

FRIDAY CHURCH NEWS NOTES

RESCUE AMERICA RALLIES BY #WALKAWAY



#WalkAway, a movement of former Democrats who have “walked away” from the party, are conducting Rescue America rallies across the country. Hundreds participated in the rally in Hollywood, California, on August 8. One of the speakers, Shameka Michelle, lambasted a white male Black Lives Matter counter-protester: “I don’t need you to tell me my life matters. I don’t need your privilege to tell me or to justify who I am in America. This is my country. This is my land. My ancestors built this country, so I’m gonna walk around here as bold as I want to. And I don’t have to have you to cosign and tell me my life matters. That right there insinuates that your voice is bigger and better than mine. You are supporting an organization

that does not like black men. And as a black woman, I can tell you how important black men are to the black family; without them we are nothing. ... We kill more black babies than are born every year. You said ‘Black Lives Matter’; what about black lives in the womb? They don’t matter? They don’t matter? So how are you pushing an organization that doesn’t care?” #WalkAway founder Brandon Starka said, “We’re doing these rallies because we wanted to show the radical left who’s been smashing windows, committing acts of violence, committing acts of vandalism they do not own America’s streets. We’re going to fight for the heart and soul of America, so this is our third one. Next week we’ll be in Milwaukee and we’ll basically be doing ‘Rescue America’ rallies around the country for now through the end of the year. We’re a movement of people who are walking away from the Democratic party. We’re walking away from the ideology of liberalism, the liberal media... basically, we want to live in a country with peace and civility...truthfulness, kindness and again, we’re not getting that from the political left so we’re walking away from the Democrats” (“Hundreds gather,” *The Blaze*, Aug. 9, 2020).

LAW PROFESSOR WARNS THAT FEAR AND INTIMIDATION ON UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES UNPRECEDENTED

The following is excerpted from “Law Professor Testifies,” *The Daily Wire*, Aug. 5, 2020: “Jonathan Turley, Constitutional Law Professor at George Washington University, issued a dire warning at a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing on Tuesday: ‘If you go through their antifa handbook and look at their literature, it’s quite express, they, as stated in the handbook, they reject the premise of what they call a classical liberal view of free speech,’ Turley said. ... ‘They believe that free speech itself is a tool of oppression. And that has been



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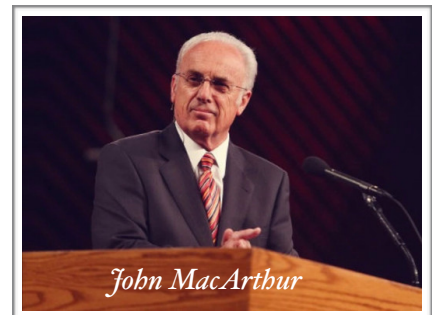
the message on campuses. What I thought was disturbing about these statements that antifa is a myth is that many of us on campus have been dealing with antifa for years. And antifa is winning,' Turley continued. 'I've been teaching for 30 years. I have never seen the level of fear and intimidation on campuses that we see today. Faculty are afraid to speak out about issues. We can't have a dialogue about the important issues occurring today because there's a fear that you might be accused of being reactionary or racist. We've had law professors who have been physically attacked, have required police protection. That's the environment that we're developing,' Turley continued. 'And for people that think that antifa and groups like it can be allies, they don't know antifa. Those of us who have been teaching on campuses can tell you about these groups. And the alarm that I have is because I'm

watching my profession, the teaching profession, die, with free speech. ... We're seeing, many of these speakers are being prevented from speaking on campus under various theories. The message is clear to faculty and to students: There's a new orthodoxy that you should not confront and certainly shouldn't disagree with. There are some Democratic politicians that have not only failed to denounce antifa but in that case seemed to give it a shout out,' Turley concluded. **'If you go to campuses today you'll find more advocates for limiting speech than protecting it. They're winning.** ... it's very disturbing because **antifa is not coming after ... Democrats, they're coming after Republicans, conservatives, and those of us in the free speech community. They're coming after us. But don't think we'll be the last ones. That's not how this works.'**

LOS ANGELES THREATENS JOHN MACARTHUR WITH JAIL OR \$1,000 DAILY FINE

After Grace Community Church of Sun Valley, California, announced on July 24 that it would re-start services in defiance of the governor's shut down order, the city of Los Angeles sent a cease-and-desist letter, threatening the church and its senior pastor with a daily fine of \$1,000 or arrest. The church has retained two prominent attorneys, Jenna Ellis and Charles LiMandri, to defend it against the city's threats. "LiMandri began the Freedom of Conscience Defense Fund in 2012 and has litigated high-profile cases in California for decades" ("John MacArthur Lawyers Up," PJMedia, Aug. 5, 2020). MacArthur's announcement said that since Jesus

Christ is the only true head of the church "we cannot and will not acquiesce to a government-imposed moratorium on our weekly congregational worship or other regular corporate gatherings." The state of California has released 8,000 law breakers "to stop the spread of Covid-19 inside state prisons," but now its largest city is threatening to send pastors to jail for disobeying a health mandate. MacArthur's prominent evangelical friends, such as Al Mohler of Southern Baptist Seminary, aren't supporting him in this stance. Many fundamental Baptist churches and others have long been congregating across the country in defiance of government mandates. We report on MacArthur only because of his prominence and our interest in how this case will proceed.



