text is available on the Internet at [www.graham-assn.org](http://www.graham-assn.org).



Throughout David's life, from the time he was a small boy tending his father's flocks, he inquired of the Lord what he should do, regardless of whether the decision was great or small.

David did not test the political winds of the day to see which direction he should go. David's only concern was to find the will of God for his life — and then to do it. God blessed him and God blessed the nation of Israel because of David . . .

When David was anointed king, all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. He came to the throne after a great struggle and great controversy. The king united the country of Israel by "inquiring of the Lord . . ."

## A Call to Prayer

Prayer should be a daily habit for everyone — whether elected officials or private citizens; whether before or after a difficult experience; whether in victory or in defeat.

In an increasingly complex and dangerous world, we need to drop to our knees and acknowledge our dependence on God and ask Him to reveal His will just as King David did long ago . . .

David was a man of action. He was decisive. He was a builder, and he built Israel into a Super Power of that day. But David never took credit himself. He was quick to give God all the glory and all the praise.

In this first decade of the New Millennium, many of you here today will have to make decisions of State, perhaps greater than any of those made by your predecessors.

## King David:

### A Model for Political Leadership

**C**hris, whom the Bible speaks of as the Source of all wisdom, said, "What shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?" (Mark 8:36). Or what should a man give in exchange for his soul?

I believe this verse applies not only to individuals but to nations as well, for a nation that loses its moral compass and its spiritual courage will grow old before its time.

Even if we gain all of our material, social and political objectives, and yet lose our souls, Jesus said, "What profit would it be?" To God, one soul is worth more than the whole world.

### A Plague of Despair

As I travel I find a common thread — and that is, there is a sense of hopelessness. Even in our own country, in spite of the tremendous economic success, there is a restlessness within the soul of America.

Regardless of our technological and scientific achievements, we still face great social, political and spiritual problems.

As this new administration works together to lead this nation, and our world, to new heights of social justice, peace and economic prosperity, you will also have the opportunity to once again ignite the soul of America by seeking the God of our Fathers and the God of all History.

### A Model for Leadership

In the Old Testament, God worked in a mighty way through the life of King David, the greatest King of Israel — and most likely, in all of human history. God said that David was a man after His own heart.

May the life of King David, his prayers and praise to God, be a source of inspiration to guide you . . .

### True Religion

Only a personal relationship with the Living God can fill the moral vacuum that exists in the world today. It is God, and God alone, that can solve the crises in which we find ourselves — and He uses people to carry out His work . . .

This is what Jesus told Nicodemus, one of the great Jewish political and religious leaders of His day. Nicodemus was a man of high morals, a man who believed in God, but you see it wasn't enough. It's not enough just to be more, not enough just to believe in God.

The Bible says in John 3 that you must be born again.

From the beginning we were born into the human family with the moral disease called "sin." However, the Good News is that we can be born into God's family. He will forgive our sin, and we can have victory over sin forever.

This is the "hope" that the Bible speaks of, and God Himself will change us if we are willing to allow Him to do so.

### A Call to Repentance

There is hope. We can live in peace with ourselves and with our families and with our neighbors. We can have peace that passes all understanding within our communities and in our world.

The Bible says in John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

I believe that God is calling us as individuals and as a nation today to repentance and faith in Him.

To repent is to acknowledge our need of the Great Physician in our lives and to ask His forgiveness for our sins.

To have faith is to accept His prescription for healing of our souls — found in His Son Jesus Christ and by faith receiving Him into our heart and trust Him as our Savior and follow Him as our Lord.

Jesus said in John 14:6, "I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man comes to the Father, but by me."

### Trusting God

On this solemn occasion, my prayer is that we will turn our hearts toward the Living God, as King David and our forefathers did long ago.

We have gathered here today with renewed hope for America. This prayer service demonstrates our recognition and need for help from the Almighty. We affirm that we are indeed a free and independent people, but in a far more profound sense we are a people that are totally dependent upon Almighty God.

I pray that God will place His great hand of protection on each and every one, and especially upon you, Mr. President, and your family. May we as a nation again place our hope and trust in the Almighty God and His Son the Lord Jesus Christ, our Savior, our Redeemer and our Friend.

May God bless you and may God bless America. ❖



## A New Leader for Israel

**A**riel Sharon has been overwhelmingly elected the new Prime Minister of Israel, and I consider his election to be a miraculous answer to prayer.

For the past five years I have been praying earnestly in my daily prayer journal that the Lord would "raise up a Churchill for Israel." Sometimes I even added, "Make him a man of strong resolve like Ariel Sharon." But I never prayed specifically for Sharon to be the person because I considered that possibility to be impossible. After all, Sharon was too old and too controversial.

Well, once again I have seen that what seems impossible to Man is always possible to God. I have been amazed to watch as the Lord has orchestrated the rise of Sharon. First came Ehud Barak's bumbling political style in which he tried to govern Israel the way he ran the army — by simply issuing orders and never consulting anyone. And then there was his blind commitment to a policy of appeasement and his amazing determination to pursue it even when Arafat spat in his face and demanded more and more. The scene of Barak groveling at the feet of Arafat was not a pretty one. Then, after Barak offered Arafat everything sacred to the Israelis and Arafat responded by launching a violent uprising, the Israeli people finally began to see the light — they finally woke up to the realization that there would never be peace through appeasement.

