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No Peace Without the Prince of Peace

President Donald Trump recently announced the formation of his Board of Peace. But what is that anyway, and whom does it serve? In order to answer these questions and get a better understanding of Trump's bold initiative, let's recognize some facts. The United Nations Security Council approved the establishment of the Board of Peace under Resolution 2803 on November 17, 2025. Its formal endorsement was limited to a specific role in Gaza as a "transitional administration" to oversee the reconstruction of the Gaza Strip through the end of 2027.

But Trump and his board think they have a better idea, even better than Creator God. Their goal is extremely ambitious, like acting as a peacekeeper for the planet. On January 22, 2026, during a ceremony at the World Economic Forum in Davos, Donald Trump formally and unilaterally ratified the Board of Peace's charter as an "official international organization." The charter offers "permanent membership" for a \$1 billion contribution; otherwise, member terms are limited to three years. An overwhelming majority of the board's members are regimes ruled by authoritarians who need to protect their positions from possible opposition. Trump's action effectively sets up a conflict between the United Nations and his Board of Peace. This brings us to the apocalyptic ramifications of Trump's Board of Peace.

The book of Revelation, chapter 13, foretells of a final worldwide amalgamation of religious, political, and economic powers in which the church rules the state (Revelation 17:1-6). One notable actor that has been asked to join Donald Trump's Board of Peace but has not yet decided is the Papacy. The Jesuit publication, *America*, reports, "We have also received this invitation, and the pope has seen it, and we are deciding what to do," the Vatican's secretary of state, Cardinal Pietro Parolin, told journalists on Wednesday (Jan. 21). "I think it's a matter that needs some time to be considered in order to give an answer," he added, saying there were concerns for the respect of the international rule of law.

Whether the world's longest-lasting religious/political behemoth 'officially' joins Trump's Board of Peace or not, one can be sure that the Vatican will play no small role in its functioning, just as it has been playing in the United Nations.

As one peruses the global political, economic, and religious landscape, it can reasonably be concluded that the world is undoubtedly living through that period of earth's history not only prophesied by Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, but also by other prophets, such as Daniel and John.

When asked by His disciples concerning the signs of the end of the world and His second coming, Jesus responded, "Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places ... And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come" (Matthew 24:4-7, 14).

But to what Gospel was Jesus referring? It's the Gospel that declares that He, the Creator of the Universe, the Governor of the galaxies, and the Lord of the Sabbath, is the ONLY Savior of the world who can bring peace to the human family (John 14:6, Acts 4:12).

He therefore was careful to warn about that other gospel: "When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand)" (Matthew 24:15). Jesus is here referring to a system of human instrumentalities offering a way of salvation outside the grace of God and without faith in Him. It's a gospel that promises utopia without the

removal of sin from the human experience. In modern times the world has experienced the results of that gospel in the programs of Lenin, Stalin, and Hitler. They all miserably failed to bring about world peace as they promised. So will this effort also.

The apostle Paul warned, "For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape" (1 Thessalonians 5:3). Certainly, humanity is experiencing birth pains as a woman with child soon to be delivered. The prophet Daniel amplifies that pain before delivery: "And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book" (Daniel 12:1). Be sure that your name is written in His book of life.

God has not left us in darkness with regard to where we are in earth's history. In fact, the Bible has been remarkably accurate in prophesying the ruling powers of the earth. It boasts a 100% accuracy rate in foretelling the nations that would rule supreme over the human family. Beginning with Babylon, some 600 years before the birth of Jesus Christ, those powers are undeniably identified as Babylon, Media/Persia, Greece, Imperial Rome, and the Roman Papacy united with the United States of America.

Though many question America's role in world and salvation history, the facts are startling and the Biblical record unflinching. The Pilgrims had landed at Plymouth Rock. They were fleeing the persecution of the church/state union that was reigning throughout Europe. Sadly, they implemented the same policies on the shores of their newfound home. Those that did not go along with the religious tenets of these new settlers were persecuted, harassed, and killed by the state for not following the doctrines of the church. Incidentally, one of those doctrines was mandatory going to church on Sunday, a move that is rapidly picking up steam around the world.

