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Re: Donation to your congregation

Dear Pastor (or Rabbi),

I was a poor P.K. ("preacher's kid") – a naughty boy whose dad voted Democrat and mom voted Republican, a boy whose eventually broke and broken family wasn't at all wealthy. Today, however, my wife Donna and I are so very thankful to our Creator for His material blessings.

We're even more thankful for His gracious gift of birth, for ourselves and our 10 children, into this exceptional and tolerant nation of ours where we're free to worship and give generously without fear. Yet, since our resources aren't infinite (we're not really rich like Bill Gates or the Koch Brothers!), we're often torn between donating:

\$\$\$ to help the Church and God's People. Examples: To feed the poor; spread knowledge of the Holy Scriptures and Messiah son of David; help persecuted believers overseas; aid Israel's besieged Jews; fund clerical salaries, missionaries and NGOs; rescue Africans from Ebola and malaria, etc.

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\$\$\$ to help our hurting Nation. Examples: To alert our fellow citizens to shameless politicians from *both* parties who keep borrowing at about \$16,000 per second – jacking our \$17.8 trillion National Debt ever-higher, irreparably harming our children's prosperity and debasing our currency by adding to over \$200 trillion in unfunded liabilities.

Worse, Republicans, Democrats and Independents are *debt-subsidizing* such evils as anti-Semitism in the Middle East; the Herodian slaughter of innocent American babies by abortionists; corporate welfare, crony bailouts and sinful waste; and now, court-decreed same-sex "marriage" – very soon to be nationalized if surrendering Governors, Members of Congress and our next President fail to uphold, lawfully and appropriately, male-female Marriage and the Constitutional "Checks-and-Balances" which our nation's Founding Fathers bequeathed us. (And: To uphold Public Health Science, ie, empirical reality about the morbidity/mortality of anal sex, lesbianism and promiscuity, plus the objectively non-DNA basis and non-immutability of gay preferences).

So many needs, so few dollars! Then, we had a big idea:

As you know, in both Testaments of the Bible, it says we're all like straying sheep in need of good shepherds. Also of course, that *you* are entrusted as a shepherd of your flock – and that the Lord is our Good Shepherd.

So, here's the big idea: If you simply send an email to donationsOK@gmail.com to say you'll give out church- or synagogue-appropriate voter guides (such as are downloadable and printable via www.Christian-JewishVoterGuides.org or from elsewhere) to educate and inform your congregation about their ballot choices on the weekend(s) before Election Day, Tuesday, November 4, **we will make a donation to your congregation.**

In the past with friends we've done over \$1,500,000.00 -- but it hasn't always been clear how many "good shepherds" have cared enough to help defend their sheep from "devouring wolves."

Best case scenario: A gift of at least \$1,000, \$5,000 or \$10,000 for your ministry. ☺

Why? In July, our son visited a popular Chicago church where the pastor invited a notoriously pro-abortion Senator up front to receive the blessing of his entire, young congregation. This pastor said, "We all stand with you, Senator" – even though a rival is challenging his policies in order to end the butchery of innocent American babies (through all nine months of gestation), appallingly *subsidized* today by Capitol Hill Republicans and Democrats. Not long ago, pro-abortion politicians avoided churches. Today, as we've seen all the way up to Presidents Obama and Bush (sadly, each of them abortion financiers), they show up as wolves in sheep's clothing!

So, if you'll send an email to donationsOK@gmail.com to say you'll be a "good shepherd" and help protect your flock via any church-appropriate voter guide of your choice from www.Christian-JewishVoterGuides.org (or from elsewhere as the Spirit may lead; we're not urging any particular guide), we promise you will receive a donation.