That's when Barak surprised everyone by resigning and calling for a new election for Prime Minister. And that's when a little known law of great significance was discovered by the general public and the world. Under Israeli law, if the Prime Minister dissolves the Knesset and calls for general elections, anyone can run for the position of Prime Minister. But if he does not dissolve the Knesset and calls only for an election of Prime Minister, then only members of the Knesset can run! That law ruled out Benjamin Netanyahu because he had resigned from the Knesset when he was defeated by Barak. With Netanyahu ruled out, the Likud Party turned to Ariel Sharon.

Sharon is the greatest general in the history of the Israeli military. He is also a very crafty politician who put together the coalition that elected Menachem Begin. Most important, he is a man who understands and appreciates Jewish history. He will draw the line in the sand and say to the world, "Enough is enough!" And the world will see once again, as they did with Churchill, that the best assurance of peace is strength and the will to use it. ❖

# 2000 A Summary of the Year's Activities for Lamb & Lion Ministries

## 1) Radio & Video

Produced 261 radio programs, ending the year with the Ministry's 5,355th program.

Radio outreach on 39 stations across the United States.

Added a media intern to the staff to assist the media minister.

Completed construction of a video production studio.

Produced five video programs, including "Hosea: God's Prophet of Love," "A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land," and "The Middle East Crisis in Biblical Perspective."

Duplicated and distributed over 3,000 video tapes.

Video taped extensive footage in Israel to be used in future video productions.

## 2) Audio Cassettes

Produced 17 tape programs on biblical themes.

Produced two cassette albums, one on Revelation themes and the other on the Holy Spirit.

Distributed 32,930 cassette tapes.

## 3) Communications

Processed 7,241 radio listener letters.

Processed 6,834 telephone calls from radio listeners.

Processed 8,340 email messages.

Maintained a website reaching people all over the world.

## 4) Preaching and Teaching

Conducted 7 regular meetings at churches.

Conducted 14 weekend conferences.

Presented 10 one day sessions at churches.

## 5) Publications

Produced 6 issues of the Ministry's magazine, *The Lamplighter*.

Published several pamphlets on biblical themes.

Published a Messianic Jewish calendar.

Book published: *Living for Christ in the End Times*.

## 6) Israel

Hosted an introductory tour to the Holy Land.

Provided extensive relief funds for Jewish refugees.

Gave financial assistance to six ministries in Israel.

## 7) Missions

Shipped Bible study materials and Bibles to individuals and missions in many different foreign countries.

Raised \$67,360 for Hands of Luke Ministries in Juarez, Mexico to provide care for orphans, food for the homeless, medical care for the poor, and evangelistic outreach to prison inmates and others.

Conducted a prophecy conference in the Philippines which was attended by over 100 pastors and evangelists.

Participated in a Bible study conference sponsored by Colegio Biblico College in Eagle Pass, Texas.

Continued support of a Messianic Jewish ministry in Warsaw, Poland.

Made an extensive 21 day teaching and preaching tour of England, Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland.

Contributed a total of \$109,500 to missions (10% of the Ministry's total income).

## 8) Conferences

Conducted 2 regional prophecy conferences in Louisiana and Kentucky.

Participated in a cult conference in Dallas sponsored by a group of former Jehovah's Witnesses.

Participated in the North American Christian Convention.

Participated in the Christian Bookseller's Convention in New Orleans.

## 9) Finances

Received 11,884 gifts from 3,346 donors.

Received re-certification as a member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability.

Ended the calendar year with all bills paid in full for the 21st year in a row.





# 2000 A Report on Finances

## Income

Sales	\$80,458	07%
Undesignated Gifts	\$731,437	63%
Designated Gifts	\$225,058	20%
Other Income	\$17,083	01%
Carry Over from 1999	\$106,576	09%
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$1,160,612</b>	

## Expenses

Salaries and Benefits	\$387,852	40%
Buildings and Property	\$95,776	10%
Equipment & Furniture	\$37,152	04%
Evangelism Outreach	\$403,693	42%
General Expenses	\$40,934	04%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$965,407</b>	

### An Analysis

As you can see, the Lord greatly blessed Lamb & Lion Ministries financially during the year 2000. We ended the year with all our bills paid in full, for the 21st year in a row. And we ended the year with no debt. That means all our land, buildings and equipment are paid for. We praise God for that!

Income for the month of December was \$183,923 (a record high). The yearly total, after subtracting the cash carried over from the previous year, was over one million dollars for the first time in the ministry's history. The total came to \$1,057,637. That was 12% above our 1999 total of \$946,060.

The total we gave to missions came to \$93,656. This was 10% of our total income for the year.

The amount spent on buildings and property was unusually high because we spent \$75,000 completing the construction of our new video studio. Without those construction costs, our expenditures for buildings and property would have totaled only \$20,776 (mainly for maintenance and utilities).

### Continuing Needs

As we look to the future, we have some continuing needs:

1) Video equipment	\$50,000
2) Computer Software	\$16,000
3) Computer Equipment	\$5,000
4) Vehicle	\$15,000

There is a long list of video equipment we need to purchase, including one more studio camera. We rejoice to report that JVC introduced a new camera at the first of this year that can do everything we need for half the cost of what we were thinking about purchasing. So, we recently spent \$20,000 for two cameras instead of \$40,000. If you would like to provide the funds for a specific piece of video equipment, call our office at 972/736-3567 and talk with our media director, Don Gordoni. Otherwise, you can simply designate your donation for "Video Outreach."

