FRIDAY CHURCH NEWS NOTES

TRUMP'S MIDDLE EAST PEACE PLAN



President Donald Trump and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu at the White House (Photo: AP)

On September 29, U.S. President Donald Trump and Israel Prime Benjamin Netanyahu announced in a joint press conference the "Comprehensive Plan to End the Gaza Conflict." Trump said, "Gaza is one thing, but we're talking about much beyond Gaza. The whole deal, everything getting solved. It's called peace in the Middle East." John Hinderaker summarizes the plan as follows: "The war ends; Israeli troops begin to withdraw; hostages, both living and dead, are returned within 72 hours; Israel will release more Hamas terrorists and others; aid will be sent to Gaza; Hamas members who put down their weapons will receive

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HOMOSEXUALS PARTICIPATE IN VATICAN JUBILEE

On September 5-6, a group of homosexuals participated openly in the Vatican's Jubilee, which occurs every 25 years and features entrance into the "Holy Doors" of St. Peter's Basilica and other basilicas. Entering the doors, which are normally closed, is considered a sacrament of salvation ("LGBTQ+ Jubilee pilgrimage marks new chapter for Catholic Church," *GMA News Online*, Sept. 7, 2025). More than 1,300 homosexuals and their supporters, including priests and nuns, "entered St. Peter's carrying rainbow crucifixes and wearing shirts with rainbow hearts" ("These Catholics just became the first LGBTQ+ people to participate," *Advocate*, Sept. 8, 2025). The pilgrimage was arranged by La Tenda di Gionata (Jonathan's Tent), "an Italian association for LGBTQ+ Christians." They called it "a symbol of visibility and hope" and "a unique opportunity to stand united and bear witness to the beauty of a Church that embraces everyone without exclusion." Bishop Francesco Savino, who conducted a mass during the Jubilee, said, "It is necessary to get rid of prejudices. No one must feel excluded. I insist, no one should feel excluded."



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amnesty; there will be an economic development plan for Gaza. ... Gaza will be governed, on an interim basis, by a 'technocratic, apolitical Palestinian committee,' supervised by 'a new international transitional body, the Board of Peace, headed by none other than Donald J. Trump. Tony Blair will also be a member. As Israeli forces are withdrawn, order will be maintained in Gaza by 'a temporary International Stabilization Force' which will be formed by 'Arab and international partners" ("Peace in Our Time?" PowerLine, Sept. 29, 2025). Mr. Trump boasts of his deal making ability and wants a Nobel Prize for Peace, but he doesn't have the power to bring peace to the Middle East or to the world in general. God's Word tells us exactly what is going to happen. The Bible's prophecies pertaining to Christ's first coming were fulfilled precisely, and its prophecies pertaining to His second coming will be fulfilled in like manner. The world will have no peace until the return of the Prince of Peace and the establishment of Christ's kingdom. Before that, the day of the Lord will bring unprecedented destruction. "For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them" (1 Thessalonians 5:3). Israel will have no peace until she repents and turns to her God and receives Jesus as her Messiah. Israel will be deceived by the Man of Sin, the Antichrist, who will come on the scene as a great peace king who will make Trump and every other deal maker of history look like pathetic amateurs. The Antichrist will sign a peace covenant with Israel and make it possible for the Third Temple to be built, but he will break the covenant after three and a half years and will set himself up in the temple and demand global worship on pain of death. "... that man of sin [will] be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshiped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:3-4). "And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name" (Revelation 13:16-17). In the press conference, Mr. Trump spoke highly of President Erdogan of Turkey and considers him part of the peace process, but Erdogan has plainly and publicly expressed his support of Hamas, calling them a liberation group, and charged Israel with mass murder, genocide, mental illness, and illegal occupation of "Palestine" ("Turkey's Erdogan," Reuters, Oct. 25, 2023). Israel's Muslim neighbors will be a reed that will pierce the hand as Egypt of old (2 Ki. 18:21). The hour is very late when the offer of the gospel will end. Mr. Trump, Mr. Netanyahu, and every other unregenerate person needs to be born again by "repentance toward God, and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ" (Acts 20:21) before it is too late.

PASTOR INQUIRES ABOUT A BOOK TO GIVE TO VISITORS

Recently I received an email saying, "My pastor thought it would be nice to give every visitor who comes to our church a book to read, a book to get them thinking about God, life, etc., along those lines. What book would you recommend?" I replied, "I suggest that you take a look at the following books: *Bible Critics Were Wrong, Bible Prophecies Fulfilled Today, The Bible's Proof, Does Salvation Make a Difference?, Questions Answered on the Bible, Scientists Who Believe the Bible, and Seeker's Bible Study.* These can be found in eBook format at the free book section at Way of Life web site, www.wayoflife.org.

