



# DID YOU KNOW?

Looking at the Seven Mountains of Culture • Exposing Current Events so that We Are “Wise As Serpents.”



## JOY TO THE WORLD

By Laurie Ortiz

*“Are you past the point of weary? Is your burden weighing heavy? Is it all too much to carry? Let me tell you ‘bout my JESUS!”<sup>(1)</sup>*

When we look around the world at all the chaos and evil dealings, as Christians we can sometimes lose sight of the fact that GOD is STILL on the Throne! Pastor Laura cautioned us in the November DYK issue to keep things in perspective. That said, let me tell you ‘bout some GOOD things happening:

### GOVERNMENT

While many of our elected offices have been filled with progressive ideologists, we did have several local, state, and federal offices won by candidates that adhere to Biblical values: 2 NYS Supreme Court positions, 1 seat in the Monroe County Legislature, and 11 miscellaneous Town races.<sup>(2)</sup> The state level wins are: 3 NYS Assembly seats, 2 NYS Senate seats, 2 US Congressional seats, and several Long Island positions.<sup>(3)</sup> Federally there were 20 Senate, 18 Governor, and several House seats won by those who still believe in the Bible and our founding documents.<sup>(4)</sup>

*Thanks to “Moms for Liberty,” 1776 Project PAC, and other parental rights organizations, 100+ school boards nationwide now have God fearing people seated, making needed reform possible for the safety of our kids!*

### SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Arkansas is the first state to ban gender reassignment surgery for minors under the age of 18, with 15 other states having similar bills waiting to be voted on.<sup>(5)</sup> Arizona is the latest state passing a bill that delays any irreversible gender reassignment surgery until age 18.<sup>(6)</sup>

### FAMILY

Disney’s newest film “Strange World”, featuring a gay teen romance, was a big flop over the Thanksgiving holiday. Parents are getting tired of the woke agenda and sexuality. The film is projected to LOSE about \$100 million.<sup>(7)</sup>

### RELIGION

The Christian Medical & Dental Association has won a six year Christian liberty battle against the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The case of Becerra vs. the Franciscan Alliance, “pushed a controversial transgender mandate, threatening religious doctors and hospitals with penalties unless they perform gender transitions, violating their conscience.” A nationwide precedent was set with this victory!<sup>(8)</sup>

So take heart. God is always at work “behind the scenes!”



## CHRISTMAS BELLS

Submitted by Ken Wolf

*Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, 1807-1882*

I heard the bells on Christmas Day  
Their old, familiar carols play,  
And wild and sweet  
The words repeat  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!  
And thought how, as the day had come,  
The belfries of all Christendom  
Had rolled along  
The unbroken song  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!  
Till ringing, singing on its way,  
The world revolved from night to day,  
A voice, a chime,  
A chant sublime  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!  
Then from each black, accursed mouth  
The cannon thundered in the South,  
And with the sound  
The carols drowned  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!  
It was as if an earthquake rent  
The hearth-stones of a continent,  
And made forlorn  
The households born  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!  
And in despair I bowed my head;  
"There is no peace on earth," I said;  
"For hate is strong,  
And mocks the song  
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!"  
Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:  
"God is not dead, nor doth He sleep;  
The Wrong shall fail,  
The Right prevail,  
With peace on earth, good-will to men."

## EXPOSURE TO NURSING HOME ABUSES DURING COVID CONTINUES **FAMILY**

By Linda Muhs

Did you lose a loved one in a nursing home during the pandemic? Were you frustrated and outraged by the fact that you were prevented from visiting them and being involved in their care and treatment? Well, some families have chosen to sue the nursing homes, in an effort to hold them accountable for these horrendous deaths.

According to a recent article, dated 11/21/22, "US Supreme Court Rebuffs Dispute Over Nursing Home Covid Suits," one such family has filed a lawsuit. The family of Ricardo Saldana is accusing the facility of his death in 2020, elder abuse, willful misconduct, and negligence. The article states:

"A recent decision by the U.S. Supreme Court has denied Glen Haven's appeal of a lower court's decision, allowing their lawsuit to proceed at the state level."

"Adam Pulver, a lawyer for the family, said that he hoped the decision would lead the nursing home industry to give up the 'delay tactic' of trying to move lawsuits related to Covid-19 into federal courts, and 'allow families to have their day in court.'"<sup>(1)</sup>

Another article titled, "US appeals court Rules Against Nursing Homes Over Covid-19 Lawsuits," 10/21/21, stated:

"In a setback to nursing home operators facing hundreds of Covid-19 negligence and wrongful death lawsuits, a federal appeals court on Wednesday said cases against two New Jersey facilities should proceed in state courts."

