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## FRIDAY CHURCH NEWS NOTES

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### CHILDREN REMOVED FROM “PREPPER’S” HOME STILL IN CUSTODY

On January 12, an army of law enforcement personnel and other government authorities in Hot Springs, Arkansas, removed seven children from the home of a “former pastor,” apparently for the presence of Master Miracle Solution (MMS) in the home. (For more about MMS, see the next report in this week’s Friday News.) Heavily armed state troopers, sheriffs, and DHS agents descended on the home of an unsuspecting Hal and Michelle Stanley to execute a search warrant based on an anonymous tip. It is said that thirteen government officials were involved in this heavy-handed action. After finding the MMS, the officials took the children into custody. Ten days later, a judge found sufficient cause to keep them in custody, and the next hearing was scheduled for



February 12. The Stanleys are Bible-believing Christians of some kind, home schoolers, home churchers, Tea Party promoters, and self-professed “preppers” who grow their own food and are preparing for some type of end-times catastrophe. We don’t know their doctrinal stance or how far they take their “prepping” or what their attitude is toward government, except that we are told that “they avoid most contact with the government” (“Judge Refused to Allow Stanley Family Children to Go Home,” [medicalkidnap.com](http://medicalkidnap.com), Feb. 9, 2015). Hal Stanley has five children by a former marriage and nine by his current wife. Two of the nine are in college. One of his older sons is an agnostic who has criticized the family. The Stanleys are definitely caught up in every type of “extremism,” at least in

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### BIBLE-BELIEVERS AND GULLIBILITY

Bible-believing Christians should be the least gullible people on earth. The Bible says, “The simple believeth every word: but the prudent *man* looketh well to his going” (Prov. 14:15). This means that the prudent man is careful and tests everything by God’s Word. Yet over the past 40 years of Christian living, I have been amazed at how easily God’s people can be lured into “alternative health care” programs that have quack written all over them. The most recent example that has come to my attention is Master Miracle Solution (MMS), a toxic bleach solution marketed by Jim Humble as “the Miracle Mineral Solution of the 21st Century,” a cure for cancer, AIDS, hepatitis, herpes, TB, malaria, possibly Ebola, “and many more of mankind’s worse diseases.” “Archbishop” Humble is the founder of “Genesis 2 Church of Health and Healing.” He claims to have “developed a technique for healing by touch.” We have read that he is anti-vaccination, anti-insurance. He encourages his followers not to trust “traditional” medicine, but he would have them trust him explicitly. When mixed with citrus juice, MMS forms chlorine dioxide, a strong bleach. Users of MMS are even told to expect to become ill through ingesting the solution and to understand that this is evidence that it is working to “kill all pathogens, parasites, diseases, and even heavy metals” (“Jim Humble’s MMS Fraud,” *The Health Wyze Report*, n.d.). A U.S. Food and Drug Administration warning says that MMS “when used as directed, produces an industrial bleach that can cause

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the eyes of modern society, and MMS has every sign of quackery. (See our new book *The Bible and Diet*, available in print and free eBook editions from [www.wayoflife.org](http://www.wayoflife.org).) But this is no justification for the removal of children from what appears to be a caring, God-fearing home on a flimsy charge. No evidence has been given that the children were "poisoned" or abused. Hal Stanley told officials that he is the only one who took MMS, and hopefully that is true. I am convinced that MMS is complete quackery, but even if the entire family were taking MMS, the current action amounts to government thuggery. To our knowledge, no one has died consuming MMS, but large numbers of people have died from government-approved medical therapies. We think of the horrible side effects of government-approved cancer therapies. The fundamental issue here is how much power the government should have over people's lives and who has authority over the children. There is zero evidence that the government is capable of caring for children better than loving parents, even loving parents with some quacky but apparently non-destructive ideas. The U.S. government is quickly becoming an enemy to the very type of people who founded the nation.

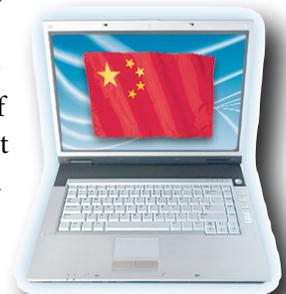
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serious harm to health. ... High oral doses of this bleach, such as those recommended in the labeling, can cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and symptoms of severe dehydration." MMS was banned in Canada after "a life-threatening reaction." MMS has every mark of quackery. It promises near perfect health and longevity. It makes astounding claims. It is associated with an alleged "Bible diet." It is tied to a money-making scheme. It is promoted through testimonials, and it is accompanied by an attempt to discredit standard medicine. (For more about quack diets and alternative health programs see our new book *The Bible and Diet*, available in print as well as a free eBook edition from [www.wayoflife.org](http://www.wayoflife.org).)

**COMMUNIST CHINA  
TIGHTENS CENSORSHIP  
OF THE INTERNET**

Communist China is tightening control of the Internet by requiring users of blogs and chat rooms to register with operators and promise not to challenge the political system ("China tightens Web controls," AP, Feb. 4, 2015). China is also blocking private networks that have been used to circumvent its filters. Every Internet service provider must have users sign a pledge to refrain from "illegal and unhealthy" activity, which means any activity forbidden by the communists. There is perfect liberty in China, which is the liberty to do exactly what the government tells you to do. Saudi Arabians enjoy the same liberty. And this is the "liberty" that is fast becoming the rule in America and, in fact, every nation on earth. It is a fulfillment of Bible prophecy and therefore evidence that the Bible is the infallible Word of God. The hour is very late, but this present world is not the end of the story.