But there rose one among them who vehemently disagreed with that concept. His name was Roger Williams, and this is what he said: "An enforced uniformity of religion throughout a nation or civil state confounds the civil and religious and denies the principles of Christianity and civility, and that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh." (Roger Williams [founder of Rhode Island], *The Bloody Tenet of Persecution for Cause of Conscience*, 1644). God always has His sentinels that would stand up for righteousness and justice in the face of despotism, cruelty, and injustice.

REVELATION 13



Moving a little closer, we see a band of revolutionaries, no doubt influenced, if not inspired, by the pronouncements of Roger Williams, rose up to cast off the yoke of the British church/state enterprise that controlled the lives of the people in the New World for more than 100 years. They would eventually not only succeed in their rebellion to separate from that system of tyranny but also establish a country that would be founded on a principle of a completely different sort.

Enshrined in their founding documents is the principle that would be its strength and power for as long as it exists. It is the separation of church and state—a country without a king and a church without a pope. It is profoundly rooted and grounded in this seemingly simple but profoundly powerful statement: “Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances” (1st Amendment of the US Constitution).

As we take an even closer look at our not-too-distant past, we see a man by the name of John F. Kennedy who embraced that principle. He was the great-grandson of one of those families that fled the European continent to establish a better life for themselves in the land born out of Roger Williams’ idea and solidified by James Madison and the Revolutionary Founding Fathers of this great nation we call the United States of America. JFK was a gentleman and a war hero who was reared in a

culture of public service. He wanted to be president of the country for which he fought and risked his life. But he had a problem. He was Roman Catholic. Americans, ever since the days of its founding, had educated their children to abhor Catholicism (not individual Roman Catholics), but the usurpation of civil and religious liberties for which the system stands. It was the system from which millions fled to a place where the worship of God according to the dictates of their own consciences was promoted.

In his quest for the presidency, JFK had to convince the leading Protestant ministers of the land that he would not govern the nation according to the demands of his church. And that he did. In his most memorable speech, given to those ministers gathered in Houston, Texas, on September 12th, 1960, young John Kennedy declared, "I believe in an America where the separation of church and state is absolute, where no Catholic prelate would tell the president (should he be Catholic) how to act, and no Protestant minister would tell his parishioners for whom to vote; where no church or church school is granted any public funds or political preference; and where no man is denied public office merely because his religion differs from the president who might appoint him or the people who might elect him." He was elected the first Roman Catholic president in November of the same year.

But what a contrast we are experiencing today. Leading ministers, both Protestant and Catholic, are imposing their will upon the people based upon the dogmas and doctrines of several sects. Historical and spiritual amnesia has steeped in. Like never before, the church and state are having a love affair such as has not been seen since the Dark Ages, when untold millions lost their lives for not abiding by the pronouncements of the European Ecclesiastical Establishment.

Former Roman Catholic priest Charles Chiniquy had predicted this moment in the nation's history. In his book, *Fifty Years in the Church of Rome*, Chiniquy related the subject of discussion at a meeting of Roman Catholic priests and bishops held in Ontario, Canada, in the year 1852. The attendees were told of a rather focused and comprehensive plan to take over the United States. Chiniquy cited the object of that plan, "Then, yes! Then, we will rule the United States and lay them at the feet of the Vicar of Jesus Christ, that he may put an end to their godless system of education and impious laws of liberty of conscience, which are an insult to God and man!" (Charles Chiniquy, *Fifty Years in the Church of Rome*, Page 476).

He continued, "Liberty of conscience is proclaimed by the United States as a most sacred principle, which every citizen must uphold,

even at the price of his blood. But liberty of conscience is declared by all the popes and councils of Rome to be a most godless, unholy, and diabolical thing, which every good Catholic must abhor and destroy at any cost.” (ibid., pg. 478).

That mission is almost accomplished. The question is, what happens next? Former Pope Francis laid it all out in his encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti* (All Brothers). It’s his, and by extension his church’s, prescription for world peace and unity, based upon his inspiration of a dead Francis of Assisi and not on God’s word. Here are a few highlights:

- Full unification of church and state. The church is becoming the conscience of the state. Desecration of the 1st Amendment and, by extension, the destruction of the American experiment—destruction of the wall of separation of church and state.
- Denial of individual property rights, since all property is for the common good as determined by his church.
- His church becoming the only means of salvation, accepting Mary as the mother of the church and his church as the mother of all churches.
- Sunday sacredness.
- Sugar coated with a little Jesus spread out here and there’

On the contrary, however, James Madison, the one who is credited for being the main architect of America’s founding documents, wrote to a friend, “In the Papal System, government and religion are in a manner consolidated, and that is found to be the worst of governments. In most of the governments of the old world, the legal establishment of a particular religion, with or without very little toleration of others, makes a part of the political and civil organization, and there are few of the most enlightened judges who will maintain that the system has been favorable either to religion or to government.” (James Madison, Letter to Jasper Adams).

