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Observations by the Editor

Exciting Times

We are living in a unique period of human history when we can watch Bible prophecy being fulfilled before our very eyes. The Jews are being regathered to their homeland, the state of Israel has been re-established, and the Jews have regained control of the city of Jerusalem.

We are also beginning to understand prophecies that have never been understood before. This is due primarily to technological developments like atomic power, computers, lasers, robotics, satellites, and space travel.

One of the most significant prophecies being fulfilled today is the revival of the Roman Empire. Most Americans know very little about the newly formed European Union. That was certainly my situation before I spent a month preaching throughout the United Kingdom in March of 2000. As I talked with English experts on Bible prophecy, I was amazed to discover how far the European countries and England have already gone in surrendering their national sovereignties. It became very clear to me that a European superstate is rapidly emerging, just as prophesied by Daniel over 2,500 years ago.

The desire to revive the ancient Roman Empire has never died. The Pope tried to do it in the form of the Holy Roman Empire, but it proved to be an empire in name only. Others, like Napoleon and Hitler have tried to unite Europe through the use of force.

The fulfillment of the prophecy had to wait on God's timing. The amazing thing is that when God's timing came in the 1950's, the reunification of Europe into a super-state occurred *peacefully*. European nations who have hated each other for centuries suddenly seemed seized by a vision of a super-Europe, and they were motivated to put their ancient animosities aside and voluntarily surrender their sovereignty. Such a development could only have been the result of a move of God.

When I decided to devote a complete issue of our magazine to Europe in Bible prophecy, I immediately contacted some of the outstanding Bible prophecy experts I had met in Great Britain. I in-



Dr. David Reagan

vited them to contribute articles, and they graciously accepted my invitation.

Our Next Issue

The July-August Issue of this magazine will focus on all the Messianic prophecies of the Bible concerning both the First and Second Advents of Jesus. The issue will feature sections from the new edition of our *Christ in Prophecy Study Guide*. This guide was first published in 1987 and represented five years of research. It proved to be a very popular publication.

We ran out of copies of the Guide in 1991, and I have been meaning to revise it and get it re-published ever since that time. However, other projects kept interfering with my good intentions. Finally, about a year and a half ago, in response to persistent inquiries for copies of the Guide, I started to work seriously on producing a completely revised, updated version. It proved to be a formidable task, particularly because I decided to add both a topical index and a scripture index. Talk about tedious work! There were times when I thought I would never see light at the end of the tunnel.

But I rejoice to report that the Lord saw me through to the completion of the project. As I said before, it will be the focus of our next issue of this magazine, and the Guide itself should be ready for distribution in July. ❖

Europe in Bible Prophecy

Introduction

Dr. David R. Reagan

The most important prophetic development of the 20th Century was the regathering of the Jewish people to their historic homeland in the Middle East, resulting in the creation of the state of Israel on May 14, 1948. The second most important development was the formation of a European confederation known as The European Union. Both of these momentous historical events point to the fact that we are living in the end times, right on the threshold of the Tribulation and the Lord's return.

The Council of the Union is the chief legislative body. It is headquartered in Brussels, Belgium, and consists of 87 representatives appointed by the member states. Some decisions require a unanimous vote; most require a "qualified majority" of 62 votes. The voting is weighted in relation to the size of the countries.

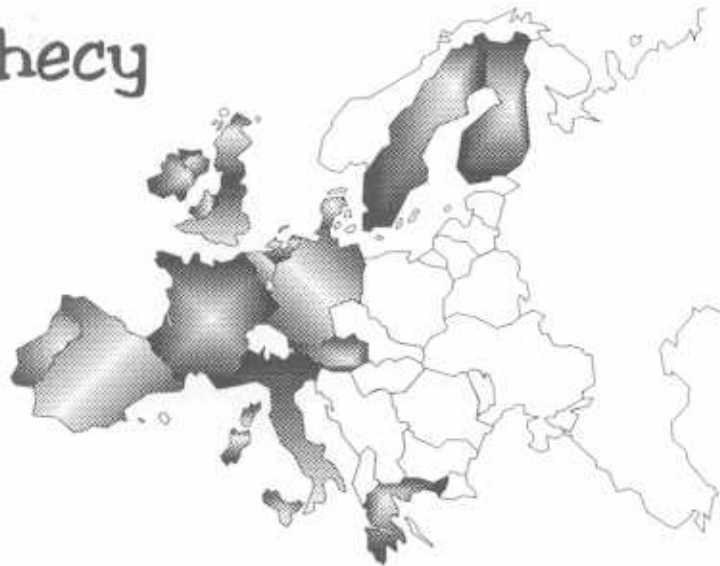
The Parliament of the Union consists of 626 members who are directly elected for five year terms. The Parliament is a parliament in name only. It is primarily a public forum whose members sit in blocs organized according to political views rather than nationalities. It has been growing in power in recent years. The Parliament holds its committee meetings at a facility in Brussels. Its plenary sessions are conducted at its elaborate new headquarters in Strasbourg, France. Although it has recently gained some "co-decision" power, its influence is felt primarily through its discussions and resolutions.

The Commission of the Union is the agency responsible for implementing legislation. It is the executive branch. There are 20 Commissioners — two each from France, Germany, Italy, Spain and Britain, and one from each of the other member states. They are appointed for five year terms. The Commission President is the chief executive officer of The European Union. Romano Prodi of Italy currently holds this position.

The Court of Justice has its headquarters in Luxembourg. There are 15 justices, one from each member state, appointed for terms of six years. Judgements of the Court in the field of EU law are binding on all members states, their national courts, their companies, and their private citizens. The decisions override those of national courts.

The Central Bank is located in Frankfurt, Germany and is responsible for monetary policy and the new Euro currency which was introduced in January 1999 and which will replace the member states national currencies in 2002.

Revenue for the Union in 2000 came to \$93.2 billion. The largest source of income was the 1.27% of Gross National Income that each member state is required to pay. In 2000 this levy produced 47.8% of the



The 15 members of the European Union are indicated above in the shaded areas.

Key Steps in the Development of the European Union

May 9, 1950

The Schuman Declaration

French Foreign Minister, Robert Schuman announces a plan conceived by French businessman Jean Monet to pool European coal and steel production under a common authority. The result was the creation of the European Coal and Steel Community (ECSC) in 1951 consisting of France, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium, and Luxembourg.

March 25, 1957

The Treaty of Rome

The six ECSC member states agree to set up a common market called The European Economic Community (EEC) which went into effect in January 1958.

January 1, 1973

First Expansion of the Community

Three nations are added to the community — Denmark, Ireland, and Britain. Later additions include Greece (1981), Spain and Portugal (1986), and Austria, Finland, and Sweden (1995).

June 7-10, 1979

First Elections

Members of the European Parliament are directly elected for the first time. Previously the parliaments of the member nations had appointed the representatives.

February 7, 1992

Maastricht Treaty

This treaty transforms the EEC from a strictly economic union to one that is both economic and political, creating the European Union in 1993.

Union's revenue. The next highest source (36.4%) came from a 1% VAT tax (value-added-tax) on goods and services. The rest of the income came from an assortment of agricultural levies and custom duties.

Emergence of a Super-State

The European Union is poised for a major expansion. In March 1998 the EU opened talks on full membership with six countries — Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Poland, and Slovenia. In October 1999 the Commission proposed talks with another six — Bulgaria, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Romania, and Slovakia. When these countries are added, nearly all the people of Europe will be joined in a single Union by free and democratic consent for the first time in history.

The movement for European unity which was launched in 1950 by Robert Schuman and Jean Monet (see the side bar on page 3) has gradually evolved into a super-state. An official publication of the Union states: "The EU system is inherently evolutionary. It was designed to allow for the gradual development of European unification and has not yet achieved its final form."¹

The European Union now manifests three of the most important characteristics of a state. It has a unified economic system, an integrated political structure, and a shared vision for the future. Prophecy teacher Jimmy DeYoung points out that it even has a common language — namely, English.² Although many languages are spoken by the member nations and their representatives, almost all know English because the Internet has made it the common trade language.

