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Safe at School's Action plan to protect UK school children from LGBT Indoctrination and amoral sex education lessons

By John O'Neill

Safe at School's latest information and action bulletin highlights the dangers our children in schools will be facing in September 2020 from three new compulsory subjects which will come into force in schools in England.1. Relationships Education (RelEd) in all primary schools.2. Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) in all secondary schools. 3. Health Education in all schools. 'All schools' include academies, faith, independent and free schools. Parents will not be allowed to withdraw their children from Relationships Education or Health Education. After September 2020 parents can still withdraw their children from Sex Education in primary school. However, in secondary schools, parents will have to ask the permission of the headteacher to withdraw their child from Sex Education...These new subjects mean that it is the Government who will decide what children should learn about marriage, family, personal relationships and social values. Parents will be forced into second place when imparting their beliefs and values on these important matters to their children...From the outset it has been clear that the Government intends to use the new compulsory school subjects of RelEd and RSE to promote and normalise same-sex relationships...children will be expected to agree that such relationships, including when they have children, are just as valid, positive and beneficial as those based on natural marriage. In secondary schools: RSE presents a completely one-sided view of human sexuality and presents dangerous and unethical lifestyle choices as equally valid as natural marriage. Abortion is presented simply as one of the available options during pregnancy and pupils will be signposted to contraceptive and abortion services, without any parental knowledge or consent. HEALTH EDUCATION: This new compulsory subject, taught in conjunction with Relationships Education, shows that the Government believes it has a role in every aspect of a child's personal to page 2

GENERAL IMPORTANT NEWS

Teens with Religious or Spiritual Upbringing May Be Protected from "Big 3" Risks

Teens raised in a religious or spiritual environment may be less likely to develop substance abuse, depression and risky sexual behaviours, a new study suggests. Researchers who followed young people for more than a decade found that participation in weekly religious services or daily prayer or meditation was associated with a wide range of positive outcomes, according to the study published in the American Journal of Epidemiology. "The effects of religious upbringing, including both service attendance or prayer or meditation, are profoundly positive in protecting against substance abuse and depression, as well as contributing to higher levels of happiness and volunteering," said study co-author Tyler VanderWeele, the John L. Loeb and Frances Lehman Loeb Professor of Epidemiology at the T.H. Chan School of Public Health at Harvard University. Prayer and meditation had a bigger impact than service attendance, VanderWeele noted. "That suggests prayer and meditation may play an important role in the life of an adolescent who is trying to make sense of the world," he added. The results are in line with the findings of a study published last month, which found that kids had a lower risk of suicide if religion or spirituality was important to their parents. The kids who signed on for the study are the children of men and women who took part in the Nurse's Health Study. The researchers found that compared to others, teens who attended religious services regularly were: • 12 percent less likely to suffer from depression • 33 percent less likely to use illicit drugs • 18 percent more likely to report high levels of happiness • 87 percent more likely to have high levels of forgiveness. Teens who prayed or meditated frequently were: • 30 percent less likely to start having sex at a young age • 40 percent less likely to have an STD • 38 percent more likely to volunteer in their community • 47 percent more likely to have a sense of mission and purpose. The new findings were not surprising to Dr. Gail Saltz, a clinical associate professor of psychiatry at the New York Presbyterian Hospital. "Multiple studies have shown that people who are involved with their faith find it comforting, which therefore helps with their mental health and wellbeing," Saltz said. Source: Today.com (USA Family Federation for World Peace and Unification)

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and social existence...Parents risk being undermined by the school Parents and others should be aware that a number of important issues which affect children are being put forward as reasons why compulsory Relationships Education is needed. These include: SEXUAL ABUSE. ONLINE AND DIGITAL THREATS. BULLYING. Child sexual exploitation (CSE) is a serious matter and should be dealt with in the most rigorous way possible. Safe at School, however, has long been concerned that CSE is being irresponsibly used as a reason to justify compulsory Relationships Education. Parents need to be at the heart of strategies to protect children from online threats, as they are best placed to monitor and regulate their children's use of devices outside of school. Schools need to have robust policies in place to combat bullying of ALL kinds. Exaggerated claims about the extent of so-called 'homophobic' bullying have long been used as an excuse to promote LGBT ideology to children and invite homosexual activists into schools. This emphasis on homophobic bullying means that bullying for other reasons, by far the majority, risks being overlooked or sidelined. PARENTS' RIGHTS MUST BE PROTECTED. There is a risk that children will receive information and advice on these and other critical matters which parents may not agree with and will have no control over. On such sensitive issues, parents should decide what is most appropriate for their children to learn about and at what stage.

What happens next? 1. The Department for Education has said that in Spring 2019 they will publish the Government's response to the consultation, (which ended in Nov. 2018), on the Draft Statutory Guidance and Regulations for schools on the new compulsory subjects. At the same time, they will also publish the Guidance itself.2. The Government will lay before Parliament the Final Draft Regulations for approval by MPs, who will vote on whether to accept the Regulations for our children's schools. Take Action Now: 1. Send a postcard to the Secretary of State for Education. 2. Write to your MP to express your concerns about the proposals for the new compulsory subject of Relationships Education and that parents will have no right to withdraw their children from these lessons. You can use points from the Safe at School bulletin in your letter: House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA. 3. Engage with your child's school, including faith schools. Start to talk with your child's teacher/headteacher/governing body about how these new subjects will be taught in your child's school. What will be the content of the lessons? What resources will be used? Which organisation (s) will be advising the school? Schools should give full disclosure to parents. Ask your child's school for a consultation with parents on the content and delivery of these new subjects. Every parent should be given a chance to contribute. This could be schoolwide at primary level and yearwide at secondary level. Exercise your right to withdraw your child from sex and relationship Education while this is still possible. GET INVOLVED WITH THE SAFE AT SCHOOL CAMPAIGN! For postcards and bulletins (state quantity required) and for further information and to sign up for our email updates please visit www.safeatschool.org.uk you can also write to us or send an email: Address: Safe at School, SPUC, 3, Whitacre Mews, Stannary Street, London, SE11 4AB. info@safeatschool.org.uk