Regardless of who wins the conflict between Trump’s Board of Peace and the United Nations, the result will be the same: a period of tyranny, championed by the Papal system, fueled by AI, accelerated by Christian Nationalism, and followed by the nations of the world such as has never before been seen in the history of the human race. John the Revelator explains, “These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful” (Revelation 17:13-14).



Heritage Foundation Intensifies its Calls for Sunday Rest

The books of Daniel and Revelation foretell of the rise of America as a bastion of civil and religious liberties. They portray a territory that would arise as a consequence of the Protestant Reformation of the 15th and 16th centuries. Sadly, those prophetic utterings also predict that that nation would eventually resort back to the despotic bowels of religious intolerance and civil repression. It's almost 250 years since its official beginnings, and the swing of the pendulum is in full display.

While pundits are pontificating, analysts are analyzing, and the people are wondering, the ancient, all-time best seller called the Holy Bible gives the only answers to what is truly transpiring before our eyes. America, and by extension the world, is making the transition from striving for individual rights and liberties to the implementation of worldwide despotism, tyranny, and oppression such as was never before seen in the annals of human civilization.

John the Revelator, banished to the ragged, desolate Mount of Patmos, penned these words: "And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. (Revelation 13:11, 12).

The prophet Daniel, in his prophetic vision of the empires that would rule the world and have an impact on God's plans for the salvation of human souls, says of the beasts that he envisioned, "These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth" (Daniel 7:17). Obviously, kings have kingdoms. God's prophet, therefore, was not referring to individuals, but rather to political entities. The four beasts he foretold of are now a matter of documented secular history. They were Babylon, Medio Persia, Greece, and Imperial Rome. Out of Imperial Rome rose the Roman Papacy from which the Protestants fled and established the United States of America.

Therefore, the two beasts referred to by John the Revelator are, first, Roman Catholicism, and second, the United States of America. No one can deny that we are living in the moment of intriguing interplay between these two superpowers, the mightiest military machinery of all recorded history and the greatest ecclesiastical behemoth in the history of the nations. John foretold that their intermingling represents a significant chapter in the Drama of the Ages.

On both the religious and political platforms we can see the coalescing of Catholicism and Americanism. For example, the six Supreme Court justices that voted to make Donald Trump a monarch, if not Roman Catholic by profession, are all connected to the Heritage Foundation, a Roman Catholic institution operating under the guise of a "conservative" political advocacy agency. Its president, Kevin Roberts of Opus Dei, a Catholic organization dedicated to the establishment of Papal power around the world, is the chief architect of Project 2025. This is the blueprint for the destruction of the American experiment. This project is now well on its way to accomplishing its goals and objectives. We are experiencing it live and in living color everyday.

This same Heritage Foundation has intensified its push for Sunday sacredness. This time, it has released a document calling for Sunday sacredness as a requirement for stronger, more productive families. In the document, *Saving America by Saving the Family: A Foundation for the Next 250 Years*, we discover on pages 38 and 39 of the newly released document, under the section, "Support for a Uniform Day of Rest":

- "Support for a Uniform Day of Rest—As zoning laws allow a community to determine where one can operate certain businesses, "blue laws" reflect the local judgments as to when one can operate certain businesses. In the case of *McGowan v. Maryland* (1961), the Supreme Court held by an eight-to-one vote that Sunday-closing laws that in-

clude the purpose of providing a uniform day of rest are constitutional and can accommodate the fact that the majority of people who take a day of rest for religious reasons do so on Sundays. Massachusetts, for example, requires that “every employer of labor engaged in carrying on any manufacturing, mechanical, or mercantile establishment or workshop...shall allow every person...at least twenty-four consecutive hours of rest...in every seven consecutive days.” [1]

- “A uniform day of rest that limits commercial activity can provide temporal boundaries that help communities to set aside time for religious observance, family gatherings, outdoor activities, and rest. A stable base of research shows that these practices correlate with better mental health, stronger social bonds, and more stable family structures.” [1]