We'll be doing all three sizes (\$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000 and possibly more levels). No strings attached, except we ask you to let us know how you'd aim to use such a donation in your ministry, confirm you did indeed supply voter guides to your congregation ahead of November 4, and later confirm you did in fact receive the funds. Maybe your congregation wishes to support ambulances in Israel via Magen David Adom, a non-profit we've helped which better enables Israelis to deal with Hamas rockets and Hezbollah terrorists. Or, maybe you have a ministry to help the homeless. Or, maybe your parish has a prison or HIV-AIDS ministry that needs a boost. Let us know!

This donation idea came to us after conversations with Jewish friends and leaders who lost loved ones in the Holocaust; with other friends involved in philanthropy; and after some intimate meals with Protestant leaders like Dr. James Dobson, his lovely wife Shirley (leader of the National Day of Prayer) and with Ralph Reed, founder of the Christian Coalition. When Jim Dobson has called you by phone around election time, we've sometimes financed the phone bill! ☺

President Obama is trying to force Dr. Dobson to facilitate chemical abortions for his employees (ironically, while Obama rightly decries chemical weapons atrocities and infanticide by ISIS in Syria and Iraq). My most recent meal with Ralph – a 30-year friend who urgently needs our prayers right now – involved a DC dinner gathering of AIPAC's board of directors; I had the unexpected delight and honor of being seated between the group's Jewish chairman and their top Christian staffer! Meanwhile, Dr. Dobson has signaled his desire to do whatever it takes to get Congress to end 100% of federal borrowing for baby-killing, to terminate all IRS- or National Debt-financed subsidies for abortionists – even if that means upsetting Capitol Hill's many *Republican* abortion financiers!

AMEN, Dr. Dobson! BRAVO! What a truly GOOD and HUMANE thing to do! Seriously, would Congress subsidize Auschwitz? Would President Obama subsidize lynchings? If not, then why are our lawmakers borrowing from China to proliferate chemical weapons in the womb (abortifacients), U.S. population decline, and the knifing of often pain-sensate American babies? How are Capitol Hill's Malthusian abortion financiers – Republicans and Democrats alike – better than Kermit Gosnell or the baby-butchers of the Islamic State?

Our largest "best-case" donation level of \$10,000 is a little over *half* the sum Congress is causing our government to borrow *every second of every day*, robbing from our children partly to subsidize such evils as anti-Semitism and Islamism supremacy via UNRWA, which funds jihad and Jew-hate in Gaza and the West Bank (Biblical Judea and Samaria); mandatory Obamacare abortion pills, forced upon groups like Dr. Dobson's, Notre Dame U and Wheaton College; unwise, unhealthful LGBT wedlock, court-imposed on a majority of "Straight States" without democratic vote of the People; and judicial supremacy (the broader, utterly absurd notion that Congress and the President must *obey* the *co-equal*, black-robed Third Branch – rather than their oaths to defend the Constitution – on any loony thing Anthony Kennedy dictates, eg, if the "Supremacist Supremes" were to order devout Jews, Catholics and Evangelicals onto boxcars for supporting Israel).

Worst case scenario: One or more fine donations for your church or pastoral/rabbinical library:

- [**Standing with Israel: Why Christians Support the Jewish State**](#), by Jewish author David Brog with a foreword by the Rev. John Hagee. David is a cousin of Israel's former Prime Minister Ehud Barak and was chief of staff to Sen. Arlen Specter. On Capitol Hill, David noticed that many Evangelical Christians were lobbying his boss to NOT be like Sen. Rand Paul in favor of cutting-off Israel from U.S. military aid. David wrote his book for both Christians and Jews to explain why so many Protestants, and more recently Roman Catholics, have come to discard "Replacement Theology" – the lie that God rejected his Chosen People when most did not recognize Jesus as their "Suffering Servant" Messiah of Isaiah 53. In the book and in places like Hollywood and Sundance where we've flown David (who today helps Pastor Hagee run the important group Christians United for Israel), he documents how U.S. Christian Zionism preceded Theodore Herzl's secular Zionism by about five years – yet tragically, too late to derail genocide in Europe.
- [**Strong Happy Family: Unexpected Advice from an Ivy League Mom of Ten**](#), a book by my beloved wife, Donna, who got sold on obeying Command #1 ("Be fruitful and multiply") before I did. Pulitzer Prize winner David L. Marcus says, "She writes about parenting in the same way she approaches parenting: in a cheerful, practical style with surprising strategies for everything from assigning chores to dealing with ADHD." See what [Joe Biden, Ray Romano, Patricia Heaton and Malkovich say at \[www.StrongHappyFamily.org/reviews.html\]\(http://www.StrongHappyFamily.org/reviews.html\)](#). I'm hopelessly biased, of course, but I really do feel this sweet book is jam-packed with timeless Judeo-Christian wisdom for moms and dads in churches, parishes and synagogues across America. ☺