Before the end of this year we need to purchase a new, comprehensive software program for the ministry — one specifically designed for media ministries. It will cost at least \$16,000 and possibly as much as \$20,000, and we will need to purchase some new computers to operate the software.

The amount designated for "Vehicle" is needed to purchase a small new truck for the ministry. The one we now have is on its last leg. ❖



## Hands of Luke

**P**ictured above are Marco and Carmen Samaniego, the directors of Hands of Luke Ministries. The majority of the funds that we provided to foreign ministries during 2000 was sent to Hands of Luke Ministries in Juarez, Mexico.

Every year in early November we launch a special fund raising campaign for this important ministry. Our goal this past year was \$40,000. The Lord provided \$67,000!

Hands of Luke provides comprehensive medical care at its clinic in downtown Juarez. It also operates an orphanage there that houses 90 children. The ministry is also active in the prisons of Juarez.

An innovative new aspect of its outreach consists of nutrition centers which the ministry is building on the periphery of Juarez in the poorest of the suburbs. Four centers are currently in operation. Each center feeds breakfast to about 200 children daily. Each center contains a medical clinic, each one houses about five orphans, and each one serves as the home for a church.

The ministry has become well known for the massive feedings it provides each year at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Many churches on the U. S. side of the border from as far away as Colorado help with these feedings by supplying money, food and volunteers. It is not at all unusual for the ministry to serve 20,000 people during the week of Thanksgiving, many of whom live on the garbage dump of Juarez. Then, a month later at Christmas, the ministry mobilizes to serve about 10,000 children a special Christmas meal, complete with a Christmas gift for each one. *Thanks for your help!* ❖

# Spiritual Blessings in Florida

Dr. David R. Reagan

**D**uring the first weekend in January my wife and I traveled to Destin, Florida, where I conducted a weekend prophecy conference. The conference was the idea of a lady named Robin Richardson.

Robin is a participant in a large lady's Bible study conducted by a gifted teacher named Mary Ann Roberts. Mary Ann had a copy of my video album called "Preaching Bible Prophecy," and she made it available to her students. After Robin viewed it, she suggested that the group invite me to come to Destin to hold a conference. They did, and I accepted.

## A Spiritual Feast

As soon as I accepted, the ladies went to work organizing and advertising the event in a very professional manner. They also began to pray for the Lord's blessing. The result was a spiritual feast.

Over 200 people were present for the teaching sessions on Saturday morning which were held at a conference center. A group of young people led in worship. Jack and Sally Hollingsworth of Acts 29 Ministry provided special music.

My messages were received with great enthusiasm. I began the conference on Saturday morning with a message entitled, "The Meaning of Christian Hope." At the second session that morning I presented a brief overview of end time events and then opened it up to questions. I spoke again on Saturday evening on the topic, "The Middle East Crisis in Biblical Perspective." Almost 300 were present that evening.

One special treat I had not anticipated was the privilege of baptizing several of the ladies in a swimming pool following the Saturday evening service.

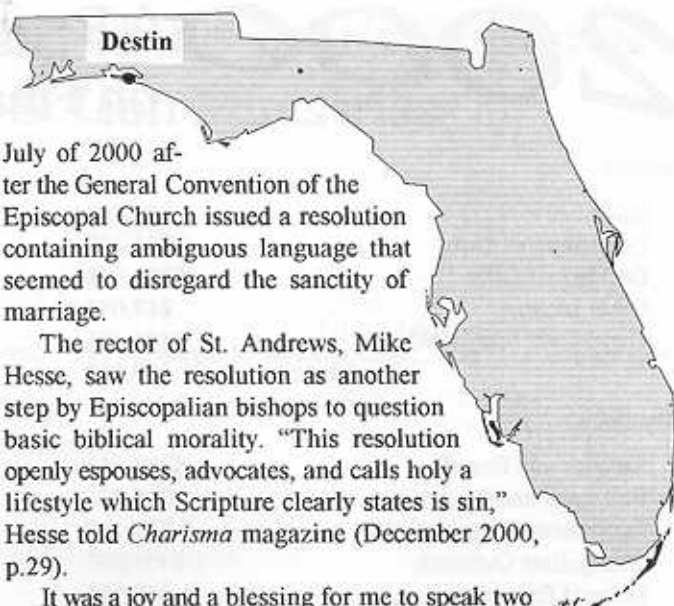
## Standing for God's Word

The ladies arranged for me to speak to a local congregation on Sunday morning. It turned out to be one that has been featured prominently in the national news in recent months.

The congregation's name is St. Andrews by-the-Sea Anglican Church — yes, *Anglican!* It was previously an Episcopal church, but the rector became increasingly concerned over the growing apostasy within the Episcopal Church, particularly among leaders at the top, so he proposed that the congregation leave the Episcopal fellowship. They voted to do so, and they immediately lost their church building since all church property in the Episcopal fellowship belongs to the denomination.

They decided to affiliate with the Anglican Church under the oversight of the Bishop of Rwanda in Africa! When I asked how they had ended up under an African bishop, I was told that the Anglican archbishops of Rwanda and Southeast Asia had met in Singapore in January 2000 and had issued a declaration proclaiming the United States to be a "mission field." They formed an organization called the Anglican Mission in America (AMIA) and appointed two American clergymen to be missionary bishops to the U.S.