In her excellent article in this edition of the Update Rev. Lynda Rose highlights how freedom of religion and conscience is guaranteed under The UK Equality Act 2010, and also the European Convention of Human Rights. Such rights are also guaranteed under the UN Declaration of Human Rights, Article 18. It is vitally important that each religious person feels a deep sense of urgency and determination to defend our religious values and inalienable rights, especially concerning what is happening in our schools. It is a national scandal that homosexuals are indoctrinating children in our schools through

the smokescreen of 'tolerance' and 'equality'. The Health Hazards of homosexuality - this book highlights the horrendous health issues associated with homosexual lifestyles https://www.amazon.co.uk. Conditioning children into believing a lifetime of chemical and surgical impersonation of the opposite sex is normal and healthful is child abuse. (American College of Pediatricians). On average a homosexual relationship lasts 21 months. (Ann Widdecombe - former MP). Homosexuals are on average 23 times more likely to commit acts of paedophilia on under-16's than heterosexuals. (Stephen Green, 'The Sexual Dead End'). Our major religions strongly condemn homosexual relationships as being highly disordered and sinful, as well as being in violation of the natural moral order in the creation (Leviticus 20:13). Our homosexual brothers and sisters should be treated with the same courtesy and respect due to any heterosexual person. However, allowing homosexuals to indoctrinate children in schools is totally unacceptable and must be peacefully resisted at all costs. Recently at Parkfield Community school in Birmingham, which has predominantly Muslim children, a petition has been started which has obtained more than 400 signatures to protect the children from homosexual indoctrination. "The Parent Power launch heard from a single mother, Liane, who had fallen foul of the system, and who is now home-schooling her two daughters aged 15 and 5. She explained how when her eldest daughter, then age 11, became distressed by the sexualisation and heavy promotion of the LGBT agenda at her all-girls secondary school, she felt she had no choice but to raise concerns with the Head. The school 'did not take kindly at all', however, to her complaint, which led to staff subjecting her daughter, who has special educational needs, to what can only be described as a campaign of bullying. She was pulled from class every day and grilled: 'is your mother mentally ill? Is she having a nervous breakdown? Is there anything you want to tell us about your mother?'. Her property, including mobile phone and scooter, was deliberately damaged. She begged her mum through tears not to let her go back to school, so Liane, as is her legal right, withdrew her to be home-schooled. The school, however, then involved social services who seemed intent on portraying her as an unfit mother and she had to fight to keep her children. Thankfully, in this particular case, Liane had the courage and determination, as well as the right support, to take on and overcome the system. However, as we come to hear of more and more such instances, it is clear that her case is far from the exception and, indeed, could be just the tip of the iceberg. That is why our Safe at School Campaign, together with the new Parent Power site, are so crucial, so that parents in such situations can easily find someone they can turn to who will help them defend their children and their parental rights." Safe at School is a project initiated by The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children. A recent project of SPUC involved a postcard campaign concerning the Home Secretary Sajid Javid deliberating on whether or not to ban pro-life vigils outside abortion clinics. Thankfully, Mr Javid did not ban the vigils. It was understood that the main reason that Mr Javid did not ban the vigils was because of the more than 88,000 postcards he received via the SPUC campaign asking him to uphold the right to freedom of speech and that the vigils were peaceful, and that there was no evidence of "harassment" or, "intimidation." From this clear example of the very significant result of such a campaign, let us all take heart from that and order and distribute the Safe at School postcards and bulletins. Special thanks to Safe at School for the outstanding work they are doing in the battle to protect the innocence and purity of our children. Matthew 18:6 "But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea."

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Answer to prayer: Former Planned Parenthood building is now pro-life pregnancy centre



BETTENDORF, Iowa, October 19, 2018 (LifeSiteNews) – In a remarkable turn of events, a building that was once a Planned Parenthood facility is now home to a pro-life family

clinic which provides support for pregnant women, new parents, and their families. Planned Parenthood of the Heartland, which committed abortions in the Bettendorf, Iowa building for nearly two decades, is gone, and the space has been taken over by Life & Family Medical Clinic and the Women's Choice Centre. The infamous abortion centre was forced to close last year after the Iowa legislature moved to cut off state funding. "Republicans who won control of the Statehouse after the 2016 election forfeited Medicaid funding for its family planning network, substituting state funds," explained a report in the Quad City Times at the time of the real estate transaction last April. "The move allowed Iowa to prohibit funding from going to Planned Parenthood and other abortion providers. About a week after the budget that included the change was signed, Planned Parenthood said it would close four clinics, including the Bettendorf location." Two decades of persistent prayer: Twenty years ago, "Prolife advocates prayed fervently against construction of the facility and dropped religious medals into the earth on which it would be built," according to an Our Sunday Visitor (OSV) report. "For the next two decades, they prayed unceasingly for closure of the clinic where abortions were performed." The prayers of the pro-life advocates have been answered. After purchasing the facility, the new owners requested that a priest conduct an exorcism there because of its past use. "What better way to salvage a building than to exorcise it and fill it completely with pro-life ministries?" asked one of the Life & Family board members, according to OSV. Following the exorcism, another board member said she "felt that God was in this place."

Good news! Thousands of students at Notre Dame have taken action against pornography.