What the Union officially lacks is a military force. But it is in the making. A military staff has been assembled, with a commander-in-chief, and it currently has at its disposal 60,000 front line troops on standby, with 400 assault aircraft and up to 80 warships.³ The British government refers to it as a "Rapid Reaction Force." That is nothing but a euphemism for an army. It has been dubbed "Eurocorps" by the rest of Europe, and it is supposed to be ready for action in 2003. The British are downplaying this military arm of the Union because they want to continue their partnership with the United States in NATO. The French would like to see the Eurocorps replace NATO, as it probably will. ❖ (See notes on page 12.)

Relating the EU to Bible Prophecy

Kenneth Humphries

An often asked question these days as I travel from place to place preaching the prophetic message is, "Does Europe really have a role in biblical prophecy?" The answer to this question is an emphatic, "Yes!" In fact, the role of a unified Europe in end time prophecy is much clearer in the Bible than the role of the world's only current super power — the United States. The book of Daniel establishes with certainty that a unified Europe will rise in the end times out of the ashes of the old Roman Empire.

Throughout the centuries since Rome fell, many political leaders have dreamed of resurrecting the Roman Empire. Napoleon Bonaparte, Benito Mussolini, Adolf Hitler, and Winston Churchill, for different reasons and with differing motives, all shared the vision of a United States of Europe. But that vision had to await God's timing for its fulfillment. That timing came at the end of World War II.

Factors Contributing to Union

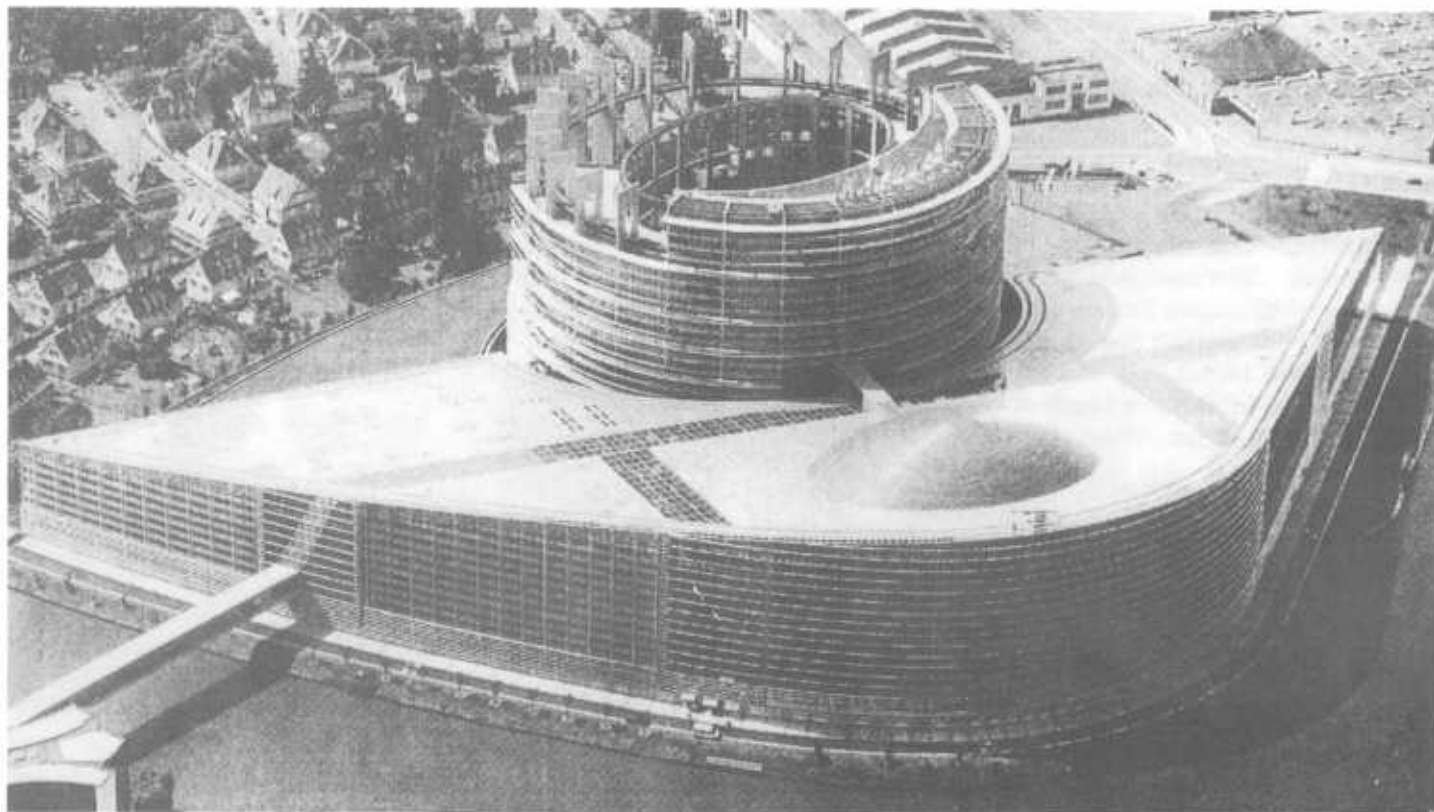
Most of Europe was completely devastated by the war. That devastation prompted various nations in Western Europe to put aside their age-old hatreds and jealousies in order to reach out to each other for mutual support and aid. The result was a series of economic unions which helped to spur the European economy.

The collapse of Communism throughout Eastern Europe in the late 1980's and the early 1990's removed the biggest remaining barrier to European union. Germany was reunited and all of Eastern Europe was liberated to seek its own destiny. That destiny has proved to be an expanding European union.

When the Treaty on European Union, signed in Maastricht (the Netherlands) on February 7, 1992, came into force on November 1, 1993, it gave European integration a whole new



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The extravagant Parliament building in Strasbourg, France. Notice its Tower of Babel motif.

dimension. The European Community, which was essentially economic in aspiration and content, was transformed into a full-fledged political entity known as The European Union.

The European Attitude

The significance of this new political union in the European mind is well stated in an official publication of the European Union:

The building of a united Europe is undoubtedly one of the greatest historical undertakings of the 20th Century. It is a process grounded in the positive values with which our civilization identifies — the preservation of peace, economic and social progress, respect for the person, and the predominance of right over might . . .

Six countries originally rallied to the concept of a united Europe, now there are fifteen, while more than ten others feel drawn towards that ideal and have applied to join the European Union.

The 20th Century bears tragic scars left by the rise and then the collapse of the totalitarian ideologies. As the third millennium dawns, the movement towards a voluntary union among Europe's peoples is . . . clearly the only credible answer to the hazards and opportunities posed by the increasing globalization of the world economy.¹

The foremost symbol of this new European confederation is the Euro, a common currency that all members of the European Union are supposed to start using in place of their national currencies on January 1, 2002. The announcement of an agreement on the Euro was greeted in some quarters with an enthusiasm that bordered on blasphemy. Portuguese Prime Minister

Antonio Guterres raved: "As Peter was the rock on which the church was built, so the Euro is the rock on which the European Union will be built."²

The Biblical Significance

The biblical significance of these momentous developments in Europe has been widely recognized by students of Bible prophecy. For example, commenting on the signs of the times that point to the Lord's soon return, Dr. S. Franklin Logsdon wrote:

The present statehood of Israel is a powerful indication of the ending of the age. The Ecumenical Movement is another. Perhaps equal to either of these is the European Common Market with its many implications . . . it is an economic community, a breaking down of national barriers, a getting together on certain common bases. The whole idea is to re-shape the face of Europe. This was attempted by Caesar, by Napoleon, and by Hitler, but their means to this end were not subtle or as workable as those proposed by the Common Market. They used ammunition; today's promoters use bread. And let it be said that the re-shaping of the face of Europe approximates the kingdom to arise out of the old Roman Empire — the last Gentile power.³

Those words were written in 1973, long before the European Economic Community had evolved into the much stronger and more significant European Union of 1993.