Since that time, 21 Episcopal congregations and 35 ordained Episcopal clergy have joined the AMIA. They took the action in



July of 2000 after the General Convention of the Episcopal Church issued a resolution containing ambiguous language that seemed to disregard the sanctity of marriage.

The rector of St. Andrews, Mike Hesse, saw the resolution as another step by Episcopalian bishops to question basic biblical morality. "This resolution openly espouses, advocates, and calls holy a lifestyle which Scripture clearly states is sin," Hesse told *Charisma* magazine (December 2000, p.29).

It was a joy and a blessing for me to speak two times on Sunday morning to this congregation that has taken such a strong stand in behalf of the sanctity of God's Word and the institution of marriage. The church now meets in the Destin Civic Center. There were over 700 present at the two Sunday morning services.

## Following England

As I thought back over what has happened to St. Andrew's church in Destin, it occurred to me that the United States is following in the footsteps of England. In the 19th Century England was the world's center of Christianity, sending out missionaries all over the world. Today, England is spiritually dead, with only 7% of the people attending church.

The United States replaced England in the 20th Century as the center of Christianity, but we too have taken a turn toward paganism. We are now a post-Christian nation, and we are now in need of missionaries from other countries. ❖



Dr. Reagan is pictured above with Mike Hesse.



## Israel must live!

Eric Hoffer

*Editor's Note:* Eric Hoffer (1902 - 1983) was a remarkable man. He was a voracious reader who completely educated himself. He worked as a longshoreman for most of his life. In 1951 his first book, *The True Believer*, was published. It became an instant best seller, and he became a recognized philosopher. The novelty of being a philosophical thinker with a working-class background made Hoffer into a sort of popular folk hero. He wrote many other books but continued to work as a longshoreman up to the time of his death. In 1982 he was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the United States' highest civilian honor. He wrote the following article in 1968, about one year after the Six Day War of 1967.

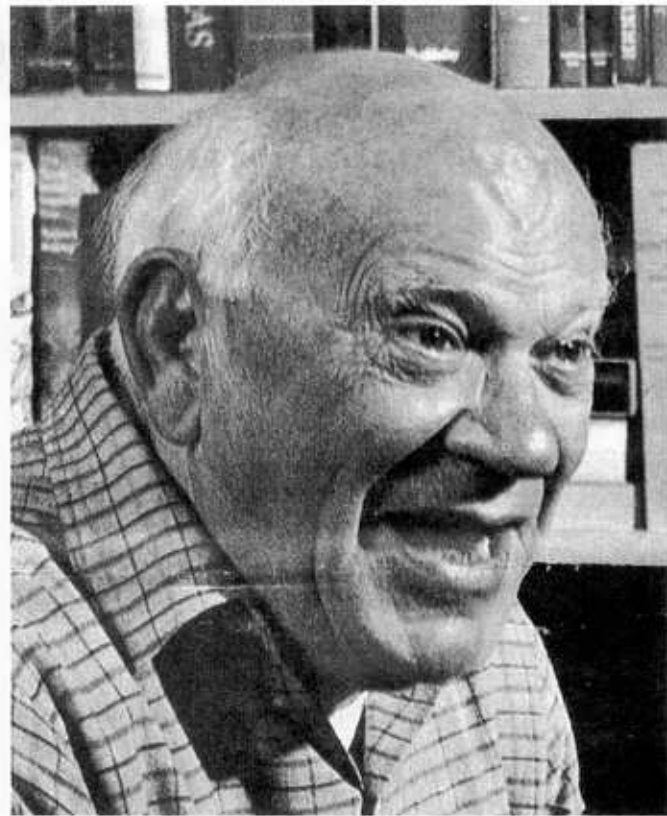
**T**he Jews are a peculiar people. Things permitted to other nations are forbidden to the Jews. Other nations drive out thousands, even millions, of people and there is no refugee problem. Russia did it; Poland and Czechoslovakia did it; Turkey drove out a million Greeks and Algeria, a million Frenchmen; Indonesia threw out heaven knows how many Chinese — and no one says a word about refugees.

But in the case of Israel, the displaced Arabs have become eternal refugees. Everyone insists that Israel must take back every single Arab. Arnold Toynbee calls the displacement of the Arabs an atrocity greater than any committed by the Nazis!

Other nations, when victorious on the battlefield, dictate peace terms. But when Israel is victorious, it must sue for peace. *Everyone expects the Jews to be the only real Christians in the world!*

Other nations, when they are defeated, survive and recover. But should Israel be defeated, it would be destroyed. Had Nasser triumphed last June [Six Day War], he would have wiped Israel off the map, and no one would have lifted a finger.

No commitment to the Jews by any government, including our own, is worth the paper it is written on. There is a cry of outrage all over the world when people die in Vietnam or when two Negroes are executed in Rhodesia. But when Hitler slaughtered Jews, no one remonstrated with him.



Eric Hoffer

The Swedes, who are ready to break off diplomatic relations with America because of what we are doing in Vietnam, did not let out a peep when Hitler was slaughtering Jews. They sent Hitler choice iron ore, and ball bearings, and serviced his troop trains to Norway.