This year, as part of WRAP Week, a group of young men at the University of Notre Dame decided it was time to take a stand. They wrote a letter to their university asking to filter out pornography from campus Wi-Fi! This would certainly make a difference for their campus. A 2013 survey showed that 63 percent of male Notre Dame students have viewed pornography on the university Wi-Fi network. These courageous students are boldly taking a stand against pornography, setting an example for campuses across the country. The best part is the reasons they gave for filtering out pornography. In their open letter, the students of Notre Dame stated: "Pornography is associated with a host of issues: addiction, child sexual abuse, divorce, male fertility problems, sexual assault and the acceptance, normalization and sexualization of cruelty towards women. It contributes to prostitution, human trafficking and the proliferation of sexually transmitted diseases. It has been officially declared a public health crisis in five states. And yet, in a matter of seconds, anyone can access porn." These students are learning about the public health harms of pornography and they refuse to stay silent about it! Do you feel the momentum I feel? The movement against pornography has never been filled with so many young students who want to fight for human dignity and

healthy sexuality! Dawn Hawkins Sr. Vice President & Executive Director National Center on Sexual Exploitation.

THE APPALLING SILENCE OF GOOD PEOPLE...": WFWP CHICAGO HOSTS UN PEACE DAY WITH A PERSPECTIVES ON PEACE FORUM Written by WFWP Illinois Chairwoman Kathryn Toren Davis November 1st, 2017 [Excerpts]

The Chicago Chapter of Women's Federation for World Peace USA, in observance of the United Nations International Day of Peace, also known as 'Peace Day,' held a forum with the theme of "Peace Begins With Me: Perspectives on Peace" on September 30 at the Elk Grove Village Library. The keynote speaker, Dr. Clyde Brooks, the Chairman of the Illinois Commission on Diversity and Human Relations, is well known throughout the state for his work to foster harmony between cultures, faiths, and races. He spoke about his personal journey toward peace and his efforts to bridge the gap between diverse people. Dr. Brooks, who has travelled multiple times to the Middle East, Asia, and Africa, stated that he has great faith in people, as long as there is communication and not violence. "It is important to listen to each other and have dialogue," he stated. Dr. Brooks worked with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and shared some of King's sage advice. "Dr. King spent time in a Birmingham jail because he fought for the rights for you and I, during which time he wrote a letter. He was greatly criticized because of his approach to peace, by both white and African Americans. In his letter, he did not blame hate groups for the civil rights violations occurring at that time, but rather he blamed church-attending people and morally good people for their silence. This is a major problem in every era, when good people have the opportunity to take a stand, but instead they stay silent and therefore stand for nothing at all. Jesus warned of being lukewarm, thus creating a [passive] middle ground."

Home abortions: "an appalling psychological ordeal"

When a judge ruled in favour of the government in August, SPUC sought, and was granted, leave to appeal against the ruling. We must fight this battle because the consequences of "home abortion" becoming accepted are dreadful to contemplate. The medical abortion procedure is truly terrible. Edward Sakiz, chairman of the company that developed the abortion pill RU-486, described medical abortion as "an appalling psychological ordeal". The pregnant woman takes two pills. The first kills the baby and the second expels the remains of her child from her body. Medical abortion forces a woman to give birth to her own dead baby. And now the government wants women to be able to go through this in their own homes, without medical personnel present, and possibly isolated and alone. Or, even worse, in the presence of an abusive partner who is forcing them to go through with the procedure against their will. Fighting for these mothers and their babies is a huge financial commitment for SPUC. The final costs could come to $\pounds 500,000 - yet$ we must fight on for the sake of vulnerable women and children everywhere. Our heartfelt thanks go to all those who have contributed so generously, and at such personal cost, to our legal fighting fund. To donate to SPUC: www.spuc.org.uk. This article was published in the Winter 2019 edition of The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children's SPUC Alive Newsletter.

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June Darby was the recipient of two distinguished awards last year. June was honoured at a ceremony sponsored by the Women of Praise Award organisation for the *Women of Praise for 2018*, presented at Park View Academy in Tottenham in July, 2018. June was given this award for helping and supporting people with difficult immigration problems. In this photo June (in

the middle) is seen with her award at the presentation in Tottenham. The second award was given to June in December, 2018, by Noble People International magazine, at a ceremony at JK Banquets, in Forest Hill. The certificate stated: Pastor June Darby has ben awarded the certificate for the most respected clergy in the UK for the year 2018/2019. Because of his schedule John O'Neill delivered abortion information leaflets from The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children door-to-door in Stanmore on October 16th. The main leafletting day of the local branch of SPUC was October 17th. Dear John, Many thanks for your hard work for SPUC! I will include your 300 leaflets in the total delivered tomorrow. God Bless. Ian [Secretary, Harrow branch of SPUC]

John O'Neill continues to receive very positive feedback after speaking in different churches about moral and family issues. One Minister gave a generous financial donation to support the work on the Morality Forum. John O'Neill was one of the speakers at a Prayer Summit event at Dominion Faith Chapel at East Ham on December 14th. John highlighted about the origins of the sexual revolution and the permissive society in the UK. John also gave relevant Bible quotes and quotes from Martin Luther King Junior and other relevant quotes highlighting the importance of religious people acting as the conscience of our nation by taking action in defending moral and spiritual values.

Postcards from SPUC to be sent to the Prime Minister concerning the decriminalisation of abortion are being widely distributed, as are other SPUC postcards to be sent to the Education Secretary concerning mandatory sex education, and also mandatory relationships education. The latest Safe at School Newsletter and Abortion decriminalisation booklets are also being widely distributed. The latest online version of the Safe at School Newsletter has been sent to more than 1,000 religious leaders and other relevant people.