The question is, can we find this newly emerging power bloc in Scripture? Yes, I believe we can. Chapters 2 and 7 of Daniel is where the European sign is revealed. We are told that the prophecies given to Daniel in these chapters relate to "the latter

days" (2:28), "to what would take place in the future" (2:29). Daniel's prophecies are based upon a dream which God gave to Nebuchadnezzar (2:31-35). Interpreting that dream, Daniel concluded that it revealed a succession of Gentile empires, beginning with the Babylonian Empire, followed by Medo-Persia, Greece and Rome (2:36-40).

The last Gentile world empire will be a confederation of nations (2:41-43) that will arise out of the old Roman Empire (7:7-8). And out of that confederation, the Antichrist will arise, using the revived Roman Empire as his base to conquer the world (7:8, 23-25). But this final Gentile empire will be short-lived, for it will be suddenly crushed by the return of the Messiah who will "set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed" (2:44).

The Practical Meaning

I believe that today, before our very eyes, we are witnessing the fulfillment of these ancient prophecies of Daniel. Europe has reunited into a revived Roman Empire that is expanding rapidly in size. As it grows, and as national identities are de-emphasized, it will most likely be divided into ten administrative areas, just as Daniel prophesied (2:42-44 and 7:7 — the ten toes of chapter 2 correspond to the ten horns of chapter 7).

What does all this mean for you and me? If what we are seeing on the European scene just now is indeed what God has prophesied — and I, for one, am without doubt it is so — then we are on the threshold of the Lord's return. Are you ready for such an event? If not, then do you know what to do? There is only one way to get ready and that is to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and be saved! If you are saved, then pray for the salvation of your family members and your friends and neighbors. And then witness Jesus to them. Don't let those you love and care about go to an awful Hell. ❖ (See notes on page 12)



Robert Schuman and Jean Monnet

The New Unholy Roman Empire

Alan Franklin

I have been a journalist since 1964, spending ten years as a chief reporter and the last 17 as the editor of a journal serving a quarter of a million readers in southeast England in the London area. As a Christian versed in prophecy I cannot help but see in the emerging European superstate the foundations of a one world government with a one world dictator at its head — the man whose Biblical names include "the Beast," "the man of sin" and "the Antichrist."

In fact, leaders in Europe are already calling for a strong leader, saying that committees do not work and they need more inspired leadership. German Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer repeated his call for a European government in July, 2000, and said the European single currency — the Euro — was "the first step to a federation." He added that he wanted a "powerful president."¹



Joschka Fischer

Fischer said his aim was "nothing less than a European parliament and a European government, which really do exercise legal and executive power," to operate under his powerful president. More sinisterly, he welcomed the progress made in removing the "sovereign rights" of nations which he defined as control of currency and control of internal and external security.

In summary, Fischer said, "Political union is the challenge for this generation."²



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The Desire for a Superstate

I was invited to Brussels, where the European Parliament is situated, in my role as publisher of a business newspaper. I watched the vote taken as eleven countries abandoned their own currencies to form a united Eurozone with the euro replacing everything from the lira of Italy to the Irish pound. They were effectively voting for the abolition of the nation state, and it was astonishing to see with what little formality or protest countries like France and Germany gave up control of their financial and economic destiny to join in the project to create "a common European home," as the founding fathers of the European Union put it. No mention was made of the crippling cost to nations of scrapping their currencies.

After the vote I went to lunch with six MEPS — Members of the European Parliament — of different political parties. We talked about the future and I said that, as they now had one parliament and one currency, they were in many senses effectively one country. They could not really disagree, as the EU has all the trappings of a state, even its own embryonic army — the planned 60,000 rapid-reaction Eurocorps. So I asked: "Have any of you thought about the next step?" They asked me what I meant. So I explained that, with one currency and one parliament, the next big step was to have one leader or one fuhrer, (one Antichrist!). After all, it was Hitler who was the last leader who tried to unify Europe under one Government with one currency.

The Desire for a Superman

That many in Europe have been thinking on these lines for years is shown in a chilling quote from Paul-Henri Spaak, former Belgian Prime Minister and President of the Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe nearly 50 years ago. He



Paul-Henri Spaak

said: "We do not want another committee. We have too many already. What we want is a man of sufficient stature to hold the allegiance of all people, and to lift us out of the economic morass in which we are sinking. Send us such a man and, be he God or the devil, we will receive him."³

More recently Jack Lang, then president of the French National Assembly's foreign affairs committee, said that the EU "needs a single figure at the helm." Attacking the inertia in European foreign policy, he said Europe needed a strong central government with a single "personality" in control.⁴ Students of Bible prophecy will have little doubt who this "personality" will be.

A Global Vision

The present format of the EU cannot last, and it was never intended that it should. Right from the beginning, the founders had grand, globalist ambitions. Addressing the European Policy Centre in September, 2000, Belgian Prime Minister Guy Verhofstadt described the subterfuge adopted to set up the embryonic EU. "With the European Coal and Steel Community, the seeds were sown of the European Union of today. It was the initial impetus to the development of a community approach, step by step forging Euro-



Guy Verhofstadt



The grand meeting room of the European Parliament in Strasbourg, France.



Romano Prodi

Chief Executive Officer of the European Union

“The EU is now embarked on three historic journeys:

the consolidation of its economic integration through the establishment of the single European currency, the Euro;

the implementation of a common European foreign and security policy;

and the real and democratic unification of the European continent through the accession to the EU of the countries of Central and Eastern Europe.

The EU will soon be a community of 500 million citizens.”

pean integration by joining, and sometimes also by abolishing, national sovereignty into a joint approach.”⁵

Turning to the next great leap forward, Verhofstadt said: “It is of the utmost importance to keep in mind a global vision of the ultimate goal of European unification.” This is a good thing, he explained, because “the European Union as it is now could never be the ultimate goal.” He said the pace of integration must never slacken lest, “in the worst case, countries will start to plead for the restoration of their former sovereignty.”⁶ Notice that national sovereignty — independence — is referred to in the past tense.

Underlying Values

Next came the real bombshell. The Belgian said that there must be values underpinning this vast undertaking — the largest coming together of countries in the history of the world. But whose values? His answer: “the values which resulted from the French Revolution.”⁷ So, the values of the brave new Europe are to be those of the country which gave us the guillotine, the reign of terror and the time of blood washing through the streets of France!

“The Portman Papers,” a quarterly newsletter keeping watch on developments in the superstate, says in its October 2000 edition: “Verhofstadt’s values come from this. Eight years before the French Revolution began in 1789 with the Declaration of The Rights of Man, the General Council of Freemasonry at Wilhelmsbad, convened by Adam Weishaupt, founder of the Illuminati, drew up the blueprint. Its evil spirit was epitomized in Maximilian Robespierre, whose technique of terror anticipated Stalin’s by 100 years.”⁸

The French Reign of Terror claimed over a million victims. Inmates of prisons were slaughtered. Human heads were counted up like scores on cards. The terror was justified in the name of “democracy.” Similarly the coming clampdown on free speech, religious freedom and free political parties by the “beast of Brussels” system is being justified by words like “anti-discrimination” and a “charter of rights.”

Other Influences

What is emerging in Europe is a new Holy European Empire, an attempt to resurrect the old Holy Roman Empire that existed under the Pope. This is becoming increasingly blatant. The Vatican is playing a major role in the creation of the new European Empire, and Catholic social values — so-called “Christian Socialism” — are at its heart. The present Pope has repeatedly called for religious unity in Europe. This means a united, Catholic Europe, which was consecrated to Mary by the Vatican in 1309.