The Jews are alone in the world. If Israel survives, it will be solely because of Jewish efforts. And Jewish resources (like the G-d of Israel!).

Yet at this moment, Israel is our only reliable and unconditional ally. We can rely more on Israel than Israel can rely on us. And one has only to imagine what would have happened last summer, had the Arabs and their Russian backers won the war, to realize how vital the survival of Israel is to America and the West in general.

I have a premonition that will not leave me — as it goes with Israel, so it will go with all of us. Should Israel perish, the holocaust will be upon us. *Israel must live!* ✧

## The Verdict on Ehud Barak

- ✧ Charles Krauthammer says “[Barak]turned out to be a grandiose fool” who proved to have “no resolve, no bottom line as a national leader.”
- ✧ Don Feder says that Barak convinced the Palestinians that they could “squeeze him like a lemon,” and that “Lemon” became his nickname among the Arabs.
- ✧ Cal Thomas writes that “Jews have a habit of being their own worst enemies, worse sometimes than their declared enemies.”
- ✧ Dave Reagan asserts that “Barak has proved once more that a spineless policy of appeasement does nothing but whet the appetite of the aggressor.”
- ✧ *Jerusalem Post* cartoonist, Oleg, pictures Barak as a man who tried to sell the Jewish heritage.



# A Ministry Worthy of Your Support



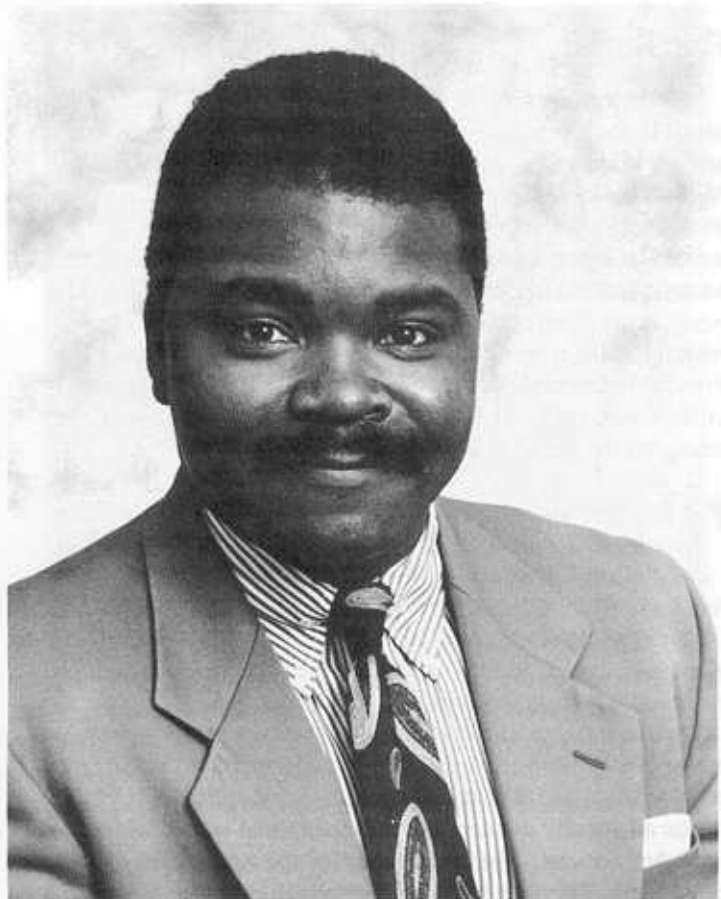
**D**on Perkins, founder of According to Prophecy Ministries, is the only Black evangelist in America who devotes full time to the preaching and teaching of Bible prophecy. He is a gifted speaker and writer who has an infectious sense of enthusiasm for the Lord's soon return.

Don grew up in a Christian family in southern Louisiana. While serving as the assistant pastor of a church in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, he joined the staff of Jimmy Swaggart Ministries where he worked for several years, serving in a variety of support capacities. During this time he developed considerable skills as an administrator.

In the early 90's Don and his family moved to San Diego, California where he joined the administrative staff of Morris Cerullo World Evangelism. While serving in this capacity, he began to schedule weekend prophecy conferences and meetings with churches throughout California.

The news about Don's wonderful ability to teach the Prophetic Word of God spread rapidly, and more and more invitations to speak came pouring in. Before long, Don was invited to join the staff at the Immanuel Institute as a part time prophecy teacher. About the same time, he began appearing weekly as the featured speaker on a television program called "Your Future in Bible Prophecy."

Don first became acquainted with Dave Reagan through his radio program which Don listened to in southern Louisiana over station KAJN. The two began corresponding about Bible



prophecy issues and then ministered together at a couple of prophecy conferences.

In the mid-90's Dave began to urge Don to resign his position with Cerullo Ministries and devote full time to his rapidly growing prophecy ministry. Don finally decided to take that faith step in October 1998. The years since have been tough ones financially, as they always are at the beginning of any ministry, but Don has persevered, and the Lord has blessed.

Today, Don's ministry is flourishing. He has an outstanding website at [www.millennianet.com/atpro4se](http://www.millennianet.com/atpro4se). His mailing address is P.O. Box 6, Lemon Grove, CA 91946. His email address is [atpro4se@millennianet.com](mailto:atpro4se@millennianet.com). His phone number is 619/443-4038.