- [**The Cross in the Shadow of the Crescent: An Informed Response to Islam's War with Christianity**](#), a book by Dr. Erwin Lutzer of Chicago's non-denominational Moody Church, which thoughtfully explains how our Jewish and Christian brothers and sisters overseas get persecuted by ferocious Islamist oppressors (eg, ISIS, Hezbollah) almost as lethally as Hitler oppressed the Jews (and a few courageously uncooperative "Righteous Gentiles" such as Schindler and Bonhoeffer). This insightful book is endorsed by respected Faith leaders like Franklin Graham of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association and Samaritan's Purse, by names like Mohler, Ankerberg, Patterson and others. It's been featured on Dr. Dobson's broadcasts.
- [**Hope Beyond Hell: The Righteous Purpose of God's Judgment**](#), by Gerry Beauchemin, which covers the roiling Evangelical debate about whether all or most Jews (including the six million murdered by Hitler), Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists, Unitarians, atheists, gays, cheaters, aborted babies, Democrats, New Yorkers, and Californians will burn in Hell forever. The author, popularizing seminal ideas from such thinkers as St. Gregory of Nyssa, St. Jerome, Thomas Talbot, Abraham Lincoln and Billy Graham, illuminates a *conservative* case, based on a literalist Biblical hermeneutic, for an ultimately *liberal* all-loving God who, in the end, reconciles all of humanity to Himself – such that "all Israel will be saved" and "every knee shall bow and every tongue confess" the God of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, David, Paul and Jesus is Lord. "YES," many cited voices say, He hotly disciplines adulterers, drunks, liars, gluttons, sodomites and child-sacrificing Baal-worshippers. But "NO," they say, our all-loving Father in Heaven – who welcomes the Prodigal Son and leaves the 99 sheep to rescue the stray lamb – does NOT damn any of his children to unending fiery torment forever and ever!

WARNING: If you lean toward a more Calvinist or Islamist deity (who determined or allows reality to be such that most people will suffer eternal conscious torment), the last book may upset you – or arm you for debate with the softies! Personally, I'm not 100% sure Augustine, Luther, C.S. Lewis and so many Popes have gotten Hell all wrong. And yet, I'm over 80% that God *is* LOVE and that His mercies may be much deeper and wider than most of the Church and Islam have held. Read the debate for yourself, and maybe let me know what you think, via donationsOK@gmail.com ☺

In any case, we feel it's so important for pastors to guard their flocks from all manner of "devouring wolves," when you indicate that your pews will have better-informed voters – using whatever 501c voter guide you feel appropriate from www.Christian-JewishVoterGuides.org or elsewhere – we may even try to deliver *more than one donation* before Christmas/Chanukah. (*Why do we care?* See my last P.S.!)

Whether "best case" or "worst case" gift scenario, we pray you'll do all you possibly can to be a good shepherd of the flock our all-loving Good Shepherd has entrusted to you. In the 1776 charter of our exceptional American Republic, Thomas Jefferson and the Founders declared that our precious rights of Life and Liberty are endowed by the same beneficent Creator who intelligently designed us all, male and female, to love one another, to be faithful to our *heterosexual* spouses, to be fruitful and multiply and make babies, to teach our children well and to "tend our flocks." As soon as we hear from you, we'll be giving thanks there still *are* a few faithful good shepherds like you guarding His fold.