When I visited Strasbourg, the French city near the German border which, with Brussels, co-hosts the European Parliament, I was introduced to the head of the house of Habsburg, Otto von Habsburg, a man whose family dominated Europe for centuries. Full of charm and intelligence, he said that instead of war, a great new Europe could be built on peaceful co-operation. His ideas go far beyond this, however. In his book, *The Social Order of Tomorrow*, he writes:



Otto von Habsburg

Now we do possess a European symbol which belongs to all nations equally. This is the crown of the Holy Roman Empire, which embodies the tradition of Charlemagne, the ruler of a united occident . . . the Crown represents not merely the sovereignty of the monarch, but also the ties between authority and the people. True, it is the monarch who is crowned, but in this sacred act he appears as the representative of the whole people. It should therefore be considered whether the European head of state, as the protector of European law and justice, should not also become the guardian of a symbol which, more than any other,

represents the sovereignty of the European community.⁹

Dr. Habsburg wants to see Europe have an elected head of state — a man elected for life. This influence of both Charlemagne and the Habsburgs hangs heavily over the new federal Europe. The crown of Charlemagne, the first person to attempt to revive the Roman Empire in 800 AD, is an inspiration to those who promote the breaking down of nation states, and a Charlemagne prize has been established for those



The Crown of Charlemagne

who work hardest for European unity. One who did was ex-President Clinton, who in June 2000, was the first American president to receive the Charlemagne prize for his work in promoting European unity. He received the prize at the cathedral in Aachen, Germany, where the first Holy Roman Emperor lies buried. Clinton called for an enlargement of the EU to even take in Russia.

America and the EU

In a report in *The Daily Telegraph*, President Clinton said the European Union should have at least 30 member states, including all the nations of the Balkans, Turkey and possibly even Russia. He said that European peace and prosperity now depended on the EU setting its boundaries ever wider. The report stated that Mr. Clinton was determined to be viewed as “part of a family of statesmen associated with European integration.”¹⁰ He held private talks with Helmut Kohl, the former German Chancellor, in Berlin.

Although Mr. Kohl has been discredited by a party funding scandal inside the Christian Democrat Union party, he is still regarded as the most important force behind European integration in the past 30 years. It is easy to see how these two suspect “statesmen” have much in common, but it is difficult to see how the establishment of a major, often anti-American power block in Europe could be in America’s interests, and thus it is surprising that it has been American policy to push for greater unification of Europe.

Perhaps America’s fine new President is the man to see the folly of this. ♣ (See notes on page 12)

Religious Symbols of the European Union

Alan Franklin

The Bible teaches that the Revived Roman Empire of the end times will be a creation of Satan, and out of it will come his representative, the Antichrist. The fact that the formation of the European Union has major spiritual implications is reflected in the religious symbols that the Union has adopted in the form of its flag, its anthem, its architecture, and its basic logo.

The Madonna

The European Union’s flag consists of 12 stars, inspired by the halo of 12 stars that appear around the Madonna in Catholic pictures of her. A former secretary general of the Council of Europe, Leon Marchal, affirmed that the stars are those of “the woman of the Apocalypse.” Enthusiastically he explained, “It’s wonderful that we have gotten back to the Introit of the new Mass of the Assumption. It’s the *corona stellarum duodecim* (the crown of the twelve stars) of the woman of the Apocalypse.”¹¹ This is a reference to the woman in Revelation 12 who appears with a crown of 12 stars. Although this woman represents Israel, the Catholic Church has always claimed that she represents the virgin Mary, “the mother of God.”

The EU, which now has 15 member countries, has confirmed that the number of stars will always stay at 12, which indicates that the stars do not represent countries. I quote from a leaflet, “Building Europe Together,” which I was given on a visit

to EU headquarters in Brussels: “The European flag (is) a shared flag, blue with 12 gold stars symbolizing completeness. The number will remain 12 no matter how many countries there are in the European Union.”¹²

The Anthem

The same document, issued to commemorate “Europe Day, May 9,” also touts Europe’s new common anthem, “Ode To



Flags of the EU. The topmost, with the 12 stars in a circle, is the official EU flag.

Joy," the prelude to the last movement of Beethoven's ninth symphony. The EU document states that although the anthem officially is the "Ode To Joy," it really is an "ode to freedom — to a sense of community and to peace between the 15 countries which have decided to unite and to others which will freely decide to join them."

In fact the "Ode To Joy" is not quite that innocent. The lyrics, by a man named Friedrich von Schiller, concern the entering of the shrine of a pagan goddess and the uniting of all men in brotherhood, by the power of magic.³



The Tower of Babel

An amazing poster was issued by the European Union, showing the Tower of Babel and carrying the slogan: "Many tongues, one voice." In case the point was lost, a crane in the background was shown rebuilding the tower. Above the Tower of Babel were shown the eurostars, but inverted, as in witchcraft, with the central points downwards.

The story of the rise and fall of Babylon told in Genesis chapter eleven should have been a warning to all men for all time. Nimrod and his followers tried to build a tower to reach the heavens, but it was the counterfeit building of a counterfeit religion.

Mystical Babylon is now being rebuilt in Europe, and those who would follow Nimrod have now succeeded in building a parliament building in Strasbourg, France, whose centerpiece is an enormous replica of the unfinished tower of Babel. Even the secular press could not miss the connection between the old and new towers of Babel. They labeled the new French structure "The Tower of Eurobabel." This monumental building, full of labyrinthine corridors, is used only one week in four, because the rest of the time the EU Parliament meets in committees in Brussels. Every three weeks the whole caboodle shuffles between the two sites in a fleet of 200 trucks, at enormous expense. An MEP I know was there on the day Eurobabel

opened and reported total chaos in the £300 million structure, commenting: "If they can't run a building, should we trust them with a continent?"

Nigel Farage is a member of the European Parliament who belongs to the United Kingdom Independence Party, which is fighting to get Britain out of the superstate. He said in an article just after the opening day: "We realize we are not merely entering a building, but being allowed access to the temple of a bold new empire."⁴

The Woman Riding a Beast

Another demonic biblical symbol that is being used in conjunction with the European Union is the one from Revelation 17 where a "great harlot" is depicted riding a beast. For some strange and unknown reason this symbol is being used to represent the EU! For example, when Britain issued a stamp to commemorate the first European Parliament elections in 1979, the picture on the stamp depicted a woman riding a beast.

According to the Rev. Dr. Ian Paisley, a Northern Ireland Protestant minister and member of the European Parliament, the woman on a beast is now the official picture of the EU. He points out that the multi-million dollar new parliament building in Brussels, Belgium, contains a dome with a colossal painting, three times life size, of a woman riding a beast.

In Strasbourg, France, the rival parliamentary building (the one with the Tower of Babel) features a mural of a naked woman riding a beast. Likewise, the new Brussels headquarters of the Council of Europe contains a bronze statue of a woman riding a beast, and the beast is depicted riding on waves, just as in Revelation 17.

Scripture is being fulfilled before our eyes, for those with eyes to see. ♣ (See notes on page 12.)



This issue of *Der Spiegel* features the logo of the EU. The headline says, "Good Morning Europe!" The sub-title warns against American influence within Europe.

Removing Britain's Obstacle to the European Union

Alan Franklin

One person who recognized too late exactly what the European Union was all about was former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, one of the greatest leaders of modern times and Britain's finest Prime Minister since Winston Churchill. Just before she was stabbed in the back by traitors and turncoats, I was invited to a meeting with Mrs. Thatcher in October 1991 at Stationers' Hall, the magnificent London headquarters of an ancient British livery company.

There, in the shadow of St. Paul's Cathedral, Mrs. Thatcher spoke forcefully without notes to a small gathering of editors. She had a command of history, geography, economics and science as well as politics and switched fluently from one discipline to another. Both a trained barrister (top lawyer) and research chemist, this lady has a magnificent mind and, with President Reagan, her great friend, could share the credit for ending the cold war. All who heard her that day were greatly impressed. Who could challenge this woman? Who could best her in debate?

The Strong Woman

While the answer was "nobody," the plotting was by then well underway in smoke-filled rooms in the Houses of Parliament, under Big Ben alongside the River Thames in London. The men who brought her down didn't need to "best" her, they just needed to hatch the plot which gave them the upper hand in any move against her. My wife and I, by then well aware of the double-dealing that characterizes the building of the European superstate, and the dark forces behind it, knew she hadn't long left in power when she began to speak out strongly against the spreading of EU powers.

After one powerful speech in favor of drawing a line in the sand and ceding no more sovereignty to Brussels, I remember thinking: "You are not going to last long." Within weeks she was gone. She had ruled for 11 years, and during that time Britain had been taken seriously in world councils. She was truly "The Iron Lady."