Information fact sheets, which contain the results of studies and surveys, regarding moral and family values, continue to be sent to key politicians, media people etc.

Letters and Emails Received

Good job Brother John. We can no longer be silenced. [Pastor Chika Amadi]

Dear John, Thank you your message. I'm sorry for the delay in responding. I forwarded your email to our communications team so they were aware of the programme and its disturbing content. [Offensive lewd programme at midday about sex on Radio Five Live] We appreciate you drawing this to our attention and for passing on the information about to whom complaints should be made. Kind regards, Libby Powell [Christian Concern]

Many thanks for your article. I am very grateful to you as always. Please keep up the good work for the benefit of humanity at large. M. W. KHOKHAR. MBE. Dear John, Thank you for this very interesting and good reading. Please keep me informed of the events and work you do as I am continuing from my father. Kind regards, Bibi Khan, Trustee, London Islamic Cultural Society, Wightman Road N8 0NA

Dear John, Thanks for the Morality Forum Updates that you always send to us without fail. I have always shared with brothers and sisters here in Zimbabwe. Thank you very much and God bless you. Laura Lynn Lyolangomo Dear Mr. O'Neill, Thank you so much for sending this Morality Forum Update regularly. I'm so grateful that you are working hard in this area. Hopefully people can be aware how important this is. May Heavenly Parent bless you and your family and Happy New Year! Sincerely, Jeong-hye

Mother Teresa - Personal Testimony Women's Federation Event - Stuttgart, Germany, November 10, 2018

Family Bellomo in Rome with Mother Teresa



Margret Reinacher-Bellomo was our guest speaker, and her topic was Mother Teresa and her own personal experience with this saintly woman. The event attracted an audience of fourteen, and we gathered round a festively decorated table

to share refreshments before Gabriele Schickert opened the event officially with a prayer. Margret Reinacher-Bellomo and her husband Pietro worked for CAUSA (anti-communist educational organisation) in the Vatican, and it was there in Rome in 1985 that she met Mother Teresa, having volunteered to serve in her mission. Mother Teresa was a frequent visitor to the Vatican and in Rome she trained the Sisters for the work as 'Missionaries of Charity'. She and her Sisters lived in absolute poverty and all that they did was only made possible by donations and the help of compassionate people. In Rome they established houses for the homeless and ill (including a house in the Vatican). Every day they prepared food for up to 400 impoverished people and visited the slums of Rome. Margret was often able to assist Mother Teresa as a driver and accompanied her when she went shopping or visited the slums. She showed us impressive photos of this time when she worked in the Vatican. We then had the opportunity to watch a film about Mother Teresa, entitled 'Mother Teresa's Testament', which was in the form of an interview with Mother Teresa about her work, especially in the slums of Calcutta. Her love and selfless life for the sake of the dying, the sick and suffering, the physically and mentally handicapped, the unwanted children, and even the unborn was demonstrated. She vehemently opposed abortion and arranged adoptions for unwanted children. The religious affiliation of the suffering people was of no consequence to her. We were all deeply moved by this film and Mother Teresa's sacrificial love and understood that she is truly a saint. Once more we sat down together and exchanged thoughts and ideas. Ute Lemme distributed cards with words from Mother Teresa, which were then read aloud. Margret Reinacher-Bellomo closed the meeting with a prayer, before we took our leave of each other, grateful to have experienced such an uplifting afternoon.



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Brother and Sister's Realm of Heart

A. Brother and sister's realm of heart.

3. Loving your brother, he becomes part of you.

• When your parents love him, you feel benefit.

• If he becomes wealthy, you enjoy visiting his mansion as if it were your own home.

• If your elder brother becomes famous, he can lift you up and help you. His success is felt as part of your success.

4. In the brother-sister realm of heart, one learns a sense of order, hierarchy of position and status.

• Elder and younger brothers, elder and younger sisters each embody different qualities of relationship.

• Elders inherit parental responsibility for the younger. Elders identify with the parents first, and then tend to treat their younger from the parental position.

• Thus, boys and girls learn how to be parents.

• The younger children learn the same thing by taking care of their nephews and nieces.

• The younger's respect for his parents also is given to his elder siblings, who are loving him with some degree of parental love (love for father to the elder brother; love for mother to the elder sister).

• This is the basis of respect for the authority of those who are taking public responsibility (owners, managers, governors, teachers).

5. Order within the family translates into order within the society.

• Brother and sister's realm of heart is necessary for proper relationships between different positions in society. There are many complicated relationships, but the principle is the same. In fact, brother and sister's realm of heart includes an empathetic happiness when your sibling excels, receives accolades and advances. Cultivating true brotherhood and sisterhood in the family thus trains us to live well in society, and this creates a peaceful society.

• Brotherhood is the foundation for democracy. However, without the presence of God through a strong religious life, democracy has the same limitations as we would have as brothers with no parents.

6. Where there is no brother and sister's realm of heart, relations are frequently poisoned by envy and jealousy of the favoured sibling. This is illustrated by the biblical stories of Cain and Abel, and Joseph and his brothers.

• Since elder-younger siblings order is set through the love of their parents, without true parents, social order ultimately breaks down.

• Rising crime rates in the inner cities are due to the lack of parents. Without parents, these children could not develop respect for their brothers and sisters.

• Crime rates correlate with single parent families and illegitimacy.

• From this pattern of the lack of parental love leading to

conflict between brothers, wars have proliferated, plaguing humankind. Today, conflicts in Bosnia, the Middle East, racial divisions in America, linguistic divisions in Canada are all manifestations on a large scale of the basic failure of people to live as true brothers and sisters.