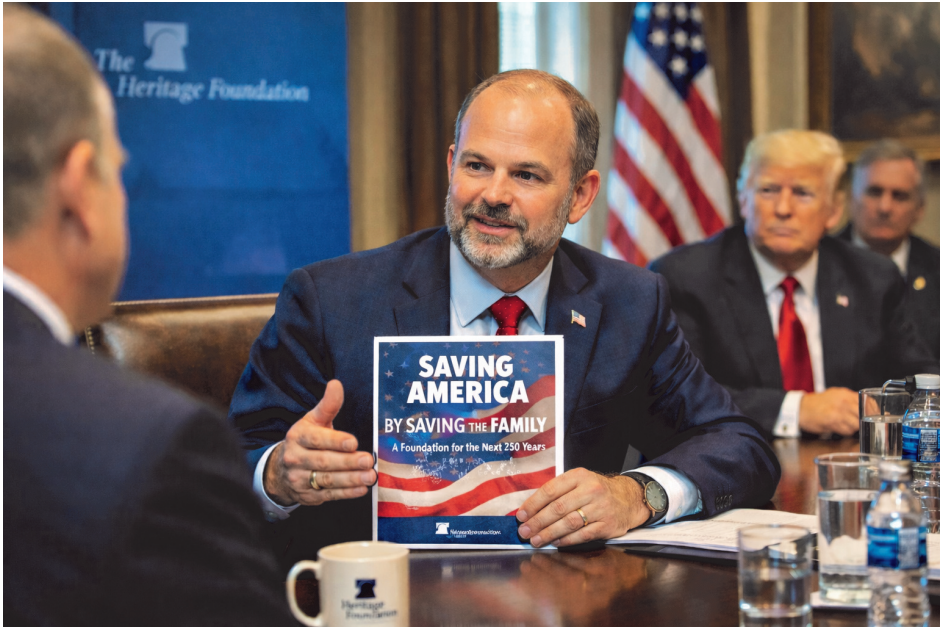
- “With the advent of on-demand delivery, shopping can be shifted easily and conveniently to other days of the week. By restoring a common rhythm of rest and reflection, community rest laws could help to reverse the trend toward ‘spiritual homelessness’ and foster the social habits necessary for communities to cohere and flourish.” [1]

- “Despite today’s on-demand culture, the U.S. Postal Service does not deliver regular mail on Sundays, most organized youth sports avoid Sunday competitions, and most banks are closed on Sundays. The ever-popular Chick-Fil-A chain closes its restaurants on Sundays for the benefit of its workers and their families. Where new, planned communities or transitioning communities form, they should consider adding rest days as part of their master plans for balanced and thriving community life.” [1]

Papal Authority Over the Nations Reaffirmed

Even as the Heritage Foundation released its document focusing on the family and insisting on Sunday sacredness, Pope Leo was addressing the ambassadors to the Vatican of 184 countries. His speech, drawing heavily upon St. Augustine’s work, ‘City of God,’ reminded his guests, even if ever so subtly, that his church still holds authority over the nations represented.

He remarked, “The ‘City of God’ does not propose a political program. Instead, it offers valuable reflections on fundamental issues concerning social and political life, such as the search for a more just and peaceful coexistence among peoples. Augustine also warns of the grave dangers to political life arising from false representations of his-



tory, excessive nationalism, and the distortion of the ideal of the political leader.”

Leo called “City of God,” written in the fifth century, highly relevant to the present time, marked by widespread migration and the “profound readjustment of geopolitical balances and cultural paradigms.”

It has been a long-standing doctrine of the Catholic Church that it rules by two swords, the temporal and spiritual. In the papal bull *Unam Sanctam* of 1302, Boniface VIII formalized the most extreme version of this doctrine, asserting that the temporal power must be subordinate to the spiritual power and that the Pope has the right to judge and establish earthly rulers. The ambassadors, undoubtedly, got the message, which will be taken back to their respective leaders.

That message will most likely be highly welcomed in America, as the Heritage Foundation and the broader Religious Right ecosystem advocate for that very state of affairs. For example, Pastor Doug Wilson, who hails from Moscow, Idaho, is a prominent figure in the Christian nationalist movement. He recently opened a branch of his Christ Church in Washington, D.C. Wilson asserts that planting a church in the nation’s capital is part of his plan to make America a Christian nation. His Christian theocratic views are neither modest nor obscure. He emphatically exclaimed in a televised interview with Pamela Brown of CNN on August 7, 2024, “I’d like to see the town be a Christian town.