The Weak Man

With Maggie gone, the way was clear for Britain to go full speed ahead into Europe. Her replacement, John Major, was a pathetic little man, looking very much like the former bank clerk he once was. Clearly chosen because he could be bent to anyone's will and would do as he was told, he was soon labeling anyone who didn't want to give up British control of our own affairs as crazy or "bastards." I met him in Downing Street in December 1991, just a few days after he had taken office. So unprepossessing was he that nobody recognized him. He started chatting with me because I was the only one who noticed him. While pleasant enough, with no airs and graces, it was obvious that this was no leader in the



John Major



Thatcher mold. With Maggie, you were in awe and proud to have met her. Mr. Major, by contrast, was shy and diffident and, while being polite and pleasant if you wanted him to pose for a picture, he did not inspire great confidence as a leader of the free world.

The Overpowering Superstate

Christina Speight, editor of "Facts, Figures and Phantasies" (an anti-EU newsletter), wrote in her May 2000 editorial; "Your [England's] chains are forged — a Euro dictatorship is planned." She observed that the proposals of the EU Parliament's constitutional affairs committee "make it clear that what we are seeing looming on our horizon is not just an emerging Eurostate, as we have long feared, but a **full-bodied Euro dictatorship.**"

Pointing to the pending legislation to suspend political parties the EU does not approve of, she added: "So, the Europol storm troopers will be sent in to close down party branches. Just like in the 20's and 30's. And who is to judge if a new party can be suspended . . . why the existing parties, of course." Yes, the coming Eurocorps — or should it be korps — may well one day be sent in to quell anti-EU protests on the streets of London or Edinburgh.

Perilous times lie ahead for Europe, but God's Word assures us that His Son will triumph in the end.

Maranatha! ❖

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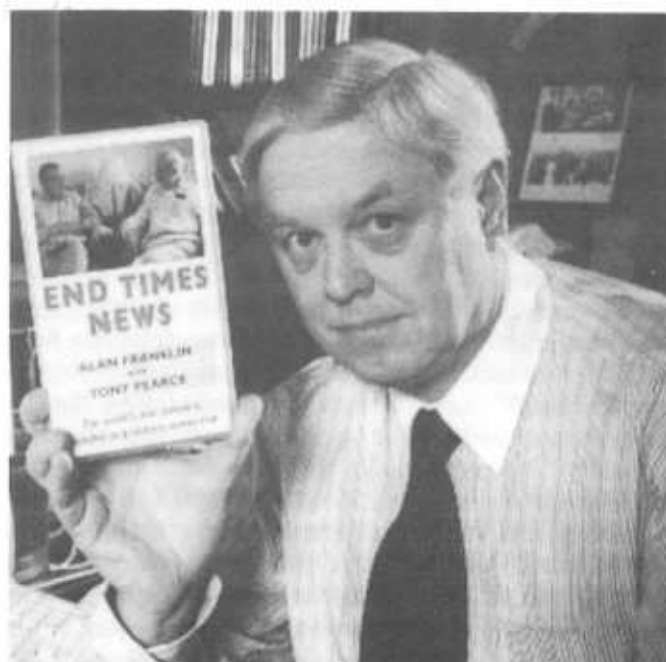
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Informative Video Available

Alan Franklin, the author of three of the articles in this issue, has produced an excellent video about developments in Europe today and how they relate to end time Bible prophecy. It was released in Europe under the name, "End Time News." Here in the States it has been issued under a more descriptive title: "EU: Final World Empire."

The distributor in the United States is Hearthstone Publishing Company, P.O. Box 815, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73101. Their email address is hearthstone@cox.net. Their toll-free phone number is 1-888/891-3300. The video, which runs approximately 2 hours, sells for \$19.95 plus \$4 for shipping.

Featured with Mr. Franklin on the video is Tony Pearce, director of The Messianic Testimony, a London area outreach ministry to Jews. Mr. Pearce is a prolific speaker and writer on prophetic issues. He edits a newsletter called "Light for the Last Days," and he oversees the Bridge Lane Chapel in Golders Green, London.



The Euro Symbol

The graphic symbol for the Euro looks like an E with two clearly marked parallel lines across it.

The symbol was inspired by the Greek letter epsilon, in reference to the cradle of European civilization, and by the first letter of the word, Europe. The parallel lines are supposed to represent the stability of the Euro.

The official abbreviation for the Euro is EUR. There will be seven euro-denominated notes and eight coins. For a short period in early 2002, there will be a dual circulation while the national currency notes and coins are withdrawn.

Late Breaking News About the European Union

Formation of EU Army Speeded Up

(Reuters News Agency, Brussels, Belgium, April 11, 2001)

The European Union's top military planner, General Gustav Hagglund of Finland, announced that the European Union's planned "Rapid Reaction Force" should be ready by the end of 2001 to conduct small peacekeeping operations.

"I am rather optimistic we will have a force for certain operations, not for the most demanding, but we will have some initial capabilities," General Hagglund told reporters after he had concluded talks with the EU foreign policy chief, Javier Solana. General Hagglund will be the one responsible for making recommendations to Solana on how the EU military force should respond to crisis situations.

Demands by Turkey for a greater say in decision-making have thus far prevented the EU from making a deal to use NATO forces, as needed. Turkey is not yet a member of the EU, although it wants to join. Turkey is a member of NATO.

General Hagglund made it clear that if a deal cannot be brokered to use NATO's assets, the EU will proceed on its own to develop its own military resources.

The EU Parliament gave the Union's superpower ambitions a further push with a resolution calling for "the creation of a European Foreign Office" and the abolition of the national veto over foreign affairs decisions.

Anti-Americanism Shaping the EU

(The Daily Telegraph of London, England, April 11, 2001)

Chris Patten, the European Union's external affairs commissioner, announced that plans are underway to boost the role of the EU in international relations by using its power as the world's biggest aid donor to shape the international scene. He asserted that the EU needs to raise its profile around the world. "We should try to ensure that our political influence comes nearer to matching our economic weight," he said.

His comments were based on the fact that the aid programs of the 15 EU members states provide 55% of the world's development aid and 66% of outright grants.

Mr. Patten dismissed suggestions that Brussels is attempting to dominate global affairs, challenging the United States on a broad range of issues far beyond Europe's borders. "We're not seeking a hegemonistic role," he observed.

However, Geoffrey Van Orden, the British Tory Party's spokesman in Brussels, stated that hostility towards America has become the "sub-text" of the EU's common foreign and security policy. "People are quick to say they support the transatlantic links and the NATO alliance, but the actions taken are all going in a different direction. The truth is that anti-Americanism is the binding theme."

Ariel Sharon Gets Tough

It took a groveling wimp like Ehud Barak to convince the Israeli people that Arafat is not interested in peace. After Barak offered Arafat everything except the keys to the Knesset, Arafat still demanded more, making it crystal clear to even the Israeli peaceniks that he has no interest in peace.

Arafat's intransigence in the face of such a generous offer from Barak caused a shift in Israeli public opinion of earthquake proportions. Realizing at long last that Arafat's true aim is the destruction of Israel, the Israeli's turned to a tough former general, Ariel Sharon, and gave him the greatest electoral victory in Israeli history. Unlike Barak who proved to have no understanding of politics and who therefore tried to run the Israeli government like he had previously run the army (by simply issuing orders), Sharon is a proven master of the Byzantine Israeli political scene.

Sharon deftly crafted the most broadly based unity government in the history of Israel and then announced there would be no renewal of negotiations with the Palestinians until their terrorist activities ceased. He also began to respond to terrorism with strong military actions.

Sharon became the first Prime Minister in Israeli history to demand that he be sworn into office with his hand on a Bible. His extensive writings have long revealed that he is a man who understands and appreciates the biblical history of Israel and the prophetic significance of the regathering of the Jewish people to their homeland. ✧



Dry Bones cartoon from the *Jerusalem Post*

TIMES and Seasons

Philadelphia — During a recent ministry trip to Philadelphia, Dr. Reagan was informed that some of the public schools have changed the American Pledge of Allegiance to be stated publicly as follows: "I pledge allegiance to the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands." That's it! They have dropped the rest: "One nation, under God, with liberty and justice for all." May God have mercy on them and our nation.