• The problem is that men and women have never experienced the conjugal realm of heart nor practised the parents realm of heart. Modern society virtually lacks this experience, and people often have trouble with authority. This has led to the spread of anarchy within many segments of the population, affecting schools, neighbourhood, businesses and the general civic atmosphere. Also, there is a lack of respect for others in modern society, which leads to a lack of proper self-respect. Therefore, people try to gain respect and self-respect through acquiring money, fame, influence and knowledge.

7. With universal brother-sister love, the world will welcome you.

• You don't want to kill your brother or sister out of jealousy over your parents' love, neither do you wish harm to come to any person, no matter how privileged his position. We all have the same parents: God.

• Social institutions, denominations, nations are each different. But relationships among them should be brotherly, centring on the harmonious relationship of their representatives. This will create a beautiful society.

• With a pure mind and heart, you can travel anywhere and relate with anyone with genuine love and respect.

• Ultimately, brother and sister's realm of heart enables each person to relate well with all twelve personality types. This means each person has a "round personality" (not sharp and jagged).

• This is the necessary preparation for marriage and the commitment of one's love for all humankind to one person, one's eternal spouse who represents all humankind.

The Conjugal Realm of Heart

A. The conjugal realm of heart.

1. A man and a woman who have graduated from the children's realm of heart and brother-sister's realm of heart are ready to enter the conjugal realm of heart.

• They are capable of receiving love.

• They are capable of relating equally well to all twelve types of people.

• They are capable of self-denial and self-sacrifice for the sake of others. Therefore they are qualified to give absolute love.

• Their love is pure and their hope and vision for the future are strong.

2. Each has become God's temple.

• Otherwise, God's love cannot be present in their union, and there is no foundation for their love to last.

• They have followed the vertical ethic, being a son and daughter of filial piety, patriotism, saintliness and holiness.

• They have developed their conscience.

• They have the heart to expand their love to the community, nation, world and cosmos.

• Jesus said: love your enemy, be like God who sends rain upon the just and the unjust.

• Buddhism teaches that ignorance and attachment comes from egoism.

(to be continued...) (from the book "True Family Values" by Wilson and Pak http://www.hsabooks.com/books)

The Myth of Secular Neutrality

(Text of talk given by Rev. Lynda Rose at the Christian Coalition for Education Conference in Oxford, Saturday 24th November)

In multi-cultural Britain, where the majority of the population actually have no faith, secularism is presented as the objective voice of reason working to establish successful democratic governance across the world. "We campaign for a secular democracy with a separation of religion and state, where everyone's Human Rights are respected equally." This is the mission statement of the National Secular Society on their website. (https://www.secularism.org.uk/uploads/rethinkingreligion-and-belief-in-public-life-a-manifesto-for-change-4.pdf) Sounds wonderful, doesn't it? You might think these are people we can really trust. But the truth is rather different because, in reality, Secularists are enemies of faith groups and are leading an open and explicit campaign to remove all trace of Christianity from public life. Secularists of course reject any idea of God, but over and above that they claim that religion is repressive, and responsible for most of the world's ills - which is why, they say, its influence needs to be removed. [1] And they're the ones to do it, because they're objective, reasonable, neutral ... simply campaigning for a better and fairer future for all. At every level this is a lie. Secularists are not neutral, they are not tolerant, and they are not fair. What we have to realize is that Secularism actually is a competing ideology or belief system - in effect it's a religion, and it wants total dominance. Secularists may claim to defend tolerance and freedom of speech for all, but the reality is they will not allow any dissent. They want total subjugation.

Let's not be under any illusion. If they can, Secularists will not just close down all faith schools

(https://www.secularism.org.uk/faith-schools/); they'll remove every last trace of Christian influence and morality from the whole of education - because education, with its power to shape young minds, can transform the defining values of our culture. Education is the future. As first said by Aristotle, 'Give me a child till he's seven, and I'll show you the man', or as it's sometimes remembered, "Give me a child till he's seven, and he's mine for life". If you can 'control' what children think, and the values and attitudes that they're going to live by, you'll control the future direction of society. This is why we're seeing the incredible and deliberate rebranding going on in education today, not just in Relationships and Sex Education, and Health Education, but across the whole curriculum. When it comes to RSE, the underlying rationale being put forward by Government is that we have to equip children to face the modern world. The only way we can protect them, they say, is by giving ever more explicit and graphic teaching about sex, so that they can exercise informed choice, when they're ready. It's been an absolute disaster up to now, but the Secularist pitch is that any hint of retrogressive Christian morality or judgement must be excluded - because that denies the fundamental and inalienable right of every last one of us on the planet - male, female, gender non-binary, questioning, or simply plain confused - to have consequencefree sex whenever and wherever we want. But even more worryingly, this is now percolating through into the whole of education, with a growing number of reports coming through of advice being given to schools by LGBTQ advocates on how to shape the whole academic curriculum so as to promote and embed 'diversity'.