FREE THE POLAR BEARS



The following is excerpted from "Free," *Powerline* Blog, Sept. 24, 2025: "It has been a while since we have checked in on polar ice. I'm sure you remember the hysteria of a few years ago--Arctic sea ice is melting! Al Gore predicted, in 2009, that the Arctic would be 'completely ice-free' by 2014. Far from having disappeared, there are still 1.8 million square miles of ice floating in the Arctic Ocean [at sea ice minimum at the end of summer]. To sum up: '[T]here has been no significant downward trend in September minimum extents over the past two decades.' Meanwhile, ice in the Antarctic region has generally expanded in recent years. Happily, the polar bears are doing fine too, as are the walruses. Climate models are consistently wrong, as are climate predictions (not only those by Al Gore)."

GOOGLE, YOUTUBE ADMIT BIDEN ADMINISTRATION PRESSURED THEM TO BAN CONSERVATIVES

The following report documents the relentless tyranny of the Democratic Party in America today, and a large portion of the nation votes Democrat and thus supports tyranny. This is excerpted from David Marcus, "Dems freak out," Fox News, Sept. 24, 2025: "On Tuesday, Alphabet, the parent company of Google and YouTube, sent a letter to the House Judiciary Committee that not only exposed the massive effort by Joe Biden's

administration to make them censor conservative voices, but also promised to offer those creators reinstatement on their platforms. It's too little, too late, but it's better than nothing. This happy news means that conservative figures such as current FBI Deputy Director Dan Bongino, Trump ally Steve Bannon, and podcasters like Tim Pool will all be able to apply to use YouTube again. While they never should have been banned to begin with, the first step in Google fixing its problems is admitting it has one. According to the letter, first obtained by Fox News Digital, the Biden administration 'conducted repeated and sustained outreach to Alphabet and pressed the Company regarding certain user-generated content... that did not violate its policies.' It is an extraordinary admission

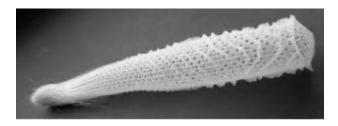


that builds upon a mountain of evidence that COVID contrarians, who mostly turned out to be right, by the way, were severely censored by big tech, at the insistence of Biden's executive branch. ... Biden had no authority to bully social media companies. Lack of authority did not stop Biden, though. First, through the release of the Twitter files after Elon Musk bought that platform and renamed it X, and now with the admissions from Google, we can clearly see that censorship over COVID, at the behest of the state, was vast and widespread. This didn't just harm conservative or COVID contrarian creators by silencing them and cutting off their ability to make money from their content, it harmed every American who was denied the ability to consume that content.

THE MOST PERFECT DESIGN

The following is from CreationMoments.com, August 11, 2025: "The most perfect design I've ever seen.' Those words were uttered by a materials engineer after studying a deep sea sponge from the Pacific Ocean. And, indeed, the Euplectella aspergillun, claimed to be an early and primitive sponge, can teach modern materials engineers a number of useful things. The sponge's body is made up of a thin layer of cells over an intricate glass skeleton. The sponge grows into a cylindrical shape about 8 inches long and about an inch across. The wonder lies in the glass skeleton that is made up of vertical and horizontal beams of glass. Diagonal beams strengthen this grid. One-third of these beams are thicker than the others, adding the extra strength of ridges to the cylinder. What's more, each of these glass beams is made up of small cylinders of glass glued together with more glass-like tree rings. The result is a structure that spreads the pressures

that might crush an ordinary glass structure this size. It is a delicate looking, but nearly unbreakable, glass structure. In a less-than-scientific test, one researcher noted that one has to jump full weight on one of these cylinders to even produce any cracking, and such jumping will still not break it. 'The most perfect design I've ever seen,' said the researcher. There's little that we at Creation Moments can add to that. Ref: *Science News*, Aimee Cunningham, 'Making the Most of It."



Euplectella Aspergillum

SET YOUR AFFECTIONS ON THINGS ABOVE, AMERICANS

The following by Dwight Gullion of Gullion's Christian Supply of King, North Carolina, expresses a proper attitude toward America by Bible believing Christians: "I must say that my heart swells with emotion and American patriotism at times. It's not that I don't love the land of my earthly citizenship, it's just that, in light of eternity, my earthly nation is but a tiny speck in comparison to my heavenly one, and my heart, emotions, and mind *should* be *consumed* with loyalty to my true King and His eternal Kingdom. It may even be that the more patriotic we tend to be to America in our flesh, the more we should study to keep that loyalty in check."

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