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THE BLOOD OF THE MOON. A new book written by George Grant has proven to be a tremendous help in understanding just what the problems in the Middle East are all about. The book traces the bitter hatred between Arabs and Jews all the way back to Isaac and Ishmael. "From Ishmael came the Arabs. From Isaac came the Jews." Ancient and contemporary Arab leaders repeat their "Holy" aim to kill every Jew. The author is Executive Director of Coral Ridge Ministries in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Grant points out that all the political and spiritual frenzy is an all too predictable result of conflicts clearly portrayed in the Bible. The book is available in many Christian bookstores or from the PCA Bookstore in Atlanta.

"X" RATED FILMS ARE NOW CALLED NC-17. *Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Baltimore, Maryland*, advises that the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA) decided that the label X served to unduly prejudice the public against a certain art form. It was also announced that Blockbuster Video, a nation-wide chain of video stores, rejected an offer to carry NC-17 movies.

THE BEST OF ENGLAND AND SCOTLAND. Christian Education/Publications and Women In the Church of the Presbyterian Church in America are sponsoring an 15 day educational tour starting on August 27. The theme of the tour is *Our Presbyterian Heritage*. CE/P WIC hosts and hostesses will be on each tour bus. Dr. J. Philip Clark, who has been through the area many times,

will be guest lecturer. For further information, contact the Christian Education office in Atlanta or call Educational Opportunities at 1-800-274-8485.

HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD SAY NO TO SEXUAL PRESSURE. *Immanuel Presbyterian Church in Miami, Florida*, engaged Josh McDowell, author of *Why Wait?*, to present a seminar to help church families and their friends understand and deal with the problem. Students in and above the 5th grade were invited to hear the funny and popular speaker give honest and straight answers to questions about sex, dating and love. Parents were invited so they could hear Josh talk to the teens and answer their questions.

The Immanuel Youth Council also presented an eight week course with the same title. The video series is offered to parents who want to understand and help their children stay pure in the present sexually saturated society.

A CHRISTIAN NATION. *From St. Paul Presbyterian Church, Jackson, Mississippi.* In 1892, the United States Supreme Court determined, in the case of *The Church of the Holy Trinity vs. United States*, that America was a Christian nation from its earliest days. The court opinion, delivered by Justice Josiah Brewer, was an exhaustive study of the historical and legal evidence for America's Christian heritage. After examining hundreds of court cases, state constitutions, and other historical documents, the court came to the following conclusion:

Our laws and our institutions must necessarily be based upon and embody the teachings of the Redeemer of mankind. It is impossible that it should be otherwise; and in this sense and to this extent our civilization and our institutions are emphatically Christian...This is a religious people. This is historically true. From the discovery of this continent to the present hour, there is a single voice making this affirmation....We find everywhere a clear recognition of the same truth....These, and many other matters which might be noticed, add a volume of unofficial declarations to the mass of organic utterances that this is a Christian nation.

Our forefathers understood that, in the words of Benjamin Franklin, "God governs in the affairs of men." Any nation that refuses to acknowledge that God is the "chief cornerstone" in the building of a nation, including the United States, will succeed no better than the builders of Babel.

The rich Christian heritage of America is evidence that we began as a Christian nation, cognizant of the fact that God is truly the ruler of the kings of the earth. Any nation that rejects God as its sovereign will be broken "with a rod of iron" and will certainly "perish in the way."

The Debate Over Christian Reconstruction.
by Gary DeMar

The GENERAL ASSEMBLY of the PCA will be held at Briarwood Presbyterian Church in Birmingham, Alabama. Dates are Monday, June 17 thru Thursday, June 21st.

MOMS IN TOUCH. At *Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church in Lookout Mountain, Tennessee*, a group of mothers meet once a week for an hour to intercede on behalf of their children and the schools they attend. Knowing that their children face much pressure, the mothers feel that standing in the gap for them through prayer is their highest calling.

GOSPEL TAPES TO SAUDI ARABIA.

Thirty-nine thousand Gospel tapes, prepared by *Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida*, were sent to troops in Saudi Arabia through the cooperative efforts of *Grace Presbyterian Church in Dover, Delaware*. One side of the tape carried a straight-forward presentation of the Gospel by Dr. James Kennedy. The other side carried messages of encouragement from people who had relatives or friends in the service there. 39,000 copies of the tape were then shipped to Grace church in Dover where members prepared the cases for overseas shipment to PCA Chaplain (Colonel) David Peterson for distribution. A representative from Coral Ridge made a special presentation to Pastor Johathan Seda and the Grace congregation on April 14.

AN ARTICLE in the March Bulletin Supplement referred to a recent study done by a special committee of the Presbyterian Church USA. It should be understood that this was NOT the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

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