For example, CREATING AN LGBT- INCLUSIVE CURRICULUM is a recent resource put out by Stonewall for use in Secondary schools, advising teachers on how to make all subjects 'inclusive'

https://www.stonewall.org.uk/sites/default/files/inclusive_curri

culum guide.pdf). Thus, in English, teachers are encouraged to study LGBT writers, set against LGBT identity and culture, and to explore LGBT themes. In Maths, for problem solving, they're recommended to include references to LGBT people and different family structure, with the example being given, Mr X & Mr Y want to know how much it will cost to have a holiday in Italy if...', 'Lila's mums are trying to calculate...' Yes, we're having something of a battle at the moment over Relationships and Sex Education, and the downgrading of the parental right to withdraw their child from sex education classes to a right of request. And that's dangerous. But I would suggest that far more pernicious and concerning is this covert reframing of the curriculum that we're seeing 'sliding' in, deliberately brainwashing children into accepting without question the so-called new values - like gender choice, sexual fluidity, the equality of all relationships... If LGBT activists get their way, children won't learn anything else. Make no mistake, what we are up against is deliberate and planned indoctrination. It's the imposition of secular totalitarianism, and it's scary. So what can we do? Well, first of all, we need to stand on our rights under the law. The Equality Act 2010 lists 9 Protected Characteristics. Age; disability; gender reassignment; marriage and civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity; race; religion or belief; sex; sexual orientation. Please note, there is no hierarchy to these characteristics, so religion or belief is protected equally alongside sex and sexual orientation. At the same time, the rights to freedom of religion and of speech as set out in Articles 9 and 10 of the European Convention on Human Rights are protected by the Human Rights Act 1998. So we have a protected right under English law to state and to defend our belief. We have a right to call for respect of that belief. And we surely have a right to call any attempt to suppress or denigrate that belief a hate crime. Under Protocol 1, Art 2 of the European Convention, parents also have the right to have their child educated in line with their religious or philosophical beliefs - which means we are entitled to object to the promotion of promiscuity or LGBT indoctrination, on the grounds that it conflicts with our faith. More than that, we have the right to have our children educated in a way that respects our faith. Second, we need to highlight the very real physical risks and dangers to which children are being exposed by this teaching. The adverse health outcomes of promiscuity and sexual behaviours that only a few years ago would have been labelled deviant are well documented. We need to demand that children are taught the full truth. That some of the 32 STIs currently going round, for example, are untreatable, and not just life changing but life threatening: or that early onset sexual activity will impair their future ability to form a stable, long-lasting relationship. Children shouldn't be taught that they have a right to sex as soon as they hit puberty, and that all they need do to be safe is to use a condom. They shouldn't be encouraged to experiment with their sexuality before deciding whether or not they're heterosexual, nor should they be taught about oral and anal sex. Young girls shouldn't be given the message that this is a way to avoid pregnancy! Is this really Secular neutrality fighting to protect children and keep them safe? No, it's ideological exploitation and abuse in order to engineer social change. Whether parents or teachers, it's time for us to speak up to protect the nation's young, and to challenge this diet of lies, misinformation and deliberate distortion before it's too late. [1] "One of our key aims is that the UK should be a secular state guaranteeing human rights, with no privilege or discrimination on grounds of religion or belief...many of the barriers to secularism involve legal privilege for Christian groups in particular, using historical justifications for continued advantage over others.

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Collegiate Association for the Research of religion, whatever brings us together to a point of convergence **Principles Grand Rapids Inspires Students to be Ambassadors for Peace** Contributed by Josue Kisile

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On November 15th, CARP Grand Rapids hosted a Campus Talk with the theme "Peace Starts with Me" on Grand Rapids Community College (GRCC) campus. This event was cosponsored by CARP and the Universal Peace Federation (UPF), a sister organization to CARP. A total of three professors, three faculty members, and 40 students attended. The purpose of this Campus Talk was to inspire and empower students to be Ambassadors for Peace who seek points of convergence among people rather than those of divergence. We wanted to pass the message that only when I as an individual become peaceful can the society be peaceful. Hence, Peace Starts With Me. "The world is filled with a lot of conflicts and divisions and the sad part is that no one wants to take responsibility to fix the problem. Instead, we resort to

blames and finger pointing. So, our goal was reminding our community that unless we do something, nothing can happen. We have to possess within ourselves the qualities that we want to see in the society in this case peace." - Josue Kisile, CARP

GRCC President. The program began with a musical performance by Kaitlyn Zittel and Isabel Zittel, sisters and friends of CARP, performing their own songs. For them, it was a good opportunity to use their talents for the sake of peace. The main presentation was given by Mr. Ricardo De Sena, President of Universal Peace Federation USA. He began by explaining the reason why all global effort for peace has not been successful; the source of conflict is within and not

without—it all begins in the mind. For that reason, we need a revival of the heart or mind. In his presentation, Mr. De Sena focused on three fundamental principles of Peace Building: First, we are one family under God. He explained that in order

for peace to come, we need to acknowledge each other as brothers and sisters from the same family—the family of God. We have to love, respect, and care for another. He explained that it doesn't matter whether you call him God, Allah, or the One; the truth is that we all come from a common source, a God of love. "This concept of God, for me is not religion, it is a key principle," he said. He called the audience to treat people with love regardless of their race, religion, nationality or ethnicity. His second point was that the family is the school of love and peace. In the family, we learn how to treat one another. We learn the basic principles of love, respect, and care for others. That is why UPF focuses on strengthening the family as the building block of the society. "The family is like a training ground for how to treat people and the building block for world peace," he said. Lastly, he talked about living for the sake of others. He explained that living for the sake of others is the highest virtue and the foundation for peace. When we begin to look out for the other more than we do for ourselves, peace can come. He concluded his presentation by calling the audience to adhere to these principles as true Ambassadors for Peace. "Ambassadors for Peace are those who carry these principles in their walks of life," he explained. Such people become the "heart and conscience" of the world. The call for Ambassadors for Peace is to be the bridge of peace whenever there is conflict. This begins by taking responsibility for the problem and seek reconciliation. It's a quest on each one of us because peace starts with me. CARP Grand Rapids Advisor, Dr Stephen Barton, gave the closing

remarks. In his remarks, he called the audience to get rid of the word "tolerance" and start loving them. "We should not tolerate people, we should love them," he said. He also called the audience to be people who focus on the points of

convergence rather than those of divergence. He concluded his I caution people from making the assumption that what the talk with these words: "I am here to tell you that religion or no postmodernists

and understanding what is great about all of us and how we can celebrate it and not just tolerate it, whatever that is, that's what Rev.Dr. Moon [the founder of CARP] was all about, and I am grateful for that. And to me, that is the hope of the world: our ability to have talks about what we have in common—the points of convergence. Just like my choir, when they come

together, it doesn't matter that they are different, what matters is that they converge into something beautiful. That's all that matters in this world. If you stay your whole life talking about

what is different, you are the slave to divergence." CARP members, professors, and faculty members left inspired and hopeful for a peaceful world. They shared their gratitude and determination to become Ambassadors for Peace and support CARP's cause of creating a world of peace.

