# Stephanie's News

Always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is within you. 1 Peter 3:15

## Witnessing at Four New Age Fairs

Since my last letter, which was sent out in May, I have attended four New Age Fairs in order to witness to the lost. In August, my friends from Midwest Christian Outreach joined me in Chicago for the Body Mind Spirit Expo (BMS). While there we had numerous great conversations, especially with the local Christian Science Reading room folks. I met a woman named Hillary, who was very pleasant, but unfortunately deep into her Christian Science faith. We talked for about forty five minutes about the Trinity and the true Jesus Christ. Please pray that I see her again at the next Chicago expo and that we can continue our dialogue.

## My New Friend Kat

While at the BMS expo in Chicago I also got to know a woman named Kat who lives in Dayton and is a tarot card reader. I attended her talk on walk-ins, which is a New Age concept of a person whose original soul has departed his or her body and has been replaced with a new, generally more advanced, soul. Kat says she has no recollection of her early childhood, but that her mother has informed her she was the victim of her father's intense physical abuse. Kat believes the abuse caused her previous soul to give up on life and allowed for a new soul, her current soul, to take over. She believes this soul is more enlightened than the last one and is more in tune with its divine nature.

Kat grew up in a Catholic home, but considering how abusive her father was she now wants nothing to do with anything remotely associated with Christianity. I met with her again at the September running of the Gift of Light Expo in Columbus, OH. While there we agreed to get together outside of the expos to hang out and have fun. My relationship with her is going to be a long process of building up her trust.

We got together in October at the <u>Tranquility Salt</u> Cave in Columbus, OH and then had some barbecue for dinner. I wouldn't normally meet someone at a salt cave because I wouldn't want to give the indication that I approve of the New Age movement, but she really had her heart set on it and it didn't involve any heavy meditation so after much prayer I agreed to meet her at the cave. We had a very nice day, and the cave was pretty neat, but I didn't push the gospel message on this visit. Rather I spent the day trying to get to know her more and understand all the various reasons, including her father's abuse, for her departure from the Christian faith. Please pray that Kat's heart will be softened and that the Lord uses me to reach her for Christ. To learn more about Kat you can visit her website at https:// www.katscounsel.com.

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## **Mystics and Marvels Faire**

In September my good friend Don Vienot from Midwest Christian

Outreach (MCOI) joined me at the Mystics and Marvels Faire in Columbus,

OH. It was a very hokey event and not well done at all, but we did have two
very good conversations and that is all that matters. Our first conversation was
with a woman named Annette who is a tarot card reader and a former
Presbyterian. She has invested a great deal of time, money and energy in Tarot.

We spoke for perhaps 30-35 minutes and was able to give the gospel several
times. She is invested but agreed to allow Don to email her some of the
MCOI journal articles. Please pray for her!

At the same event we had the opportunity to talk with a custom Ouija Board maker (Drew Hahn). Drew was born into a Roman Catholic Family but met and married a Baptist girl and also was born again. He was active in his church, learning the faith, spending time reading commentaries and learning about cults. He was committed for over 20 years but his wife was unfaithful and his faith was shaken. As he began spending time on the Internet his pastor was increasingly unable to answer his questions and he turned to agnosticism. We were able to reiterate the gospel several times and address some of the questions. He also agreed to receive some information by email from Don. Please pray for Drew.





## **Body Mind Spirit Expo, Columbus**

My fourth New Age fair was the September running of the Body Mind Spirit Expo in Columbus, which is basically the same fair that occurred in Chicago, but with more Ohio based vendors. While there I had a 30 to 40 minute conversation with a gentleman named Mark from Share International. According to their website, Share International is a "worldwide network of individuals and groups whose purpose is to make known the fact that (Buddhist) Maitreya — the World Teacher for the coming age — and his group, the Masters of Wisdom, are now among us." Like many religious groups at these fairs they believe they are gaining divine knowledge and power from these spirit guides or "Masters of Wisdom". But as Christians we know that the Bible warns us that Satan masquerades as an angel of light (2 Corinthians II:14) and that we should always test the spirits to see if they say Jesus is Lord (I John 4: I-3). These "Masters of Wisdom" deny the Jesus of the Bible and tell their "students" that Jesus was just a man who became aware of his divine nature. Pray for Mark and everyone at these fairs that their eyes will be opened to the dangers posed by channeling spirit guides. Please read my friend Marcia Montenegro's testimony of her life in the occult, how the spirits turned on her and started abusing her, and how she escaped the occult through the power of Christ!

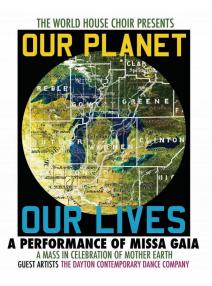
# **Earth Mass for Climate Change**

September was a super busy month! On the 19th I attended an "Earth Mass" at the Levitt Pavilion in downtown Dayton. It was a syncretized mass equating Jesus with Mother Earth (Gaia). The woman directing the music, Dr. Cathy Roma, grew up as a Quaker but converted to Catholicism. The one hundred person choir is called the World House Choir (https://worldhousechoir.org/) and is focused on "performing music that

motivates and inspires communities toward justice, diversity, and equality as we strive for peace and create our web of mutuality." The choir is based out of Yellow Springs, OH (30-40 minutes east of Dayton) so their focus on the liberal social justice narrative is not surprising. Yellow Springs is the Boulder of Dayton.

