

“Take Heed” Ministries

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Dear praying friends and supporters of ‘Take Heed’,

In my May 2012 update letter I wrote “The first half of 2012 is certainly proving to be a busy and challenging period for **‘Take Heed’ Ministries**”. With hand on heart I can also say that since then the pace and challenges have not slackened.

Without question in the second half of 2012 I faced what I believe was the most ‘vicious’ reaction to any article that I have ever written when I challenged the online views of a group of professing Christians who claim to ‘love truth’. Whilst their views do not directly impinge on the doctrine of salvation they are nevertheless contrary to God’s Word and in closing my article I recommended to people not to attend a then upcoming ‘Mission’ this group were about to hold locally – I could perhaps just as easily have not made this recommendation but in the light of the vitriol and untruths that were unleashed against me by members of this group in response to my article I am so grateful to the Lord for directing me to warn people against attending their meetings. I would not wish any person to ever fall into the ‘clutches’ of these people. Through it all I was greatly sustained by many messages of support, particularly from local Christians, and also by much prayer offered by many both near and far. Herewith is a sample of that support

Dear Cecil, Thanks so much for this information. As you mention Mr Lutton appears orthodox from many statements on his website but I agree entirely with your concerns on other issues... I have been aware of your website for quite some time and appreciate all you do. I'm sure at times it is a lonely furrow but your work has on many occasions been a real help to me.

Now, in my last letter I also mentioned a Revelation TV debate that I was to take part in on the subject of **‘Mary’**. Well that went ahead and it was broadcast live from New Malden, near London on the evening of Tuesday 15 May 2012 when I debated with Jesuit priest, Keith McMillan. The Lord wonderfully answered the prayers of many and if truth be told I actually felt much sympathy for my ‘opponent’ who admitted on camera to his own lack of knowledge of the Scriptures and also really struggled to get across the ‘traditions’ to which he holds.

After the debate Keith graciously accepted a book that I had brought to give to him and subsequently I posted on other literature to him as well. Even though I have not heard anything back from him do please pray for **Keith**. The video of the debate has subsequently been posted to our ministry YouTube site and to date has been viewed by over 8300 people. I received much favourable feedback in the wake of that debate and I’ll quote just one response that was sent to my fellow-contender Roger Oakland who had encouraged his contacts to view the video. Roger’s contact wrote –

Dear Roger, Thank you so very much for encouraging us to open the video interview by Revelation TV of 15 May 2012. It certainly was worth watching. And a revealing dialogue between Cecil Andrews and the Jesuit Priest, Keith McMillan. We always knew what the RC position was and is. I worked for them in teaching for almost nine years in a high

school/college - about 25 years ago. Some relatives are RC and we challenged them on Mariology, but they denied it. Cecil Andrews knew his Bible well, kept his voice calm and direct, and his body language was calm. God used him to tell the world. And Doug Harris was certainly unbiased as he conducted the interview. I hope many people around the world will be able to watch this video. It could be that Keith will take the biblical evidence to his heart and consider the erroneous position he is in, and seek life-saving change. In other words Saving Faith. Best regards, L.

Just a week later the public debates that I had set up on the subject of **'The Eucharist'** took place in Dundalk on Wednesday 23 May and in Belfast on Saturday 26 May. The debaters were my good friend from America, Rob Zins and Roman Catholic priest Patrick McCafferty. Compared to previous debates held between these 2 men back in the mid-late 1990's the turn out at each event was much less than hoped for. Nevertheless those who did attend were 'treated' to a fine presentation by Rob Zins of the Biblical view on the two aspects of **The Eucharist'** that were up for debate (namely **'transubstantiation'** and **'propitiation'**).

Earlier in the year Patrick McCafferty had gone through stressful times when he appeared in court as a witness giving evidence against someone who had abused him during his time at seminary – the accused was found guilty and given a lengthy custodial sentence but obviously the experience had taken a great emotional toll on Patrick. Nevertheless he was keen to take part in the debates and I am grateful to him for that. Even though numbers attending were small the video of the Dundalk debate is posted to our ministry YouTube site and to date over 670 people have watched Rob's opening presentation.

I had organised for DVD copies of a previous debate in Enniskillen between Rob and Patrick (dating from 1996) to be available to those attending the debates so as the numbers attending were low I was left with a surplus of DVDs so enclosed with this letter is a copy of that DVD. For those living outside the UK this enclosed PAL DVD may possibly only play on your computer or on a 'multi-zone' DVD player – apologies but I don't have any NTSC DVD copies.

Maynooth Community Church: 'Why Evolution Is Not Our Enemy'

In my May 2012 update letter I wrote **"I started work on an article by way of response and have made good progress but it has somewhat ground to a halt... I would very much covet your prayers that in due course I shall be able to return to the writing of the article and finish it"**. Thank you for your prayers and the article was in due course finished and posted to the ministry web site during May 2012 where it can be viewed. I finished the article with these words – **"In writing an article that states 'Why Evolution Is Not Our Enemy' Dr McCrory (the minister of Maynooth Community Church) has shown himself to be "neither cold nor hot" (Revelation 3:15) and clearly the Lord has no taste for such as we read in the following verse, Revelation 3:16 ("I will spew thee out of my mouth"). To any true believers in Maynooth Community Church the Lord's command to them is clear - "be zealous therefore and repent" (Revelation 3:19)."**

Assorted Warnings for people to 'Take Heed'

During the second half of 2012 a number of articles and/or warnings were posted either to the ministry web site or to our Facebook site – I should say that Facebook is an excellent ‘tool’ for quickly circulating warnings about matters of concern.

