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your armed forces rushed up; by their utmost exertions, toiling day and night on the inundated lands at the risk of their own lives under the most unfavourable weather conditions, they saved victims and their cattle and helped in plugging the innumerable breaches in the dykes. All those who did their utmost to help us have earned our deep-felt gratitude because they have proved that human solidarity does not stop at frontiers. On behalf of the vic-

tims and all my compatriots I address myself to you and, in doing so, to the American people to express what can hardly be expressed in words: our heart-felt thanks for everything you did when the sea—our faithful friend and eternal enemy—held our country in its crushing grip.

I seize this opportunity to convey to you, Mr. President, my sincere wishes both for the prosperity of the Republic and for your personal well-being.

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8 ¶ Remarks at the Dedicatory Prayer Breakfast of the International Christian Leadership.

February 5, 1953

Mr. Chairman, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen:

This has been a wholly enjoyable occasion for me except for the one second when I opened the little blue slip and found that it said there would be an address by the President. I assure you, both for your sakes and for mine, there will not be.

There are a few thoughts, though, that crowd into my mind. With your permission I will attempt to utter them in a very informal and homely way.

First, there is a need we all have in these days and times for some help which comes from outside ourselves as we face the multitude of problems that are part of this confusing situation. I do not mean merely help for your leaders or the people in Congress, in the Cabinet and others in authority, because these problems are part of all of us. They face each one of us because we are a free country. Each of us realizes that he has responsibilities that are equal to his privileges and to his rights.

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It is not merely the events that led up to the Revolutionary War. All of the confused problems that we were then called upon to solve were as difficult as those we face now. Did you ever stop to think, for example, that the first year of that war was fought in order that we might establish our right to be free British citizens, not to be independent. From April 1775 until July 4, 1776, there was no struggle for independence. It was a struggle to make people understand that we were free British citizens. So you can understand the confusion of thought that was going on.

So when we came down to the Declaration of Independence, our forefathers had difficulty in meeting their problems which was probably as great for them as we feel our problems today. In the Declaration they acknowledged the need to respect public opinion. They said, "When in the course of human events"—and they went on to say a decent respect for mankind impelled them to declare the decisions which led to the separation. They realized that the good opinion of the whole world was necessary if this venture was to succeed. At least they felt that an understanding of this venture should be abroad in the world.

They went on to try to explain it. What did they say? The very basis of our government is: "We hold that all men are endowed by their Creator" with certain rights.

When we came to that turning point in history, when we intended to establish a government for free men and a Declaration and Constitution to make it last, in order to explain such a system we had to say: "We hold that all men are endowed by their Creator."

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As Benjamin Franklin said at one time during the course of the stormy consultation at the Constitutional Convention, because he sensed that the convention was on the point of breaking up: "Gentlemen, I suggest that we have a word of prayer." And strangely enough, after a bit of prayer the problems began to smooth out and the convention moved to the great triumph that we enjoy today—the writing of our Constitution.

Today I think that prayer is just simply a necessity, because by prayer I believe we mean an effort to get in touch with the Infinite. We know that even our prayers are imperfect. Even our supplications are imperfect. Of course they are. We are imperfect human beings. But if we can back off from those problems and make the effort, then there is something that ties us all together. We have begun in our grasp of that basis of understanding, which is that all free government is firmly founded in a deeply-felt religious faith.

As we sympathize with our great friends in Holland and Britain today in this distressing disaster that has overtaken them, it is good to know that the American soldiers, the American Navy, the American airmen, are sharing those disasters and are moving in as units and as individuals to help. I have had messages from both of those countries expressing their great thanks to America for the work they are doing. They, to my mind, are part of this understanding that a government such as ours hopes to produce people who are moved by sympathy, by all of those wonderful qualities that are implicit in a deeply-felt religious faith. They are living up to what we hope for our government, both as units and as individuals.

I think my little message this morning is merely this: I have the profound belief that if we remind ourselves once in a while of this simple basic truth that our forefathers in 1776 understood so well, we can hold up our heads and be certain that we in our

time are going to be able to preserve the essentials, to preserve as a free government and pass it on, in our turn, as sound, as strong, as good as ever. That, it seems to me, is the prayer that all of us have today.