They performed Paul Winter's Missa Gaia, which integrates world music with songs from the wild to celebrate the whole earth as a sacred space, the Missa Gaia is performed annually on the first Sunday in October in the Cathedral of St John the Divine in New York. It was commissioned by the Dean of the Cathedral as a contemporary ecumenical Mass. <a href="http://www.paulwinter.com/projects/missa-gaia-earth-mass/">http://www.paulwinter.com/projects/missa-gaia-earth-mass/</a>

Missa Gaia is "a 40-minute contemporary work that is derived from a traditional religious form meant to move listeners to reflect on the interconnectedness and sanctity of all life on earth." The word "interconnectedness" suggests they are looking at the world through a pantheistic world view similar to that of Buddhism and Hinduism. Ecumenism creates more confusion and Pope Francis' push for everyone to "Come Home to the Catholic Church" really seems to perpetuate this idea. I'm not sure if an "Earth Mass" is exactly what the pope had in mind, but I can certainly see how many would think it's ok, based upon his belief in the Climate Change hoax.



That week marked the start of the UN's Climate Action Summit and this "Earth Mass" was a way for more progressively minded Catholics and other people of faith to stand in solidarity with the UN's globalist efforts. https://www.un.org/en/climatechange/

I had a brief conversation with a woman named Susan who grew up Methodist, but no longer practices any particular religion. She too is from Yellow Springs and works at the <u>Humanist Center</u> out there, which is an alternative medicine clinic. I hope I will be able to stay in touch with her. Please keep her in your prayers that God will soften her heart.

# **Christian Apologetics is Growing in Dayton**

With the leadership of our pastors, Peter and Jennifer, at Calvary South Dayton we have been able to establish an apologetics cohort at the church! It is so refreshing to have a pastor that not only understands the value of apologetics, but champions it within his church. It is a rare trait I have come to learn. I thank God everyday for Peter and Jennifer!

I have also established a new Facebook page called the <u>Greater Dayton Apologetics Alliance Group</u>, which allows for people all over the greater Dayton area to share what is going on at their churches in regards to apologetics and to share their research. Right now we have members from Calvary South Dayton, the <u>Christian Life Center</u>, and <u>Fairhaven Church</u>.

## **Climate Change and Globalism Talk**

On November 7th I will be speaking at the Greater Dayton Republican Women's Club about the occult origins of the climate change movement at the United Nations. This will be my first time talking at the club so I'm super excited! I hope to figure out a way to record it so I can send it to anyone interested in hearing the presentation. If I get this to work I will post it to my blog at rainbowapologetics.com . I have also been asked to give the presentation to the Darke County Republican Women's Club after the turn of the year so that too is exciting.

## Politics, Worldviews, and the Christian Life

This is a new section to my newsletter that will address my most recent blog posts and well as any current issues regarding politics, worldviews, and the Christian life that I think you should be aware of. I hope you take the time to read this section carefully, especially as the 2020 election season draws near.

## **My Blog Posts**

I have posted a couple new articles to my blog at <u>rainbowapologetics.com</u> so please check them out when you can. Below are links to the articles. If you would like these in paper format please send a request to my address at 923 Brittany Hills Dr. Dayton, OH 45459.

Is Trump a Xenophobe? An Informal Argument Against This Notion.

Beth Moore and the Southern Baptist Convention Refuse to Stop Adding to Scripture

## Trump's Accomplishments for Christianity

I also wanted to share with you a report put out by the Family Research Council on the Trump Administration's Accomplishments on Life, Family, and Religious Liberty. Trump has done more for Christians in America than any other President in my lifetime, maybe with the exception of Ronald Reagan. According to James Dobson of Focus on the Family, Trump accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior sometime close to the 2016 election. Whether this is true is debatable, but if it is true I think it's important to allow our President time to grow in his faith and become more Christ-like. He has a very long way to go based upon his language, but this report by the Family Research Council really gives credence to James Dobson's claims. It's a stunning report!

The Trump Administration's Accomplishments on Life, Family, and Religious Liberty.

#### The Democratic National Committee Denounces Christianity

Please read <u>this report</u> by my new friend Tom Gilson of *The Stream*! The Democratic National Committee has taken its stand, and it's against orthodox Christianity. It passed a resolution last Saturday calling for the Party to be more inclusive toward non-believers. On its own that's not remarkable. But the <u>document</u> also strongly denounces Christian belief and action.

#### The key paragraph:

Those most loudly claiming that morals, values, and patriotism must be defined by their particular religious views have used those religious views, with misplaced claims of "religious liberty," to justify public policy that has threatened the civil rights and liberties of many Americans, including but not limited to the LGBT community, women, and ethnic and religious/nonreligious minorities...

The party's hostility toward Christian beliefs and values was clear enough before. Putting it on paper this way, however, raises the message to another level.

## **Prayer Request**

After suffering with terrible neck pain for the past 17 years, and exhausting every conservative treatment available, I have decided to finally have surgery. On January 6, 2020 I will be having an anterior cervical decompression and fusion done of my C5 and C6 vertebrae. This is major surgery and will put me out of commission for a least a month. Praise the Lord, however, that I found a wonderful doctor! He is the chief of neurosurgery at the University of Cincinnati. Please pray for swift healing so that I can get back out and do the Lord's work!

# **Raising Support**

I would be extremely grateful if you would consider making my work part of your monthly tithe. Haven Ministries is a 501c3 organization so 100% of your donation will be tax deductible. I have been working as a Door Dash deliverer to help make ends meet and cover some of my ministry expenses. It's a nice set up since I can make my own schedule, but it does take a lot of time away from my ministry. If you would like to support me please follow this PayPal link to make a one time or monthly donation. Anything you can do will be greatly appreciated! Thanks!

## Thank You for Your Continued Prayers and Financial Support!



God Bless!

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