Don has an outstanding selection of cassette tape programs. He has also produced a chart of end time events that is very enlightening.

Contact Don. Give him some words of encouragement. Make a donation to his ministry. Get on his mailing list. And urge your pastor to invite him to present a prophecy conference at your church. You will be blessed! ✨



Don Perkins is pictured above with his family. Left to right are his daughter, Tramaine; his wife, Marie; and his daughter, Bethany.



## Dr. Reagan's new book continues to draw enthusiastic responses.

Bob Waite of Morrisville, Pennsylvania —

"I just received your book, *Living for Christ in the End Times*. I couldn't put it down. I am almost through reading it, and I intend to read it again. It is helpful to my Christian walk, and it helps me take God out of the box I've had Him in. It's a long story about how I put Him there, but your book is so liberating to a person like me who got saved among Charismatics but over time became a conservative Baptist.

"I now — ten years after being saved — lead a Bible study and teach an adult Sunday School class, and sometimes I act like a person who believes that the only encounter you can have with the Holy Spirit is through reading the Bible.

"Your book has renewed my belief in relying on the supernatural power of God in my daily walk. I am not ready to go back to a full-blown Charismatic way of belief, but I am praying to be the best Spirit-filled Baptist the Lord will allow me to be."

Pastor Kenneth Humphries in Northern Ireland —

"My brother, thank you for such an amazing book. The joy and blessing while reading it was something I had not experienced in many years. It was just a real breath of fresh air surrounding the wonderful truth that is so dear to our hearts. *Living for Christ in the End Times* will surely be a best seller. Bless you dear brother and thank you!

"One of my fellow pastors read my copy and was just completely amazed and thrilled with your book. He had it re-read before going back to the Isle of Mann, so I knew I was not biased in my opinion of it."

Jack Van Impe in a letter to his supporters —

"The outstanding Bible scholar, Dr. David Reagan, has written a book which beautifully captures my heart and passion for ministering to you. It is entitled *Living for Christ in the End Times*.

"Dr. Reagan is a superbly educated brother in Christ . . . who understands our society but brings a balance between the spiritual and the temporal worlds in a refreshing and extraordinary way. Most importantly, he speaks to the everyday world in which we live. This is not a book of philosophy or theory; this is a book of inspiration and edification for you.

"One of the most fascinating features of the book is its frank and surprising picture of how we in North America fit into the latter days . . . This book helps one see what God has in store for us in the future.

"What can be done to prepare the United States and Canada for the return of Christ? What can *you* do? What must change? What cannot be done because it is already too late? This outstanding new book offers intriguing answers — answers based on the bedrock foundation of God's eternal Word!

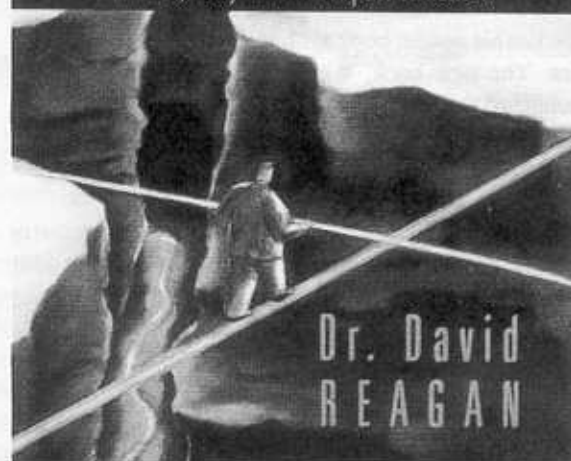
"One of the most crucial aspects of this fascinating book is its investigation of false cults and how they endanger believers . . . It is important for you to understand the terms — 'apostasy' and 'heresy' — and the key difference between the two. This book makes it clear."

Tim LaHaye, author of the "Left Behind" series —

"If every Christian understood the message of this book, America and the Church today would be working together to preserve our culture rather than treating each other as mortal enemies. David Reagan should be commended for writing this very readable book that not only explains why our nation is in moral decline, but offers a positive and workable solution."

## Living for Christ in the End Times

Balancing Today with the Hope of Tomorrow



Bob Russell, pastor of Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, Kentucky —

"With the decay of society and apostasy in the Church today, I applaud David Reagan for his clarion call to Christians. His definite demand to stand for righteousness and hold fast to the basic truths of Scripture in the last days helps us keep Christ's eternal perspective."

### The Nature of the Book

The book is a paperback that runs 263 pages in length. The first two chapters chronicle America's descent into paganism, spotlighting the decay of society and the increasing apostasy in the Church. The next ten chapters outline what the Christian response should be to a pagan society. The final two chapters discuss the ultimate victory over paganism that Christians will experience when Jesus returns.

The chapters on Christian living are down-to-earth and practical in nature. They cover such topics as "Standing on the Word of God," "Believing in the Power of God," "Relying on the Holy Spirit," "Practicing Tough Faith," "Ordering Priorities," "Keeping an Eternal Perspective," "Standing for Righteousness," "Persisting in Prayer," "Surrendering in Worship," and "Clinging to Hope."