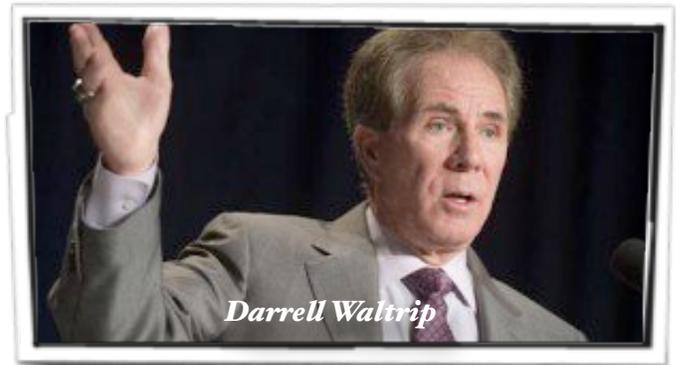
## SALVATION ARMY AND ROME TOGETHER

The first ever meeting between Salvation Army leaders and a pope occurred at the Vatican in December 2014. Meeting with Pope Francis was the Salvation Army General André Cox, plus four other SA leaders. The gathering was the culmination of six years of ecumenical dialogue which was aimed at “fostering a better understanding of one another, mutual respect and regular collaboration” (“Addresses at the Vatican,” [salvationarmy.org](http://salvationarmy.org), Dec. 12, 2014). The Salvation Army website calls the pope “His Holiness” and describes the meeting in terms of warm fraternity. Cox told the pope that he considered the papal audience “a most precious privilege.” He said, “We clearly recognise your Christlikeness as you seek faithfully to be a true minister of the Gospel. ... It is my hope and prayer that we will not only walk alongside each



other, edifying through that is, but will walk together as credible witnesses to the truth that Jesus is Lord.” There is no concern expressed about Rome’s false gospel and false christ and other gross heresies. How can the pope display Christlikeness when he holds to a false sacrament gospel that is under the curse of Galatians 1 and is therefore not saved? The Salvation Army was never theologically sound in some areas, and it has long capitulated to the siren call of ecumenism. In the book *Holiness: The False and the True*, Harry Ironside described how that Salvation Army heresy about sanctification nearly shipwrecked his Christian life, and that was in the first half of the twentieth century.

## RACE CAR LEGEND PREACHES HELLFIRE AT NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST



As the keynote speaker at the National Prayer Breakfast, race car champion Darrell Waltrip preached that every person who dies without Jesus Christ goes to hell. The NASCAR legend gave his testimony of salvation before a crowd of 4,000, including President and Mrs. Obama and the Dalai Lama. He told how that he was a heavy drinker and a selfish, “brash, ruthless, pushy, cocky, conceited, aloof, arrogant” man, but his life was changed by the power of Jesus Christ. He said: “I thought I was a pretty good guy, but folks, let me tell you something. Good guys go to Hell. If you don’t know Jesus as your Lord and Saviour, if you don’t have a relationship [with Him], if He’s not the master of your life, if you’ve never gotten on your knees and asked Him to forgive you of your sins, [and] you’re just a pretty good guy or a pretty good gal, you’re going to go to Hell. Think about that. I did. ... I got down off my high horse [and] got down on my knees. And Dr. Cortez Cooper and Stevie [his wife’s nickname] and I prayed that the Lord would come into my life and forgive me of my sins and be my Lord and Saviour. And that was the greatest day of my life. That changed everything. ... When the Lord comes into your life, you’re going to be different. You have to be different. If He comes into your life and you’re not different, you better go back and try it again, because the Lord changes you.” (“NASCAR Legend,” *Christian News Network*, Feb. 6, 2015).

## CCM ARTIST TALKS ABOUT THE ECUMENICAL POWER OF CONTEMPORARY PRAISE MUSIC

CCM artist Kari Jobe understands the ecumenical power of contemporary praise music. In an interview last year, she said: “I think that we’re just in a really exciting season of seeing some denominational barriers come down. I COULD LITERALLY WALK INTO A CHURCH AND LEAD WORSHIP AND NOT KNOW WHAT DENOMINATION I WAS IN THAT NIGHT. We’re doing a lot of different churches FROM ASSEMBLY OF GOD TO METHODIST TO BAPTIST” (Kari Jobe: Pioneering New Roads in Worship,” FamilyChristian.com, March 20, 2014). Contemporary musicians glory in the ecumenical power of contemporary music, whereas the Bible-believer understands that ecumenism is a loud warning sign. True Christian

unity according to Scripture is unity in one mind, unity in sound doctrine, unity in truth, not a “unity in diversity.” Unity in one mind is godly; unity in diversity is a devilish deception. “That ye may with ONE MIND *and* one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ” (Ro 15:6). “Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and *that* there be no divisions among you; but *that* ye be perfectly joined together in THE SAME MIND and in the same judgment” (1 Cor. 1:10). In *Independent Baptist Music Wars* we document the ecumenical power of CCM. This book is available in print or as a free eBook from [www.wayoflife.org](http://www.wayoflife.org).

### SOME FAVORITE QUOTES

“H.H. Savage of First Baptist Church in Pontiac once remarked that it took about four times the prayer and energy to get a soul saved during the 1960s as it took during the 1930s” (*One in Hope and Doctrine*, p. 185).

“All our lives we have challenged Christian people in any endeavor to distinguish between essentials and non-essentials in the Word of God. For anyone to say that the Word of God contains matter that is not essential, is to disparage the inspiration and revelation and the Author of the Bible itself” (Oliver Van Osdel, “A Very Great Sorrow,” *Baptist Temple News*, Wealthy Street Baptist Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 18, 1930).

#### CONCLUSION

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