It has been very wonderful to meet you. Until I started over I had the picture, which Frank Carlson gave me last summer, of a small Congressional group of Congressmen and Senators who met on a morning each week. I had an idea of coming over to see 20 or 25 or maybe 50 people. I had no idea that our host had such a party as this. I do hope I may speak for all of you in thanking him for such a breakfast, the like of which I have not had in 10 years. As long as you feed me grits and sausage, everything will be all right.

Thank you.

NOTE: The President spoke at the Mayflower Hotel in Washington. His opening words "Mr. Chairman" referred to U.S. Senator Frank Carlson of Kansas.

9 ¶ Message to the Boy Scouts of America on Their 43d Anniversary. February 7, 1953

[Released February 7, 1953. Dated February 4, 1953]

To the Boy Scouts of America:

It is with great personal pleasure that I extend to you my warmest congratulations on your Forty-third Anniversary and greet you on the occasion of Boy Scout Week 1953.

Your present crusade "Forward on Liberty's Team" is proving to be most effective. Americans everywhere must be proud to know that the Boy Scouts of America registered its three-millionth active member during the past year. I understand that the present membership has now reached a new high of 3,200,000 Scouts, Explorers, and leaders, and that since 1910 there have been 20,200,000 American boys and men enrolled.

This birthday message is addressed to every Scout and leader

DRAFT

Rev. from Texas

Rev Thomas Bagbee + wife

Davis/Martin
Jan. 23, 1990
Title: Prayer
Draft: One

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST
((Time)) Thursday, Feb. 1, 1990

VP present

Jim

Four houseguests

Thank you, Senator Grassley, Billy Graham ((others)).

((And we have several very special guests with us today who have traveled far to join us in a prayer for peace and understanding. They are: Major Pierre Buyoya, President of Burundi\\; President Marco Vincio Cerezo of Guatamala\\; President Ershad of Bangladesh\\; and President Daniel T. Arap Moi of Kenya.\\ Let us give all of these distinguished visitors a hearty welcome.\\))

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So we have here today, including myself, ⁵ six heads of state, twenty second heads of state, the representatives of 150 nations and many American citizens -- some ³⁸⁰⁰ four thousand people in all. And of course, we are all thankful for the inspiring speech just given by Secretary of State Baker.\\

((Jim, I'm pleased that you've mastered the nuances of foreign policy, and managed to avoid the mistake of a past American diplomat, who called on the countries of the Middle East to settle their differences "in an amicable Christian manner."))\\

Today, we join together -- Christian, Jew, Muslim, Hindu and Buddhist -- not to celebrate those doctrines that divide us, but the greater beliefs that unite us. We believe that we cannot

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govern alone. We believe that if we talk to God, God listens. And most of all, we believe that if our prayers are for peace, then peace will be the answer to our prayers. |||

((Of course, I understand that a few non-believers have graciously accepted the invitation to this meeting. So I hope you'll forgive me if I retell the old tale of the agnostic and the bishop who were sharing a drink one evening at a social occasion, when the agnostic's eyes fell on a beautiful globe of the world that portrayed, in rich colors and vivid realism, continents, rivers and oceans.

((("Say, this is just what I've been looking for," exclaimed the agnostic, "Who made it?"

((("Why, nobody made it," said the bishop with feigned innocence. "It just happened!"\\))

Well, something that didn't just happen was the movement back to religion. It was in the House and Senate during the darkest days of the Second World War that Members of Congress first turned to prayer. And when they did, they turned to the most steadfast ally of all. For almost half a century, men and women in the House and Senate -- members and staffers alike -- have regularly met to share a few quiet moments of prayer and Bible reading. Tonight, I am proud to tell you that there is yet another Bible study group in Washington, one that meets every week in the White House.\\)

((Of course, given the separation of church and state, I can't say that I am pleased to officially sanction this group.\\
But I can at least give them my blessing.))\\

Some say that this nation is more secular than religious. True, the skyline of this very city is dominated by the Greek temples of Washington's secular religion -- politics. But it is also a skyline punctuated by the sharp spires of many churches, the domes of synagogues and a few minarets. There is an irony here -- when people are free to believe as they choose, their hearts turn to God. So make no mistake about it. American is a free nation. **But America is also a religious nation.**

And America is a giving nation. Recently, a close friend sent to me a poem by ((source)), that goes:

"I sought my soul but
my soul I could not see
"I sought my God by my
God eluded me
"I sought my brother and
found all three."