I'd like to see the state be a Christian state. I'd like to see the nation be a Christian nation. I'd like to see the world be a Christian world."

Wilson asserts that planting a church in Washington, DC, is part of his plan to make America Christian. He continued, "So, every society is theocratic. The only question is, who's Theo? In a secular democracy, it would be Demos, the people. In a Christian republic, it'd be Christ." Wilson & Co. firmly believe and are advocating for a system where God is the ultimate source of power, often exercised by clergy or religious officials whose laws derive from sacred texts. He sees himself as one of that clergy chosen to make America Christian.

What Wilson and his right-wing religious zealots do not understand is that they are fulfilling a role long foretold by the ancient prophets Daniel and John. They are bringing to pass the prophecy that America will repudiate every principle of its constitution and republican form of government, particularly its first amendment, which offers the protection of civil and religious liberties. John the Revelator portrays Wilson's movement as the formation of the image of the first beast, Roman Catholicism. Says John, "And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed" (Revelation 13:15).

In the movements such as Doug Wilson's crusade and the Heritage Foundation's push to establish religious dogmas and practices central to the laws of the land, perilous times will ensue. Liberty of conscience will be trampled upon, and dissenters of church/state sanctioned decrees will be severely persecuted. At the pinnacle of that list of dictates is Sunday sacredness. It's a central pillar of both Project 2025 and the latest, Saving America by Saving the Family.

The Church of Rome boasts, "Perhaps the boldest thing, the most revolutionary change the church ever did happened in the first century. The holy day, the Sabbath, was changed to Sunday...not from any directions noted in Scriptures, but from the church's sense of its own power ... People who think that the Scriptures should be the sole authority, should logically become Seventh-day Adventists, and keep Saturday holy" (Saint Catherine Catholic Church Sentinel, May 21, 1995).

One famous Seventh-day Adventist Bible commentator counseled, "But Romanism as a system is no more in harmony with the gospel of Christ now than at any former period in her history. The Protestant

churches are in great darkness, or they would discern the signs of the times. The Roman Church is far-reaching in her plans and modes of operation. She is employing every device to extend her influence and increase her power in preparation for a fierce and determined conflict to regain control of the world, to re-establish persecution, and to undo all that Protestantism has done” (Ellen G. White, *The Great Controversy*, pg. 565).

She also forewarned, “When the leading churches of the United States, uniting upon such points of doctrine as are held by them in common, shall influence the state to enforce their decrees and to sustain their institutions, then Protestant America will have formed an image of the Roman hierarchy, and the infliction of civil penalties upon dissenters will inevitably result” (ibid. 445).

The objective of the Heritage Foundation is not to preserve the American experiment. Neither is it a champion of civil and religious liberty. Its record speaks for itself: the control of a Supreme Court that delivers a monarchy, thus enthroning a submissive king who engineers the dismantling of the precepts of civil and religious liberties. This will ultimately lead to the Papal church’s spiritual sword ruling over the land. In the process they have found willing partners in the Doug Wilsons of America and their Christian Nationalist movement. That’s why their latest proposition matters very much.

Their ultimate imposition of Sunday sacredness challenges the followers of Jesus Christ to make the decision of whom they will serve, their Creator or the man of sin.