So, check out your options at www.Christian-JewishVoterGuides.org or elsewhere and please reply "OK" today to donationsOK@gmail.com. Let us know how you'd aim to apply our potential financial donation so we may include your ministry for consideration. Kindly respond today, but no later than October 31. That day, of course, is Reformation Day for Protestants, All Saints Eve for others and Halloween for everyone else. (If you like scary movies, see my P.P.S. on the last page). Don't forget! Reply today to donationsOK@gmail.com so your good work can be fully considered for donation levels of \$1,000, \$5,000, \$10,000 and possibly others.

May Heaven richly bless you, your family and your congregation in every way!

Peace and Shalom,

Steven Baer

P.S. If you email donationsOK@gmail.com today and say how you'd use a no-strings gift of \$1,000 to \$10,000, we'll just go ahead and promise to send (at least) a donation of Donna's wonderful book [**Strong Happy Family**](#) for your library, and very possibly more. It retails for \$14.95 and we'll buy up to 5,000 copies for prompt responders. ☺ Also: If you like e-books, the bookstore can send you Donna's book FASTER in that form OR, if you prefer knowing all sides of a "hot and fiery theological debate," you can receive a FAST free edition of [**Hope Beyond Hell**](#). Just email us today at donationsOK@gmail.com. One other thing: TV producers have proposed a show (same title as Donna's book, [**Strong Happy Family**](#)) which could further the reach of her joyful message; we'd be grateful for any small prayer you may care to send up for that hope.

P.P.S. To help pastors and rabbis across America, we've invested in a wonderful new movie called ***UNFAIR: Exposing the IRS***, which on **Tuesday, October 21** and a possible 10/28 encore will – *dramatically, movingly, tearfully* – show you how atheists, “gaytheists” and lawless thugs have infiltrated the IRS for criminal harassment of churches, veterans, pro-Israel groups, pro-lifers, Marriage defenders, adoptive parents, Tea Partiers and even liberals. This terrific documentary “stars” IRS abolitionist Gov. Mike Huckabee, brave pastors like Iowa’s Cary Gordon, Jewish leaders, Fair Tax champion Craig Bergman, Ambassador Alan Keyes, Ralph Reed, Ted Cruz and an All-American cast of thousands! Get entertained and enlightened by leading your congregation – or at least your spouse ☺ – out to see ***UNFAIR: Exposing the IRS*** at a nearby theater this Tuesday. Taxes are boring, but I guarantee that you and every intelligent soul in your pews will be riveted – and maybe Halloween-scared – by what you’ll learn. Or, just pre-order the DVD for a congregational screening during the winter months. Check out the trailer, find a theater, look for the possible 10/28 encore date, or pre-order your DVD at www.unfairmovie.com. A tiny prayer for the film’s success, and for that of brave IRS abolitionists like Gov. Mike Huckabee, would be very nice ☺

P.P.P.S. But most importantly, please join us in praying HARD that many pastors/rabbis will exercise their First Amendment Free Speech and Religious Liberty Rights like good shepherds going into Election Day. As usual, noisy atheist groups are ridiculously misinforming (gullible) clerics that the IRS will revoke the tax-exempt status of congregations preaching Moses, Jesus or St. Paul on Male-Female Marriage; the Jewish-Christian “bedrock” of the Sanctity of Innocent Human Life; or “I will bless those who bless thee” support for Israel and the Jewish People. Yet, the IRS has *never, ever* stripped a church or synagogue of tax-exempt 501(c)3 status – by law they cannot! –because experts know *all churches and synagogues are automatically tax-exempt when they come into existence*, with no need whatsoever to “apply” to be regulated by the IRS bullies and censors! So, if you or any “nervous nellies” on your board feel unclear on your First Amendment Free Speech and Religious Liberty Rights, visit the clergy resources at www.Christian-JewishVoterGuides.org when you choose the right guide for your people.