Pastor Slams Abortion in Passionate Post: It's the "Greatest Atrocity of Our Time"

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6:22PM WASHINGTON, DC (Life News) An influential California pastor slammed abortion as the "greatest atrocity of our time" on Instagram over the weekend. Kris Vallotton, the senior pastor of Bethel Church in Redding, California, showed an image of an unborn baby to his 150,000-plus Instagram followers and accompanied it with his thoughts about abortion, Planned Parenthood and the value of every human life. "Somebody tell me this isn't the greatest atrocity of our times!" Vallotton wrote. "This could be stopped in one year in America if we refused to vote for any candidate who was pro abortion." He described Planned Parenthood, which aborts more unborn babies than any other group in America, as a deceptive proponent of this atrocity. "Don't forget that much of this is done under the guise of 'family planning' by Planned Parenthood who 'helps women'," Vallotton wrote. "(Never mind that half of these babies are females), and is still funded by your tax dollars and by the harvesting of organs from these non-humans. Funny how a blob of cells aren't human but they have harvestable organs." Planned Parenthood performs about 320,000 abortions a year and receives about half a billion taxpayer dollars annually, despite numerous scandals involving potentially illegal sales of aborted babies' body parts, Medicaid fraud and failures to report sexual abuse of minors. Its most recent annual report showed a record income of \$1.46 billion. Vallotton said the abortion industry's arguments are "crap," and "people will do anything to justify their selfish lifestyles." The pastor ended his passionate response with a challenge to Christians – and anyone else who is pro-life. "100 years from now abortion will go down as one of the greatest crimes ever perpetrated against a people," he wrote. "It will be viewed along with the slaughter of native Americans, the enslaving of the black race, and the genocide of the Jewish people. In those days our great, great grandchildren will ask 'Why didn't people do something to stop this?' And we will answer...?" he concluded. Every year in America, nearly 1 million unborn babies are aborted. Since the U.S. Supreme Court ruled on Roe v. Wade in 1973, about 60 million babies' lives have been legally destroyed. Abortion truly is an atrocity because it destroys the lives of the most innocent and defenceless among us — children in the womb.

TRANS-LAWMAKING: WE HAVE WAYS OF MAKING YOU TELL LIES

By Stephen Stacey

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say they are after has anything to do with what they are actually after. They are not after equity. They are not after tolerance. They are not anyone's 'friend'. Not at all. They are after power, and that is it. And they use all this compassion language and I'm on the side of the oppressed. You just have to scratch the surface of their thinking and see how fast that vanishes. All this compassion language exists just to hide their underlying drive to power. This ties in with their own postmodernist philosophy that there is nothing but power ~ Jordan Peterson. In trans-lawmaking, the progressives are trying to encourage the State to place the idea that there are more than two sexes into the law books. Germany, for example, has just introduced a third possible gender for official documents. You can now register as being 'diverse'. In other places, laws have already been made that require ordinary citizens to agree to the lie that there are more than two sexes. If a person wishes to be referred to by the personal pronoun 'per', or 'they', or 'ze'-rather than the social norm of 'he' or 'she'-then these laws demand that everyone respects this request. In New York, fines of up to a hundred thousand dollars can be imposed. Once more, there is mischief and a push for more power within the cultural Marxists' ways. It's good to note here that the goal of most transsexuals themselves is not to be seen as a member of a third sex. They just want to be seen as a member of the opposite sex. Life is already hard enough for them. Just being accepted as a member of the opposite sex is enough. Also, if laws demand that we all have to use these new pronouns, and large fines are connected with the misuse of pronouns, then employers become even more hesitant about hiring transsexuals. The last thing employers want is a lawsuit against their firm. Thus, laws that express the idea that there are more than two sexes are an inhibiting factor for transsexuals. Put simply, transsexuals are not the ones pushing this idea forward. Others push this forward to advance their political goals. Why do they do this? To Gain Control over Citizens: One goal is to get the State to pass laws that give the State the right to compel people to say things that they know are not true. There are XX and XY chromosomes. There are those of us who produce sperm and those us who are born with eggs. There are two sexes. Thus, there is my natural responsibility, for the sake of clarity, to call a person by the gender pronoun that accords with a person's biological sex. No other human being has the authority to force me to tell a lie. A judge or a politician has no authority to force a person to perjure themselves or to cause social confusion. Laws that force citizens, under fear of fines or imprisonment, to tell lies are compelled speech laws. Such laws, once placed into the law books, give politicians a whole host of new, unnatural powers over citizens. In authoritarian States, deceit and lies are just a normal way of life. If one looks at N. Korea today, one can often see large crowds gathering to praise the greatness of their leader. When so many of the citizens have died of starvation over the last few years are the citizens really doing this voluntarily or is this coerced speech? Are the citizens frightened of what would happen to them if they didn't show up to sing the praises of their leader? Under the tyranny of fear, people say what the State tells them to say. This is where compelled speech laws ultimately take society. Also, such laws never stop with compelled speech. They always lead to compelled behaviours. Citizens are ultimately pushed, under fear of retribution, to do horrible things to other citizens. Compelled speech laws in the USSR ended up with guards in the gulags doing atrocious things to the prisoners. Compelled speech laws under Hitler led to the inhuman treatment of Jews by prison staff.