NEW BOOK CRITICAL RACE THEORY, SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION, AND A MARXIST “SOLUTION” THAT WILL NOT WORK

A new book *Critical Race Theory, Southern Baptist Convention, and a Marxist “Solution” That Will Not Work* is available from Lighthouse Trails. Following is an excerpt: “In an article titled ‘You Can Be a Christian, You Can Be a Marxist, But You Can’t Be Both,’ Christian journalist Joshua Lawson explains: ‘Whereas traditional garden-variety Marxism views history as a struggle between the wealthy and the working class proletariat, neo-Marxism [i.e., cultural Marxism] cranks up the heat and redefines the fight to incorporate biological sex, race, ethnicity, and a whole gambit of various identity badges. ... The grand unifying principle for the Marxists behind the Black Lives Matter movement is that everything--and they mean everything--can be reduced to oppressors versus the oppressed. If you happen to be a member of one of the oppressor

groups, then expect to see all sorts of punishments heading your way until the neo-Marxists are satisfied. Except they never are.’ **When we begin to understand that Critical Theory is a Marxist/Leninist ideology that aspires to create a communistic society through revolution, we should also understand that the end result will eliminate freedom, justice, and democracy from all citizens. We should see that CT and CRT are not solutions to racism but rather are dangerous philosophies and vain deceits that will hurt people of all skin colors and where people of color are merely being used as pawns to promote a socialist agenda only to be later discarded.**” *Critical Race Theory, Southern Baptist Convention, and a Marxist “Solution” That Will Not Work* is available from lighthouse trailsresearch.com.

PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS CONCERNED ABOUT PARENTS LISTENING IN ON THEIR LEFTIST BRAINWASHING DURING VIRTUAL LEARNING SESSIONS

The following is excerpted from “Teachers Express Concerns,” *Reformation Charlotte*, Aug. 10, 2020: “One activist, named Matthew Kay--author of the book, *Not Light But Fire*--took to Twitter to express his concern that ‘conservative parents’ might interfere with his ability to indoctrinate children with his radical views of racialism and sexuality. Kay tweeted, ‘If we are engaged in the messy work of destabilizing a kid’s racism or homophobia or transphobia--how much do we want their classmates’ parents piling on?’ It should be a concern to everyone that so many teachers and activists express this concern. The comments in the thread below this twitter exchange are, in fact, even worse than the original post. Teachers consistently complain that ‘irrational thinking’ parents are standing in the way of their leftist indoctrination. ... Gregg Halkuff tweets, ‘I teach a Conversations in Diversity course and using rhetorical questions and drawing kids out to critically think with shocking statement or contrary questioning is part of my style.’ At least one parent got it. In response to a teacher saying they won’t have the discussions because ‘parents are dangerous,’ this parent knew exactly what the correct answer was. She replied, ‘No. You are dangerous! You! You think you require a safe space with my kids? Why? You’re a teacher. I’m the parent. I create the safe space from people like you. I prepare them for life. You teach them to read and write.

84-YEAR-OLD ISRAELI ATHLETE WHO SURVIVED THE 1972 OLYMPIC MASSACRE

The following is excerpted from “Still Going Strong,” *The Times of Israel*, Aug. 9, 2020: “Shaul Ladany survived a concentration camp as a youngster, and returned to Germany as a race-walker for the 1972 Olympics. He was one of the Israeli athletes who escaped the massacre. Now 84, he spoke to The Associated Press. ... In the early hours of September 5, eight armed members of Palestinian terror group Black September climbed over the unguarded fence of the Munich Olympic village. They burst into the building where the Israeli team was staying on Connollystrasse 31, killed Weinberg and Israeli weightlifter Yossef Romano, and took nine others hostage. A lengthy negotiation with West German authorities ensued, captivating world attention with much of the drama unfolding on live television. Ultimately, 11 Israelis--five athletes and six coaches--were killed either at the village or during a botched rescue attempt at a German airfield. The massacre shocked the world, gave the Palestinian cause an audience, and ushered in a new era of global terrorism, with Israel dispatching a special Mossad unit around the world to hunt down and eliminate all those involved. ... Earlier in 1972, Ladany set his world record in the 50-mile walk in a time of 7 hours, 44 minutes, 47 seconds, shattering a mark that had stood since 1935. Ladany’s record still stands. ... He still competes, exercising every morning and marking each birthday by walking his age in kilometers. Earlier this year, he completed the full Tel Aviv Marathon.”



Shaul Ladany

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