Netherlands — The Associated Press reports that the Parliament of the Netherlands voted on April 10 to legalize euthanasia. The new legislation will go into effect this summer.

This abominable law makes the Netherlands the first nation to allow doctors to end the lives of patients who claim to have "unbearable terminal illnesses." Actually, the law merely formalizes a practice that has been utilized discreetly in Dutch hospitals and homes for decades.

Over 10,000 euthanasia opponents surrounded the parliament building while the bill was being voted on. They prayed, sang hymns, and quoted Bible verses. One 19 year old protestor told the press, "We don't have the right to decide about matters of life and death. That is for God to decide. As Christians we simply cannot support this law."

Several countries unofficially tolerate the practice of euthanasia. They include Switzerland, Colombia and Belgium. In the United States, the state of Oregon started permitting doctor-assisted suicide in 1996. The Northern Territories of Australia authorized the practice in 1996, but it was revoked by the federal parliament in 1997.

Dr. Reagan has long stated in his radio programs and writings that "any society that will allow parents to kill their children will ultimately allow children to kill their parents."

Richardson, Texas — On April 7, 2001 the governor of Texas, Rick Perry, made history when he materialized before a group of Richardson business leaders in the first successful demonstration of a new technology called "teleportation."

The governor was in the state capital in Austin, but his three-dimensional, holographic image was being beamed to the University of Texas at Dallas using Internet2, a network connecting universities and corporations.

Governor Perry said he considered the event to be as significant as when Alexander Graham Bell made his first phone call to Thomas Watson.

The Dallas Morning News featured a color photograph of the chairman of the event standing at a podium talking with Governor Perry who was standing next to him (except the governor was really in Austin, Texas).

"Beam me up, Scottie!" has become a reality, helping us to understand how, during the Tribulation, the False Prophet will make an image of the Antichrist appear to come alive (Revelation 13:13-15).

Los Angeles — Reuters Press reported on April 16 that renowned film maker Steven Spielberg recently resigned from the Los Angeles advisory board of the Boy Scouts of America. He stated that his reason for doing so was because "he could no longer associate with a group that engages in discrimination" — an apparent reference to scouting's exclusion of homosexuals. He added, "The last few years in scouting have deeply saddened me to see the Boy Scouts of America actively and publicly participating in discrimination. It's a real shame."

A spokesman for the Boy Scouts' Los Angeles council responded by stating, "We are not discriminating. We are setting membership standards. Every group has its standards. The Girl Scouts have a rule that you have to be a girl." Referring to the recent U.S. Supreme Court decision (June 2000) that upheld the Scouts' right to exclude homosexuals, the Boy Scout spokesman said, "If we had lost that case, then no group would have been able to set any membership standards at all."

Spielberg's attempt to impose the ungodly morality of Hollywood on the Boy Scouts is just the latest in a nation wide attack on the Scouts that is designed to force them to change their membership standards. Here is a summary of other recent actions:

- School districts across the country are denying Scouts the privilege of using their facilities for meetings.
- Major cities like Chicago, San Francisco, and San Jose have denied Scouts access to city parks.
- Companies like Chase Manhattan Bank and Textron have withdrawn hundreds of thousands of dollars in support to scouting groups.
- Many local United Way chapters are cutting off funding to Scouts.
- A troop of young Scouts was loudly booed while making a presentation at the Democratic National Convention.
- A coalition of anti-Scout groups recently organized a series of nationwide rallies under the banner, "Scouting for All." Their protestors displayed signs that said, "Bigoted Scouts of America" (a spin on "BSA").

All this hate is directed at an organization whose oath reads as follows: "On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight." The Scout Law that oath refers to states that a Scout will be "trustworthy, loyal, helpful, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent." The Scout motto is "Be prepared." The Scout slogan is "Do a good turn daily."

Long ago the prophet Isaiah said that when a society rebels against God, it will "call evil good, and good evil," and it will "substitute darkness for light and light for darkness" (Isaiah 5:20).

Christians need to pray earnestly for the Boy Scouts of America, asking the Lord to protect them from harassment and to encourage their national leadership to stand firm in their opposition to ungodliness. ❖

Is God a Conservative?

Dennis Pollock

By most definitions I am a conservative. I strongly oppose abortion, still believe that homosexuality is a sin rather than an "orientation," favor small government, and hold that people generally ought to take responsibility for their own lives and actions. I support the death penalty; I am appalled by our national debt; and I spanked my children when they were small (as needed).

I am not alone. While not so numerous on the east and west coasts, the middle section of our nation has millions of folks pretty much like me.

Conservatism and Liberals

Liberals don't like us much. They generally figure we are kind of dumb, bigoted, hypocritical, and not a lot of fun at parties. They mock our religion as primitive superstition, and ridicule our views as hopelessly outdated.

The thing that seems to gall them the most is the idea that we sometimes base our claims upon the Bible, or give the barest hint that our side is God's side and vice-versa. Most liberals are not quite ready to give up the notion of God altogether; they just prefer a rather bland, generic god who minds his own business and has little to say about life and behavior. When we base our opposition to abortion, homosexuality, or huge government debt on the Bible or somehow relate our views to our faith in God, the liberals bring out their heaviest artillery of sarcasm and bombast to put us in our place.

Conservatism and the Bible

Two points have to be readily admitted. First, not every sacred cow held in reverence by political conservatives can be supported by Scripture, or is necessarily written in holy stone. Some Christians mistakenly devour conservative commentaries, memorize the party line, and regurgitate it easily without ever bothering to ask how it lines up with the Word of God. Sometimes attitudes are formed not because Paul and John said so, but because Rush and Dr. Laura say so.

It has been a source of grief to me that because the conservative line has so long been considered hostile to minorities, many conservatives seem to think it would be almost a sin to reach out to them. This was no doubt the kind of thinking that caused many otherwise decent men to refuse to support basic civil rights bills that were being passed in the sixties. Though some of these bills simply made it possible for black men and women to eat at the same restaurants as whites and attend the same universities, the knee-jerk reaction of too many conservatives was to vote against such bills. That wasn't conservatism; that was stupidity.

Conservatism and Christianity

Secondly, it must be admitted that merely holding all the right conservative credentials doesn't make one a Christian. We are saved by grace, not by conservatism. Conservatives have been embarrassed lately by various leaders who had the theories

right, but the lifestyle all wrong. Newt Gingrich was the conservative's conservative, and was cheered by all as he led the charge for the new revolution. After putting his foot in his mouth numerous times, and being involved in a relationship with a woman other than his wife, many were disillusioned, and Gingrich is now a spectator rather than a player.

Having said this, it must be stated that there will inevitably be a marked difference between the perspectives and views of those who love the Bible and those who either despise it or refuse to take it seriously.

The Relativism of Liberalism

Sinners have a luxury that Bible-believing Christians cannot afford. Those who ignore the claims of Christ and the writings of Scripture are free to form their own opinions on everything. They can create their own "home-made" value system, and revise it as often as they need to or want to. They are free to accept or reject any proposition simply on the basis of what seems right to them at the time.

A good case in point is the abortion question. What do Dick Gephardt, Ted Kennedy, Al Gore, and Jessie Jackson have in common? They all opposed abortion – at one time. I have in my files some amazing quotes by these four men stating their stance against the taking of the life of the unborn. Of course over the years they have done some convenient revising of their value system, in order to "stay current."

The Absolutism of Conservatism

As believers, we do not have that option. The same wonderful book that tells us of God's amazing love expressed through Jesus Christ – that same book tells us that it is God who "knits us together in our mother's womb." It also tells us that homosexuality and adultery are sins before God and that those who practice these sins will not inherit God's kingdom. As we read and re-read the Bible we find our values changing. The way we look upon debt, our views of crime and punishment, and so many other perspectives become shaped and molded by the "God-breathed" words of Scripture.

At a "Human Rights Campaign Dinner" for gay, lesbian, and bisexual people, Bill Clinton said, "We're redefining in practical terms the immutable ideas that have guided us." Wrong, Mr. Clinton. The word "immutable" means incapable of being changed. And because God's word is immutable, we dare not trifle with divine laws that have been around since an aged prophet named Moses spoke personally with the great I AM on Mt. Sinai. Call us conservative if you like. Embracing the views of our Creator really isn't such a bad idea. Maybe we're not as dumb as the liberals think we are. ❖

Dennis Pollock is available to conduct meetings and conferences on both Bible prophecy and the Holy Spirit. To contact him, call 972/736-3567.