Those who can make you believe absurdities; can make you commit atrocities.~ Voltaire. So, are there only two sexes or are there more? When politicians demand that individuals call everyone by their preferred pronouns, the State is demanding that everyone willingly believes that there are more than two sexes. Then, the State is just waiting to see who sticks their head up, to see who wants their head chopped off. If no one, out of fear of losing their head, says anything, then the State has successfully taken away some natural rights from the citizens and replaced these rights with a politically-created power to force citizens to live under fear.

In my study of communist societies, I came to the conclusion that the purpose of communist propaganda was not to persuade or convince, nor to inform, but to humiliate; and therefore, the less it corresponded to reality the better. When people are forced to remain silent when they are being told the most obvious lies, or even worse when they are forced to repeat the lies themselves, they lose once and for all their sense of probity. To assent to obvious lies is to co-operate with evil, and in some small way to become evil oneself. One's standing to resist anything is thus eroded, and even destroyed ~ Theodore Dalrymple. In such an environment, the community increasingly becomes a network of neighbours spying on neighbours. People live in fear of saying what they know to be true. In many universities today, if a professor steps out of line and doesn't use the right, PC vocabulary, he or she might be subject to weeks of intense persecution and even lose his or her job.

things; it is a completely different issue to force people to say things against their common sense, to force them to lie. The fact that this power has already been grabbed by political forces in Canada, in New York, California, and other places, is not a good sign at all. Referring to the amended human rights act of Canada-C-16... Refusing to refer to a person by their self-identified pronouns could constitute gender-based harassment; refusing to refer to a transgendered person by their chosen personal pronoun, matching their gender self-identity, will likely be considered discrimination when it takes place in an arena covered by the Code, including employment, housing and services such as education ~ Rosie DiMann. One of our core, natural. responsibilities as members of a community that is seeking to be a wholesome place to live is that people tell the truth. There are too many dysfunctional places in the world where lies and corruption have a profoundly negative effect on the whole of the social fabric. We really are grateful when people don't tell us lies. Honesty is an incredibly valuable resource for any community. Here, however, in 'there are more than two sexes' pronouns, the State is telling me that I have to tell a lie. And once it has successfully forced me to tell one lie under fear of reprisal, then the State can one day do the same again, and again. And the social fabric, with is optimized by honesty, starts to fall to pieces. Politicians are not paid to force us to tell lies. But the progressives demand, "People with GID should be treated with respect. If they do not feel like a man or a woman, if they want to claim a third gender, then everyone should respect their choice. How can you not call them by their chosen pronoun? How can you treat them with such disrespect?" What happens if someone comes up to you and says, "Hi, my name is Catherine but I don't really feel like a woman, or even a man, so, when you are talking to others about me, I want you to use the pronoun 'they' and the possessive pronoun 'per'. And if you don't, I will see your hostility as an act of violence against me. I will see you as a heartless person who doesn't respect me at all, my feelings will be extremely hurt, and I will file a complaint against you with the company personnel department." What can one make of this? Of course, under normal circumstances, one tries to respect the wishes of those around us. For the sake of mutual respect, under the right circumstances, as long we can see that such a request would not cause harm to anyone else, one might even honor Catherine's wishes. However, as this request becomes an accepted norm in interpersonal relationships then the State might come along-as it has already done so-and demand that, under the force of law, all people should be called by their preferred pronouns. What was a respectful gesture on my part, a gesture made in a specific situation where I could see it caused no harm to anyone else, now becomes a demand from the State, imposed speech, with the State interfering with my personal relationships with others. The demand is that I now have to use her invented pronouns even at times where it might cause harm to others and even at times when it is totally inappropriate to do so. Thus, this single respectful gesture is not just an event between two people. With the State threatening to step in the issue becomes of relevance to the whole of society. This issue is no longer just between me and Catherine. Can the State compel me to use an invented pronoun even in situations that might cause harm to me or to others? One of the many problems with Catherine's demand is that pronouns are not used as a means to express respect towards other individuals. That is not their purpose. Not even a queen or politicians have special pronouns that we all have to use so that we exhibit an attitude of respect when we talk about them. Pronouns exist as a means for me to communicate my thoughts to others so they know exactly who I am talking about. They exist so that the people who are talking with each other can trust and respect each other. When Catherine demands that I use a new, invented pronoun, I increase the chances that other people will misunderstand me. While Catherine's demand may work in a small group at work where everyone knows her, misunderstanding will automatically happen when people who don't know Catherine are involved. So, if a law is passed that demands that I call Catherine by her preferred pronoun in our workplace, I might be the one who loses my job when I follow the law. I might believe everyone knows Catherine's preferred pronoun, I might use it, then those who don't know Catherine might make mistakes, customers might be lost, and I get the blame. And this confusion multiplies every time another person calls themself by a new pronoun. Put simply, with the State demanding I call people by their preferred pronoun at all times, then my personal responsibility and ability to communicate clearly becomes tainted. As a result, I, or others, might lose our jobs or get fined. Out of a misguided demand that I use pronouns to respect Catherine, I might end up bringing myself, my co-workers, and my company into disrepute. Others might lose their respect for me. The actual consequences of trying to comply with Catherine's demands might lead to far more painful and troubling outcomes for others than Catherine's feeling of being disrespected. Put simply, pronouns are not there to convey respect...... to be continued in issue 73

Social cohesion is hard. It is one thing to force people to not say some