"The cases were filed in state court in April 2020 by families of four residents who died of Covid-19. They sued two nursing homes operating as Andover Subacute and Rehabilitation I & II, alleging the facilities failed to take precautions to contain the spread of the virus."

"The cases were among the first against nursing homes, where more than 100,000 people died during the pandemic. Like hundreds of similar wrongful death claims against care facilities, the cases stalled over which court should hear the lawsuit."<sup>(2)</sup>

These are just two examples of the many lawsuits that are moving forward in an effort to expose the lies & bring justice to the victims' families.

*"Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable Gift."  
2 Corinthians 9:15*

## THE NEXT P(I)ANDEMIC

SCIENCE By Barbara Sieber

It looked like Monkeypox was going to be the next p(l)andemic destined to bring destruction on the human race, but that disease seems to have fallen by the wayside and abandoned by the WHO as it was exposed as uncomfortable, not deadly, and rooted in the gay man's population.<sup>(1)</sup>

To better prepare for future p(l)andemics, the G-7 (The U.S., Canada, France, Germany, Italy, the U.K., and Japan) announced the Pact for Pandemic Readiness at its annual summit this past June.<sup>(2)</sup> They propose to train scientists and healthcare workers world-wide to create a global network that can collaborate on outbreak detection and control.

They base their scientific conclusions on the notion that animals and humans are living closer to each other ("overpopulation" and "climate change") causing diseases to jump from animals onto humans.<sup>(2)</sup> (Covid has already been proven to have originated in a lab in China with Dr. Anthony Fauci's funding.)<sup>(3)</sup> So, the more "climate change," the more p(l)andemics. We can trust they will never back off on climate change—which is itself highly debated in the scientific community.<sup>(4)</sup> In addition they created a more lethal strain of COVID in a Boston lab.<sup>(5)</sup>

So, what's next? I don't think we know. Study purchases made by countries preparing for the next p(l)andemic. ACT-A (Access to COVID Tools Accelerator) was set up by WHO and partner organizations early on in the p(l)andemic to allow for a more equitable marketplace for all countries. This international collaboration suggests that something is in the works. Pfizer made \$54 billion alone off the shots and boosters in 2022.<sup>(6)</sup> They and cohort industries make profits off the failures of the original jab with the boosters that, incidentally, do not protect. They are slyly called "vaccine breakthroughs".<sup>(7)</sup>

We do know that after the flu epidemic of 1918 the frequency and amount of viruses circulating have greatly increased. Historically, they have appeared hundreds of years apart. The Spanish Flu was 1918-20; the Asian Flu in 1957; 1981 brought AIDS. Since then we've had four!<sup>(8)</sup> Dr Fauci, who pushed the covid shot, whose treatment with Remdesivir has brought many deaths, likewise also introduced AZT to treat AIDS—which was shown to have "horrendous toxicity" causing death. And just like today's covid shot, it was rushed through with minimal testing.<sup>(9)</sup>

This leopard has not changed his spots.

## CENSORSHIP BY SURROGATE: WHAT MUSK'S DOCUMENT DUMP COULD MEAN **BUSINESS**

By Barbara Sieber

"Handled." That one word, responding to a 2020 demand to censor a list of Twitter users, speaks volumes about the thousands of documents released by Twitter's new owner, Elon Musk. As many of us have long suspected, there were back channels between Twitter and the Biden 2020 presidential campaign and the Democratic National Committee to ban critics or remove negative stories. Those seeking to discuss the scandal were simply "handled," and nothing else had to be said.<sup>(1)</sup>



## WHEN DO WE JUST THROW IN THE TOWEL?

By Barbara Sieber

Those of the Judeo-Christian mindset, are traditional in thought, and freedom loving, are constantly putting out fires. We sign petitions, call our representatives, write letters. We oppose sex education for K-6 grades, sex change for minors, and drag queen story hours only to be called domestic terrorists. We learn about the silence of unreported deaths due to shots and treatments and the hundreds of thousands of victims of vaccine side effects and cry out "no more!" into a seeming void. We see language change: "democracy," "communism," "man," "woman," turned inside out. We want secure borders and secure voting and are called haters. We want our autonomy back over our bodies, families, country. It all seems so Sisyphean...the boulder that we push uphill just keeps rolling back down upon us over and over again.

And now, we seemingly had another botched election. We warned them, "We are watching you." They in turn laugh and do it again. Do we quit spitting into the wind? Do we throw up our hands, apologize to our kids who will never know the freedom this country walked in for over 200 years?