Meet Our Staff Members



Gary Byers

- Age:** 48
Birth Place: Dallas, Texas
Education: One year of college at Christian College of the Southwest
Lamb & Lion Position: Administrative Minister
Duties: Financial record-keeping
Number of Years on Staff: 18
Number of Years a Christian: 34
Church Membership: McKinney Fellowship Bible Church
Church Activities: Volunteer youth worker and member of the Church's prayer team
Spiritual Gifts: Teaching, intercession, administration and mercy
Favorite Scriptures: Psalm 23 in the OT and Ephesians 2:10 in the NT
Favorite Bible Character: Joseph
Favorite Christian Book: *Mere Christianity* by C. S. Lewis
Favorite Christian Hymn: "It Is Well With My Soul"
Favorite Contemporary Christian Song: "It's All About Jesus"
Favorite Christian Singer or Group: DC Talk
Favorite Bible Version: The New American Standard
Favorite Pastime: Reading

Gary is Lamb & Lion's senior staff member. He is a gifted counselor and a powerful prayer warrior. He loves young people and devotes most of his spare time to working with them.

Meet Our Trustees



Joe Arnett

- Age:** 47
Birth Place: Memphis, Tennessee
Wife's Name: Bobbie
Years Married: 15
Names and Ages of Children: Kathryn, age 12
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Number of Years a Christian: 27
Years on Lamb & Lion Board: 4
Church Membership: Fellowship Bible Church North in Plano, Texas (Gene Getz, pastor)
Church Activities: Small group ministry (mini-church) and Early Elementary Learning Center
Favorite Scriptures: Psalm 37:4 in the OT and Romans 8:38-39 in the NT
Favorite Bible Character: David in OT and Stephen in NT
Favorite Christian Book: *Drawing Near* by Kenneth Boa and Max Anders
Favorite Christian Hymn: "It Is Well With My Soul"
Favorite Contemporary Christian Song: "Shout to the Lord"
Favorite Christian Singer or Group: My church's congregation. I really do not have a favorite singer or group. I would rather sing!
Favorite Bible Version: The New International
Favorite Pastime: Gardening



A Ministry Worthy of Your Support

Lion of Judah Ministries was founded in 1994 by Gary Fisher.

Gary is a native of Tennessee. He graduated from Franklin High School in 1970. Franklin is located about 15 miles south of Nashville.

After spending two years at David Lipscomb University, Gary decided to join the United States Air Force. Soon thereafter he read Hal Lindsey's book, *The Late Great Planet Earth*. Gary had gone to church all his life, but he had never been introduced to Bible prophecy. Lindsey's book propelled him into the prophetic scriptures. As he studied God's Prophetic Word, Gary became convinced of the Lord's soon return, and he decided to accept Jesus as his Lord and Savior.

Hardly had he become a Christian when the Air Force transferred him to Thailand. His commanding officer did not like his enthusiastic witness of his new faith, so he decided to isolate him by putting him in a building to himself at a remote airfield. Gary's only responsibility was to debrief pilots at the end of each day when they returned from their flights. The rest of the day he had nothing to do, so he decided to use the time to study Bible prophecy intensely. Looking back on the experience, Gary laughs and says, "Thailand turned out to be the place where I got my seminary education!"

When Gary returned to the States, he went to work as an electronic technician for the Tandy Corporation, repairing equipment sold by Radio Shack. He and his wife began attending a very large church in Nashville where he was offered the opportunity to teach a class on Bible prophecy. Gary's engaging personality, his teaching ability, and his detailed knowledge of Bible prophecy quickly attracted a lot of students.

In June of 1993 Gary took about 15 members of his class to a prophecy conference in Lexington, Kentucky that was being



Gary Fisher is pictured above in his office in Franklin, Tennessee. Behind him on the wall is the flag of Jerusalem which features a drawing of the Lion of Judah.



Gary together with his wife, Pam, and their daughter, Lindsey.

conducted by Dave Reagan. Dave was so impressed with Gary's love of prophecy and his student's enthusiasm for their teacher, that he began to encourage Gary to commit himself to full time ministry.

Gary responded by founding Lion of Judah Ministries in January of 1994. In August of that year he resigned his job with Tandy and began devoting full time to the ministry.

Since that time he has ministered with Dave all over America and throughout Eastern Europe and Israel.

Gary publishes a monthly newsletter called *The Trumpeter*. You can subscribe free of charge by contacting him at P. O. Box 681505, Franklin, TN 37068 or by calling 615/591-8036. His email address is garf@nashville.com. His website is located at www.sxws.com/LIONJUDH. Gary is available to hold meetings and conferences. ✝

Prophecy Study Resources

Preaching Bible Prophecy — A video album containing two videos with two sermons on each video. These are sermons that Dr. Reagan preached at Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, Kentucky, one of the largest churches in America. Topics include "The Importance of Bible Prophecy," "The Signs of the Lord's Soon Return," "The Most Important Prophetic Development of the 20th Century," and "The Spiritual Signs of the Times." Each sermon runs approximately 45 minutes. \$25 plus \$2 for shipping.

Living for Christ in the End Times

Balancing Today with the Hope of Tomorrow

Dr. David
REAGAN

Living for Christ in the End Times —

Dr. Reagan's newest book. It concerns the two greatest challenges to Christian living at the beginning of the 21st Century — namely, the decay of society and the increasing apostasy in the Church. These problems are presented in vivid detail in the book's first two chapters.

Dr. Reagan then presents ten chapters in which he describes things that Christians and churches must do to overcome these challenges. The recommended actions are down-to-earth, practical and biblical. They are also challenging and thought provoking.

The final two chapters outline what the Bible says will happen when Jesus returns and provides the Church with a great triumph over paganism. 262 pages. \$12. (Price includes shipping.)

Your People Shall Be My People — This is an important new book by Don Finto, the former pastor of the Belmont Church in Nashville, Tennessee. The book is must reading for anyone seriously interested in Bible prophecy and what it has to say about the Jews and the Church's relations with them. Dr. Reagan considers this book so important that he spent a total of four days discussing it on the ministry's radio program. 204 pages. \$12. (Price includes shipping.)

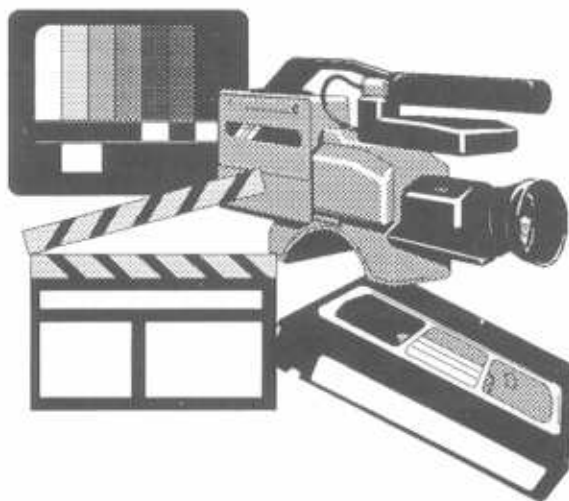
Other Videos — Dr. Reagan recently recorded an in-depth commentary about the current situation in Israel. The video runs 45 minutes and is entitled "The Middle East Crisis in Biblical Perspective." This video has received rave reviews. Many churches have shown it to their entire congregation. The cost is \$10 plus a shipping cost of \$2.

Another popular video the ministry has recently released is one entitled, "Hosea, God's Prophet of Love." This is a sermon delivered by Dr. Reagan at the dedication of the new sanctuary at Central Christian Church in Wichita, Kansas. This is one of Dr. Reagan's most powerful sermons in which he shows how the story of Hosea and his relationship with a prostitute foreshadows the sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross. Approximately 35 minutes. \$10 plus a shipping cost of \$2.

To order any of these items, call 1-800-705-8316. Call Monday through Friday between 8am and 5pm Central time.