The book sells for \$12 in the book stores. We are offering it for the same price, including the cost of mailing. Call 1-800/705-8316. ❖

# Ministry News

## National Religious Broadcasters Convention

The publisher of Dr. Reagan's new book, New Leaf Press of Green Forest, Arkansas, invited him to autograph copies of his book at the National Religious Broadcasters' regional convention held in Dallas in February. Dave signed books for over an hour and had a great time meeting broadcasters from all over the Southeastern United States.

Dave took advantage of the opportunity to discuss his newest book with potential publishers. The new book, which hopefully will be published this year, is about the book of Revelation. It is tentatively titled, *Wrath & Glory: The Meaning of Revelation*.



**Amerivision Income** — This past year the ministry received almost \$9,000 in income from Amerivision, the company that supplies long distance telephone service and gives a portion of its income to designated ministries. This income has been a great blessing to us, and we would like to see it increased. If you would like to help, please call the 800 number indicated in the display ad to the right and ask for your long distance service to be switched to Lifeline. Be sure to specify that you want Lamb & Lion Ministries to be the beneficiary of your long distance service.

**Video Update** — The video studio has been completed and two of the three studio cameras we need have been ordered. The third camera, together with a mini-boom to mount it on, will cost \$15,000. We have a list of other video equipment totaling \$80,000 that we would like to purchase this year. You can request a list of that equipment and select an item you would like to provide, or you can send a donation designated for "Video Production." We hope soon to make the studio available to other ministries and churches, and through that process we hope to start generating income that will eventually make the studio self-supporting.



Switch to Lifeline and help promote Christian family values in America. Tell the operator you want 10% of your monthly long distance charges given to Lamb & Lion Ministries.

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**Meeting Calendar** — In March Dave will be at the Oak Park Methodist Church in Temple, Texas (25). Dennis will be holding a meeting at the Parkview Church of Christ in Findlay, Ohio, (25-28). On March 30 Dave will speak to one of the mini-churches of Fellowship Bible Church North in Plano, Texas. In April Dave will speak to a conference of Mennonite Churches in Philadelphia (8) and to Christ's Church of the Valley in San Dimas, California (22). Dennis will conduct meetings at Destiny Christian Center in Washington, D.C. (8-11) and at First Christian Church in Collinsville, Illinois (April 29 - May 2).

**First Meeting** — This past summer Dave and Dennis conducted a prophecy conference in Jennings, Louisiana. While there they visited the building where Dave conducted his first meeting in the name of Lamb & Lion Ministries in May of 1980. At that time it was the Jennings Church of Christ. The building is pictured at left. ❖



# Mail, Faxes, & Email Messages

From Tim LaHaye regarding the review of his "Left Behind" series of books in the last issue of the *Lamp-lighter* —

"Thanks for the fabulous article in your great magazine. The best ever review! I needed that. The opposition is coming out of the woodwork after me."

## Radio Broadcast —

"I listen to you daily on 99.3, WJMM, in Lexington, Kentucky. I am also an avid reader of the Scriptures and the 'Left Behind' series. I was so blessed by your recent series of broadcasts about the 'Left Behind' series. They were an answer to prayer. You see, there has been much discussion among my Christian friends and with the pastor of my church as to what is fact and what is fiction in the series. Your broadcasts were clear and biblically based. I am passing the information I learned on to my brothers and sisters in Christ." — Kendra Jones in Stanford, Kentucky.

## Missions Outreach —

"I want to express my heartfelt thanks and appreciation for having the privilege to come and attend your one-of-its-kind seminar on Bible prophecy that you conducted in Santa Maria. I learned many things that I will be able to use in my ministry." — John C. Arquero in the Philippines.

## Website —

"I am a born again Christian who attends Calvary Chapel. I just want to say how much I've been enlightened by your website. I have used it to try to help others who don't know Jesus yet. Your site is such a blessing!" — Email message signed "L. J."

## Videos and Tapes —

"Just a quick note to let you know that I'm watching your Bible prophecy videos (*Preaching Prophecy*), and I am sharing them with my family. They are great! I'm anxious to share them with more people. I am also currently listening to your album of cassette tapes on the book of Revelation (*Revelation: An Overview*). I've been studying Revelation for years, but these are the very best tapes I have ever listened to. One final thing — please keep the *Lamp-lighter* coming!" — Barbara Chine in Orrville, Ohio.

## Magazine —

"Your issue on the 'Divinity of Jesus' (November - December 2000) was wonderful! Your collection of proof Scriptures was priceless. Please send me six additional copies." — Hart Armstrong of Christian Communication, Inc., Wichita, Kansas.



## Magazine and Radio —

"I am enclosing a donation to keep the *Lamp-lighter* coming. I really enjoy your magazine. You have the ability to write about a deep subject in a plain, understandable, interesting, conversational style. I appreciate the magazine and the 'Christ in Prophecy' programs." — Harry Hughes in Port Charlotte, Florida.

## Tapes, Tours, Magazine and Books —

"My wife and I were pilgrims with you on your tour of Israel two years ago, and God blessed us greatly . . . We review the trip frequently and hope to return some day.

"In the meantime, however, we have found great joy and inspiration studying under you through your cassette tapes, video tapes, magazine and books. Not only do we study your materials for devotional studies at home, but I use the materials quite frequently in my Sunday School lessons. We recently used your prophecy video series for Wednesday night Bible study at our church, and we hope to soon show them your video on the Middle East crisis." — Jack McMurry of Lake Isabella, California.