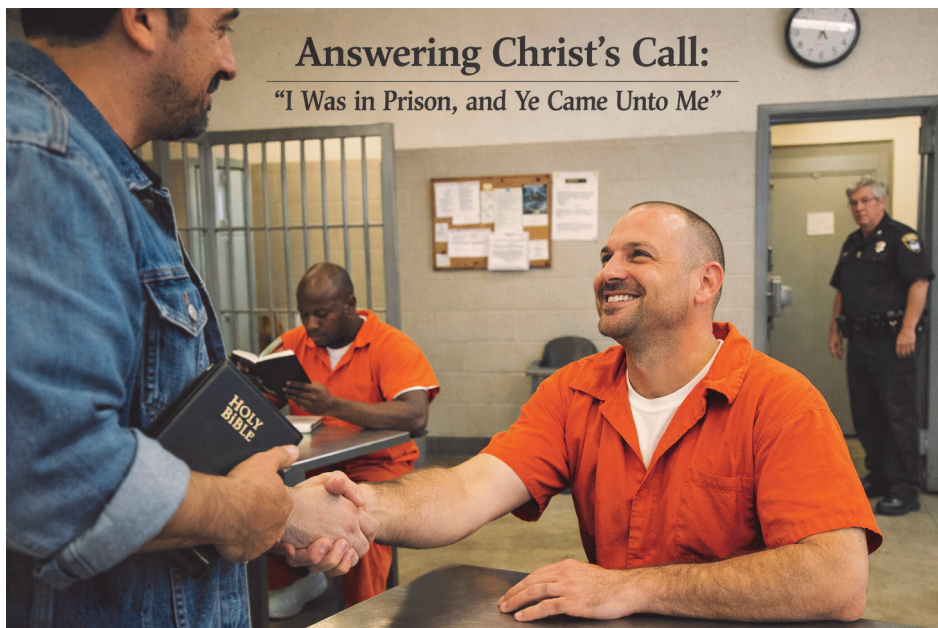
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Answering Christ's Call:

"I Was in Prison, and Ye Came Unto Me"



Advent Messenger is excited to announce that we have started a new prison ministry outreach program. The purpose of this outreach is to build a biblical foundation for those who are incarcerated all across the United States. Just like our brother in Christ Daniel Joseph Foot, who sent us a message that says:

"Good morning, my name is Daniel Joseph Foot. I just was released from the department of corrections, and it was nice getting your Advent Messenger magazine. I was incarcerated for the past 13 years. For the past 3 years I have been receiving your Advent Messenger Herald, and I wanted to tell you how I greatly appreciate your services and the knowledge and wisdom to know the times that we're living in. I just wanted to thank you all for keeping me in prayers and keeping me updated on what's going on in the background. I am a firm believer in Jesus Christ." Daniel Joseph Foot

The prison ministry has been created for people just like Daniel, for those who are in desperate need of hope, revival, friendship, and most importantly, a relationship with Jesus. The Bible tells us, "I the Lord hath called thee in righteousness and will hold thy hand and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; to open the blind eye, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sat in darkness from the prison house. I am the Lord: that is my name, and my glory will I not give to another." Isaiah 42:6-7.

The Lord has called His faithful people to do a mighty work: "He that

believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also.” John 14:12.
“Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.” Matthew 25:36.

Oh, my faithful brothers and sisters in Christ, it is time to do the work that God has called us to do. There is great work to be done; much of it has been gravely ignored and rejected. May our heavenly books read that we were found faithful by bringing deliverance and hope to those who behind a glass only see darkly (1 Corinthians 13:12)!

“Yesterday, by invitation, I spoke to the prisoners ... The superintendent first ushered us in and then, at the sound of the bell, the heavy iron bolts were drawn back with a loud noise, and there swarmed from their cells one hundred and fifty prisoners. Then we were locked in with them ... They listened with the most profound attention as I spoke from these words: ‘Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God’ (1 John 3:1). I then presented before them Adam’s sin, his fall, and the gift of God to redeem Adam’s failure; the love here manifested to save man from sin and ruin. I dwelt upon the temptation of Christ in the wilderness, the victory gained in behalf of the race, and how man may overcome the seductive snares of Satan by making Christ his trust ... The people listened with the most solemn mien, and the tearful eye and quivering lip showed that their hearts, although calloused with sin, felt the words spoken” (Upward Look, p. 189).

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“I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.” John 9:4

Michelle Jimenez

A DECISIVE HOUR *for* ADVENTISM:

An Appeal to End *the* Church's Alliance *with the* United Nations



On January 9, 2026, Seventh-day Adventists from around the world sent an open letter to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, António Guterres, calling for the complete termination of all formal relationships between the United Nations and the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, including its affiliated organizations such as ADRA and religious liberty associations. The petition urges that no new partnerships be established in the future.

At the heart of the petition is the claim that the General Conference has maintained consultative NGO status with the United Nations since 1985 without the informed consent of the church's global membership. This relationship represents a fundamental departure from historic Seventh-day Adventist principles, particularly the church's long-standing stance against alliances between religious institutions and political powers. This partnership compromises the church's moral independence and prophetic identity because the philosophical and ideological foundations of the United Nations are incompatible with core biblical teachings and Seventh-day Adventist beliefs. Specific concerns are raised regarding issues such as creation, religious liberty, health, moral authority, and Sabbath observance.