FOREWORD BY MICHAEL W. SMITH



Lamb & Lion Ministries continues to be blessed by the Lord!

Revelation Book — Dr. Reagan's new book on Revelation has been scheduled for publication in August by New Leaf Press. The book is tentatively titled *Wrath & Glory: The Meaning of Revelation*.

Study Guide — Dr. Reagan has completed work on the revision of the ministry's very popular *Christ in Prophecy Study Guide*. It is ready to go to the printer and should be ready for distribution this summer.

Foreign Books — Dr. Reagan's comprehensive book on Bible Prophecy, *The Master Plan*, is being translated into two new foreign languages for publication in India and Pakistan. The book has already been published in Russian, Polish, Czech, Hungarian, and Spanish. Dr. Reagan hopes to produce a whole new edition of this book with the tentative new title of *God's Plan for the Ages*. The English version of the book is available from the ministry for a cost of \$10 plus \$2 for shipping.

Foreign Publications — Many of Dr. Reagan's articles about Bible prophecy are being published in a magazine in India called "Knocking." The title is drawn from Revelation 3:20 where Jesus is portrayed knocking on a door, asking to come in. The magazine is edited by John Ishmael, director of an outstanding ministry called Revival Literature Fellowship. This is the same group that is preparing a version of *The Master Plan* for publication in India.

Missions — Revival Literature Fellowship is also the organization that is sponsoring a prophecy conference and evangelistic crusade in Bangalore, India, which will feature Dennis Pollock. Dennis will be there for two weeks in early September of this year. We need to raise a total of about \$10,000 to cover all the costs of this important missions outreach. Dennis will conduct a three day conference on Bible prophecy for about 100 pastors and evangelists. The conference will be followed by an outdoor evangelistic crusade that will last several days. If you feel led of the Lord to help with this effort financially, please mark your check with the words, "India Outreach." Thank you! Also, please put this trip on your prayer list and start lifting Dennis up in prayer. Dennis is also looking for one or two people to accompany him on this trip. If you are interested, please call him at 972/736-3567.



Money Raised! — We are praising the Lord for your very generous response to our appeal for \$8,000 to be used to construct a parsonage for Pastor Remegio Blanco and his family in the Philippines. The full

amount came in quickly, and any surplus funds will be applied to Dennis' missions trip to India. Pastor Blanco was overwhelmed by your generosity. He will be sending us photos of every stage of the construction, and we will be publishing them in a future issue of this magazine.

Schedule — Dr. Reagan is scheduled to lead a pilgrimage group to Israel in early June. In **July** (20-22) Dave and Dennis

will hold a radio rally and prophecy conference at Amana Christian Fellowship in Lafayette, Louisiana. The following week (26-29) Dennis will conduct a meeting at Blessed Hope Bible Fellowship in New Bedford, Massachusetts.

In **August** Dave will be speaking three successive Sundays at Arlington Christian Church in Arlington, Texas (12, 19, 26). Dennis is scheduled to conduct a Holy Spirit conference in Matamoros, Mexico (12-14).

September will be a very busy month. Dennis will be in India during the first two weeks. Dave will speak a fourth time at Arlington Christian Church on the morning of the 2nd. That evening he will make a presentation at a prophecy conference in East Texas that will be held at Shepherd's Pasture Christian Retreat Center in Jefferson. In mid-September (16-19) Dave will be at the Harvester Christian Church in St. Charles, Missouri where he will be ministering together with the Vintage Gospel Ladds. Dave and Dennis will finish up the month with Dave starting a meeting and Dennis finishing it. This meeting will be held at First Christian Church in Fountain Valley, California (September 30 through October 3).



We are planning our first **Prophecy Partner Weekend** for June 29 and 30. All Prophecy Partners are invited, but we can accommodate only 50. Reservations will be taken on a first call basis, so if you are a Prophecy Partner, and you are interested in attending, you should call us immediately at 972/736-3567.

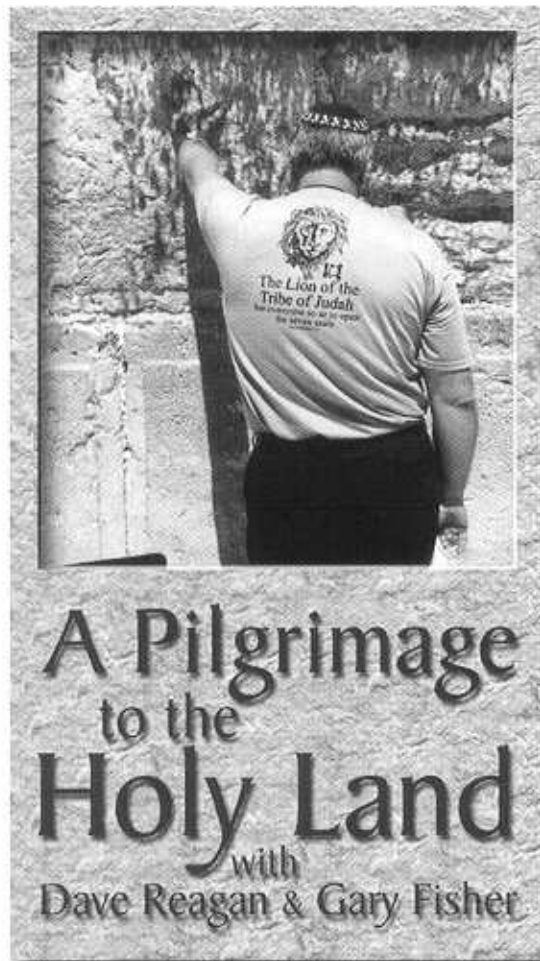
The weekend program will begin on Friday evening, June 29, at 7pm with a tour of our facilities and the videotaping of a sermon by Dennis Pollock, with the Prophecy Partners serving as a live audience. The next day, Saturday, June 30, will begin with a question and answer forum on Bible prophecy featuring both Dave and Dennis. The activities for the rest of the day have not yet been finalized, but the ministry will provide a Texas-style barbeque lunch for all the participants. The day's activities will conclude Saturday afternoon at 5pm.

This will be an opportunity for you to get better acquainted with us, and us with you. We will provide all registrants with a list of economical motels located in McKinney, Allen, and Plano.

Meetings — Dennis Pollock has several openings in his schedule for meetings and conferences. If you would like to have him come to your church, call 972/736-3567.

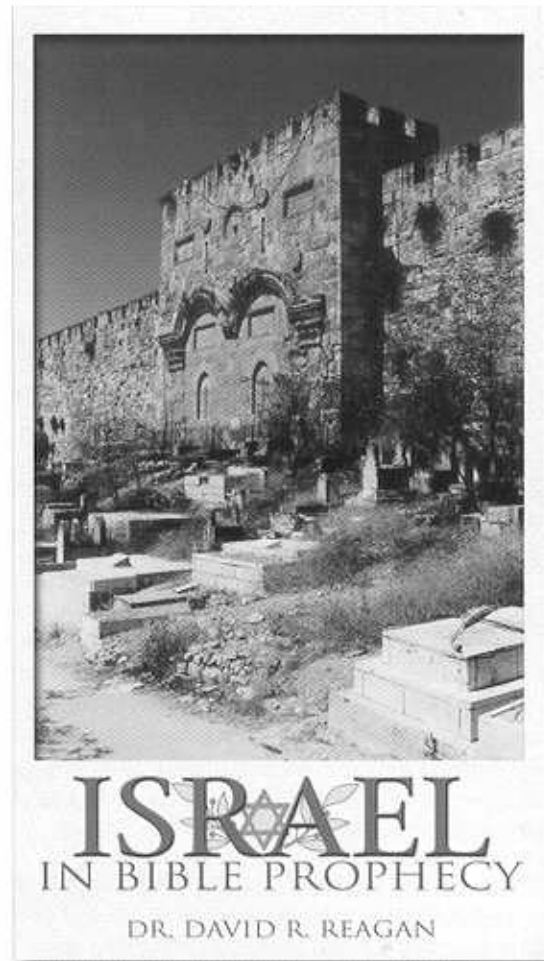


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