Or do we continue to fight, talk, publish, fund, establish righteous organizations and media, run for office, speak up at school board meetings, stand in protest and PRAY? Do we really believe that this is the end, that the time of Revelations is at hand? Many prophetic voices are declaring that THIS IS NOT THAT. They declare that God, who established this nation in and for righteousness, is not done with us yet, that the gospel has not yet been heard around the world.

So, yes, fight, speak, protest, strategize, pray, praise, worship, believe, declare. The battle is the Lord's and we are his heart conscripted army.

*"I heard and my heart pounded, my lips quivered at the sound; decay crept into my bones, and my legs trembled. Yet I will wait patiently for the day of calamity to come on the nation invading us. Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will be joyful in God my Savior. The Sovereign LORD is my strength, he makes my feet like the feet of a deer, he enables me to tread on the heights." Hab. 3:16-19*

## WE LIVE IN A GREAT AND BLESSED COUNTRY!

*Perspective after 6 weeks in Developing Nation (Malawi, Africa)* By Candy Giles

Most Americans have electricity and hot/cold running water 24/7. Homes and businesses in Malawi that are hooked up for electricity experience frequent blackouts. On Sundays you can usually count on a long day without power. Many poor people live with no electricity at all and carry water from a well or spring.

Corruption is rampant. Yes, America has its share, but I talked to a contractor who has done jobs for the government and waits for payment because middle men hope for a little side payment. So this leaves him without funds to start a new job or pay his workers. The cycle of poverty continues. For one job he had to hire a lawyer to get payment! The vice-president was just arrested for corruption and faces a possible 12 years in prison. He's probably just a scapegoat to protect others, even above him .

Gas is \$8 a gallon! Sometimes it's scarce and people park their cars in a line at the gas station and wait to hear that a shipment has come in. Police are at the pumps to stop people from filling gas cans (for hoarding or black market).

The main roads are usually two skinny lanes with lots of bicycles to avoid as well as animals and pedestrians.

Walking long distances in hot weather is normal. I spent my time at an orphanage. The children walk 3 miles one way to church. The youngest was about 6 years old. High school kids can walk an hour or more to school. It's just what you do, and willingly, because most really value their education. If you can afford a "cab" the most common way is to ride on the back of a bicycle.

Stealing is rampant. Those you really trust can be counted on one hand. Poverty is of course a factor. The same contractor mentioned above hires guards at his worksites and still equipment and materials are stolen, sometimes by people he trusted.

This is not to slam Malawi. The poverty and lack are heartbreaking but the land is beautiful and the people loving and joyful. Church is a praise experience. Small gifts are *appreciated*. For children a big treat is a slice of an orange, a lollipop, or a page to color. A plastic bag is a treasure. I was burning my garbage and a mama came running to get the plastic bag before it went up in flames.

There are many causes for the extreme poverty (including foreign aid and well meaning but misguided "do gooders")<sup>(1,2)</sup> and behind it all is an Enemy causing spiritual darkness that needs the light of Christ. We have so much more in America than we realize!

# Ring the Bells!

In the spirit of Christmas, let's rejoice in the following good news!

Compiled By Barbara Sieber



## MEDIA

Bipartisan pressure is mounting on TikTok over its ties to the Chinese government amid the potential threats it poses to national security.

[foxbusiness.com/features/pressure-mounts-tiktok-probe-national-security-privacy-threats](https://www.foxbusiness.com/features/pressure-mounts-tiktok-probe-national-security-privacy-threats)

## RELIGION

Kevin McCarthy declares, "Next year, Republicans will start every day of Congress with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance. No exceptions."

[oann.com/newsroom/rep-mccarthy-vows-to-start-congressional-sessions-with-prayer-pledge-of-allegiance/](https://www.oann.com/newsroom/rep-mccarthy-vows-to-start-congressional-sessions-with-prayer-pledge-of-allegiance/)

## GOVERNMENT

According to a new post-midterm polling, young voters are less progressive than they were five years ago—indicating a 13 point drop.

[washingtonstand.com/news/young-voters-are-less-progressive-than-they-were-5-years-ago](https://www.washingtonstand.com/news/young-voters-are-less-progressive-than-they-were-5-years-ago)

## FAMILY

Georgia Supreme Court reinstated protections for unborn babies after 6 weeks of pregnancy, while the court considers whether the law is constitutional.

[wng.org/sift/georgia-supreme-court-protects-babies-after-six-weeks-1669393940](https://www.wng.org/sift/georgia-supreme-court-protects-babies-after-six-weeks-1669393940)

## ENTERTAINMENT

**The Chosen** stuns Hollywood by opening at No 3 in the box office: 'We're Shocking The Industry'.

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