P.P.P.P.S. Why do we care? Who are we? Donna was raised among Irish Catholic Democrats, I was raised a liberal Lutheran, we think some of my German ancestors were Jewish (recall the boxer Max Baer?) and we fell in love as undergrads in Providence, by the hand of Providence, at progressive Brown University. Founded in 1764, Brown sadly was built on slavery profits. But, it was known by our day as “the Democratic National Day Care Center”: John F. Kennedy, Jr. and I were friends and rugby teammates (along with Brian Moynihan, now CEO of Bank of America); Donna declined dates from John’s cousin Tony Radziwill and from Bill Mondale (the Veep’s son) to later marry-down to your correspondent. Our alma mater also boasts Watergate felons Charles Colson and E. Howard Hunt and “convicted” conservative (but not jailed) Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal, a great guy. One of Brown’s alums is Ira Magaziner (’69 valedictorian, the inventor of the school’s no-core, no-fail “New Curriculum” and later “HillaryCare” – ancestor of “Obamacare” – who now leads the Bill & Hillary Clinton Foundation).

Most importantly, Brown shares College Hill with the First Baptist Church (in America), begun in 1638 by Roger Williams, founder of Providence Plantation, friend to Native Americans and probably America’s first abolitionist – who rejected church-statism because he believed in “soul liberty” and freedom of religion. His Rhode Island, arguably the first place in modernity where religion and citizenship were distinct, became known as a place where persecuted Jews, Dissenters, Anabaptists, and Quakers could escape such terrors as the Spanish Inquisition and the Salem Witch Trials. England burned Williams’ book, *The Bloody Tenent of Persecution for Cause of Conscience*, which anticipated the USA’s First Amendment. He said, “Forced worship stinks in the nostrils of God” and coerced religion is “rape of the soul” – bad behavior which sadly unites old Europe; the Mullahs of ISIS, Hamas and Hezbollah; an abortion-mandating Obama Administration; debt-addicted GOP subsidizers of Obamacare abortion pills, Title X abortionists and Obama Administration imposition/enforcement of gay marriage against the “Straight States” and the 10th Amendment. Some opposition party!

To get away from school, I’d go to Hyannis with JFK Jr. or to Newport, home to the USA’s oldest Jewish synagogue – which Jefferson and Washington famously visited, and to whose elders our first President wrote a moving letter about Religious Liberty and God’s love for all. R.I. was the first American colony to declare independence, and the last of the original 13 to ratify the Constitution – holding out for a Bill of Rights that would include these revolutionary words: “*Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.*” Washington wrote to the elders of Touro Synagogue: “*It is now no more that toleration is spoken of as if it were the indulgence of one class of people that another enjoyed the exercise of their inherent natural rights... happily, the Government of the United States... gives to bigotry no sanction, to persecution no assistance.... May the father of all mercies scatter light, and not darkness, upon our paths, and make us all in our several vocations useful here, and in His own due time and way everlastingly happy.*”

Like Roger Williams, we’re oddballs. We celebrate Passover, Good Friday, July 4, Yom Kippur and Christmas. We love Scripture, Israelis, Africans, Indians, Mexicans, Muslims, agnostics, gays, feminists, artists, libertarians, Asians, Evangelicals, Catholics, etc. – and we LOVE it when they and all our fellow citizens honor the essential American premise which Williams, Jefferson, Washington and Lincoln set forth: That, from the tiny baby in a mother’s womb to downtrodden slaves, Yadzidis, prostitutes or elderly folks, our Human Rights are endowed by an all-loving Creator who, as per Genesis and this nation’s 1776 charter, intelligently designed us all, male and female – men and women, husbands and wives, moms and dads – to make babies and chastely care for one another, and to be free. Please do email us at donationsOK@gmail.com! ☺