In the petition, the authors specifically question the way the General Conference and its leadership handled the COVID-19 pandemic and vaccination issue, arguing that official church statements during that

time revealed a compromise with secular authorities and loss of religious liberty freedom. They state that during the pandemic, General Conference publications asserted that refusing mandated vaccines was inconsistent with Adventist beliefs and, in some instances, portrayed members who declined vaccination as murderers. The petitioners argue that this amounted to an improper violation of conscience and an overreach of church authority. They contend that the church's support for oppressive mandates and its reluctance to champion religious exemptions demonstrated alignment with the United Nations' and World Health Organization's public health approach, rather than standing firmly for freedom of conscience as defined in Scripture.

Finally, the petition includes a growing list of signatories who publicly align themselves with the call for disassociation. By inviting others to sign, the document seeks to demonstrate that opposition to the UN relationship is not isolated but shared by Adventists who believe that faithfulness to Scripture and prophetic truth requires a decisive break from institutional partnerships with global political bodies.

Add your name and sign the letter. Your voice matters in this decisive hour, when watchmen must lift their voices and not hold their peace. To sign, visit: <https://faithfuladventist.org/>

The News Media Pushes for a Return to Sunday Shutdowns

The secular media is increasingly describing modern life as overstimulated, over-commercialized, and exhausting—and points to the desecration of Sunday as evidence of that shift. More and more articles, editorials, and opinion pieces look back favorably to an earlier era when stores were closed, malls were quiet, and major sporting events were limited or nonexistent on Sundays. That period is frequently described as simpler and more community-oriented, marked by quieter streets, more time spent with family, regular Sunday church attendance, and the absence of a continuous 24-hour retail cycle. On February 13, 2026, The Daily News published the following:

- “Somewhere along the way, we reduced the Ten Commandments to nine. A half-century ago, businesses were closed on Sunday, and sporting events recognized Sunday as a day for worship. All that has changed. Today, our calendars are filled with a 24/7 frenzy. We effectively eliminated the fourth commandment as irrelevant and archaic: ‘Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy.’” [1]

- “A report from the American Psychological Association stated, ‘Chronic stress is increasingly eating away at our overall well-being. The psychological and physical toll of stress in America will undoubtedly continue to snowball if something doesn’t change.’” [1]

- “In 1924, Scotland’s Eric Liddell, the fastest runner in the world, refused to compete at the Olympics on the Lord’s Day. When the King of England commanded him to run for his country on Sunday, Liddell respectfully replied he had a higher king.” [1]

- “Sabbath requires time for rest, silence, solitude and worship, but it is more than a day of rest. It is a way of life that is filled with wonder, worship, awe and delight.” [1]

By contrasting that past with today’s constant Sunday commercial activity and sports culture, the message suggests that restoration of Sunday closures will help repair social breakdown. The tone is often secular in language—mental health, work-life balance, labor protections, environmental sustainability, family cohesion—rather than explicit theology. Yet the practical implication of many of these arguments is the same: reduce or eliminate commercial and entertainment activity on Sunday.

When repeated consistently, this message normalizes the idea that Sunday rest is not only desirable but also necessary for the common good. Whether one agrees or disagrees, it is clear that the growing narrative being promoted more and more is this: if we want healthier communities, stronger families, and less chaos, we may need to return to a time when Sunday was different—when commerce stopped, stadiums were quiet, and the people had a uniform day of rest.

Even though much of the world is increasingly calling for Sunday to be protected as the day of rest, the foundation for such a call must be examined in light of God’s Word. The fourth commandment plainly declares: “Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy ... the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God” (Exodus 20:8–11). Scripture identifies a specific day—the seventh day—not a generally accepted day of rest to be reassigned by tradition or civil authority. When society promotes Sunday as the universal solution for rest and renewal, it is advocating for a day that God never designated in His law. The biblical Sabbath, according to the commandment itself, is the seventh day—what we call Saturday—and any movement that substitutes another day, however well-intentioned, departs from the clear language of Scripture.

[1] https://www.galvnews.com/faith/free/sabbath-is-more-than-day-of-rest/article_f09a50bd-3ae2-5b4a-9031-9753b791b83e.html

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