The first warning related to a so-called hoped for **‘Revival 2012’** where the Belfast organisers invited **Nicky Gumbel**, the main architect and promoter of the **‘Alpha Course’** to be their headline ‘Revival’ speaker. I included in my article these words – **“Yet again the notion and hope of ‘Revival’ (In Ireland) is being proclaimed and the supposed possible ‘agents’ or ‘instruments’ to be used for this notion and hope of ‘Revival’ are named. Much as I would long to see a genuine ‘Revival’, not only in Ireland but worldwide, I am fully persuaded that these men will not be the ‘agents’ or ‘instruments’ of such a ‘Revival’. The ‘spirit’ behind ‘Toronto’ and ‘Alpha’ is a “seducing spirit” (1 Timothy 4:1) and the so-called ‘fruit’ of these events and initiatives has overwhelmingly failed the tests of time and scripture”.**

The next warning related to news that **Todd Bentley** was scheduled to speak in September both in England and also here in Northern Ireland (in Portadown). As well as posting a warning article against the ‘ministry’ of Todd Bentley (he was the man who supposedly had a great ‘healing revival’ in Florida in 2008 until it was discovered he was at the same time having an adulterous affair with one of the female members helping at the ‘revival’) I also contacted the local MP (who is a Christian) to ask if he could lobby the Home Secretary and ask her to ban Mr Bentley from entering the UK because of the violence associated with his ‘ministry’ (Australia had earlier in the year forbidden entry to him on these grounds). Thanks to his lobbying and that of the relevant English MP Mr Bentley was in due course denied access to the UK.

The third warning related to a speaking visit to Belfast by **Tony Campolo** in October and part of my article read **“Whilst I understand the evening is being organised to focus upon humanitarian matters and it is hoped that it will result in sponsorship for needy children trapped in poverty it is nevertheless being promoted as a ‘Christian’ event and that is why I believe that serious concerns about the main speaker, Tony Campolo, must be aired... Commendable as the ‘humanitarian’ aims may be, I believe it is biblically necessary to sound a clear warning about the scripture-contradicting teachings of Tony Campolo in the hope that any who attend the planned meeting will not be drawn into becoming followers of his false teachings”**

The final warning was posted to Facebook and read as follows – **“I have just been alerted to a visit next weekend (Sunday 11th and Monday 12th November) by John Arnott who oversaw all the dreadful deceptions that took place in the Lord’s Name in the mid 1990’s when supposedly a ‘Toronto Blessing’ was being poured out at Mr Arnott’s church in Canada. His visit next weekend is being hosted by Glenvarna Christian Fellowship in Newtownabbey. If you want to see disturbing examples of what happened at Mr Arnott’s church in those days then go to the following YouTube links <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-RM2A3sVYGU&feature=plcp> Watch from 46 minutes to the end – then go to <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vTEEURiKzqw&feature=plcp> and watch the first 10 minutes”**

Finally I want to mention a further TV debate that I took part in on Tuesday 23 October. Once more it was organised by Revelation TV with Doug Harris as chairman. Since May

Revelation TV had relocated to Spain so I flew to Malaga on Monday 22 October. As well as the live debate with Peter Williams of 'Catholic Voices' I also recorded a programme focussing on my testimony and the ministry of 'Take Heed'. Provisional plans are that this programme will be broadcast sometime in January 2013 (DV). As I type this letter news has come through in recent days that Doug Harris is in hospital as a tumour has been discovered close to his liver so I would earnestly ask you to pray for Doug at this testing time.

This debate on the subject of '**The Mass**' was as I had anticipated a much more challenging debate than the one in May. Peter Williams is highly qualified academically and articulate but I think this worked against him as a lot of what he said would have been 'over the heads' of many viewing the programme. Again I have been encouraged by feedback (again it is on YouTube with over 1900 viewings to date as I write). I have subsequently posted 2 articles on our ministry web site dealing with false beliefs put forward by Peter that could not be addressed during the live programme. Also Rob Zins is penning an article that will address claims made for the Greek language by Peter during the course of the debate. Let me quote some excerpts from one encouraging feedback message that I received on this debate

Dear Mr. Andrews, My name is... I was perusing Mike Gendron's monthly newsletter which featured a story along with a link to your debate... After watching the entire debate... I'm so proud of you for your Biblical truths... while sharing and teaching the TRUE gospel of our Lord Christ... I thank you so much for your contribution of service to our Lord by sharing your God given ability to debate for Christ's sake... I've just added my name to your email list and look forward to learning and hearing about you and your ministry. God bless you and your family for the work you do and the support they give you. In Christ's Service, ML

On a personal level one week in August 2012 was very much a week of mixed emotions. On Monday 20 August Margaret and I celebrated with family and a few friends our Silver Wedding anniversary and together we recalled and gave thanks for the goodness of our God in bringing us together. Then on Saturday 25 August we said farewell to our beloved Yorkshire terrier, Benji, who had been with us for over 15 years but again, in our sorrow, we gave thanks to our God for all the joy that Benji had brought to us – faithful and loving pets truly are a blessing from God - not that evolutionists would agree with me!!

I close by thanking each of you for your support of '**Take Heed**' whether prayerful or practical and in so many cases both. We stand on the threshold of a New Year and our prayer is that the Lord may be pleased to again open up opportunities to serve him. Please continue to pray for us and if you would like to support practically then please make use of the enclosed yellow '**support letter**'. With all good wishes in Christ for 2013 (DV).

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