## Speaking Engagement —

"I would like to thank you for coming to Shepherd of the Hills Church in Porter Ranch, California. I was able to attend all four of the Sunday messages, and I found them very informative and motivating. Thank you for bringing so much passion to your work and especially to the concept that because Jesus is returning soon, our mission is urgent. Your obvious love for all people, whether God's Chosen People, the Body of Christ, or the Unbelieving Lost, was a powerful witness to all those that heard. I also thank you for giving a clear and simple salvation message at each of the services. I praise God for anointing men like you to shout the truth in love, without shame or hesitation." — George La Fontaine of Granada Hills, California.

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From a publication by Jews for Jesus



## Revised Video Ready for Distribution

The most popular video program ever produced by this ministry was the one that was taped in Israel in 1987 called "Israel in Bible Prophecy."

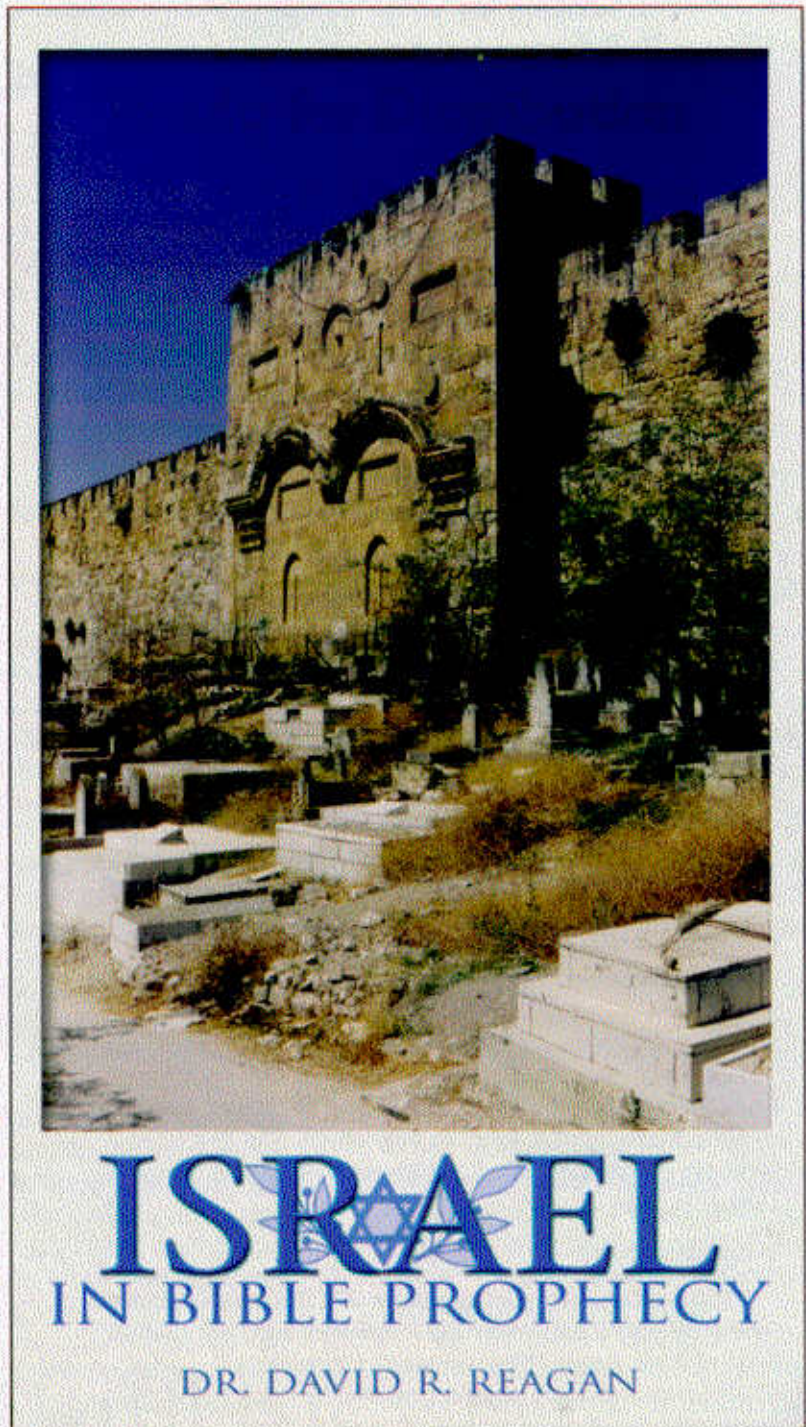
In September of this past year the ministry sent a video crew to Israel to re-shoot this program. After four months of editing, the program is now ready for distribution.

The new version features dialogue rather than narration as Dr. Reagan explains the fulfillment of prophecies in conversations with two young men. The two teenagers who appear in the video with Dr. Reagan are Trey and Preston Collich, the sons of the ministry's director of finance, George Collich, Jr.

The program explains seven prophecies that are being fulfilled in Israel today, all of which point to the soon return of Jesus.

- ✧ The Regathering of the Jewish people
- ✧ The Re-establishment of the state of Israel
- ✧ The Reclamation of the land of Israel
- ✧ The Revival of the Hebrew language
- ✧ The Resurgence of the Israeli military
- ✧ The Refocusing of world politics on Israel
- ✧ The Reoccupation of the city of Jerusalem by the Jews

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