Thousands of Americans are finding their soul, finding their God, by finding their brother.

Thousand points of light.

And more and more, the nations of the world are turning to God.

Look to Eastern Europe . . .

NSC

When I was a Congressman from Texas, there was a writer for The Dallas Morning News by the name of Paul Crume ((CROOM)).

Paul has since passed away, but that newspaper still reprints on its front page a column that he wrote for Christmas morning, 1967.

He wrote of angels, saying that if a man "has ever spent any period in loneliness, when the senses are forced in upon themselves, he has felt the wind from their beating wings and been overwhelmed with the sudden realization of the endless and gigantic dark that exists outside the little candle flame of human knowledge." Man prays, not in the sense that he asks something, but that he yields himself.

It was a beautiful column -- a prayer really -- and of it I have only one thought to add. In the day to day rush of events, we are tempted to ignore our better angels. But every now and then, for no apparent reason, *?*

induced of what is really important in life. Perhaps it's the brush of an angel's wing. Perhaps it's the passing presence of a lost loved one. Or perhaps it is the answer to our prayers that can only be called grace.

Pre-B Prayer	Armstrong/Sen.
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Open Prayer	Rep Skelton
Response	
Welcome	Grassley
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OT Rd	Debbie Turner
Spec. Intro.	Dr Billy Graham
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NT Rd	VP
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Prayer for Nat'l Leaders	Gen. Grant
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907 - 917	POTUS (10 minutes)
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Whatever it is, it is a reply.

4,000 people

150 nations

comments follow main address of Secretary Baker

Grassley

Billy Graham/George Beverly Shay/

Doug Coe -- Fellowship House, in Virginia - 522-0266.

Bangladesh -- President Alhaj Hussain Mohammed Ershad

2000 a/c

715 - 930

177 tables

Overflow 800

3500 - total

Events begin Wednesday

Closed press event
Choir on stage

12 Senators + 12 Congressmen
Dep. of Church + State
Hd Table 8:00 A

Pres Eisenhower 150 people

Brkfst 730, 735
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John Gibbons

AF Academy Choir

10 min before POTUS
3 min after seated

Last minutes


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To: Mr. Doug Wead
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Re: Heads of State, etc.
National Prayer Breakfast


Dt: January 16, 1990

Cys: Including cover sheet 

Attached is a copy of a briefing paper and the list of internationals. There are two lists.

We will be adding a few more in the next couple of days and it is probable that some of these names will be changed as well.

This should give you the general picture.



BRIEFING
THE NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST
FEBRUARY 1, 1990

The 1990 National Prayer Breakfast will be attended by representatives from over 140 nations. The honored guests are President and Mrs. Bush. Others that will be involved will be the Vice-President of the United States, leaders from all branches of government, the diplomatic corps and other national and international leaders.

Those responsible for this event are the members of the U.S. Senate and the House of Representatives involved in the weekly Leadership/Prayer Breakfast groups in the Congress.

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"In both the House and Senate groups some informal rules evolved. The members would meet in the spirit of peace and in the spirit of Christ..... All members would be welcome, regardless of their political or religious affiliation. Sincere seekers as well as the deeply devoted, all on a common journey to understand the place of faith in their lives and to discover how to love God and one's fellowman. ?

"They wouldn't publicize the meetings, nor would they use them for any kind of political gain. The meetings would be off-the-record. No one would repeat what was said. And, above all, the members could talk about any person problem on which they needed guidance, any sadness for which they needed prayers.

"... In 1953, President Eisenhower attended the first combined Prayer Breakfast. And presidents have been coming here for help ever since. >

"... I wish I could say more about it, but it's working precisely because it is private. In some of the most troubled parts of the world,, political figures who are old enemies are meeting with each other in a spirit of peace and brotherhood. And some who've been involved in such meetings are here today."

It is important to recognize that what has developed through the years is really a family of friends. This idea grows on a people-to-people basis through a common commitment to Christ and the things He taught -- building relationships with God, with families and with each other. Out of these friendships, a mutual concern and care for one another has developed despite in many cases, deep differences in thought and background. The spirit of these relationships has become a force for good involving people at all levels of our society through a diversity of activities and groupings which is remarkable.

A brief sketch of some of these include:

The United States

Small discussion and prayer groups are meeting throughout every state in the nation, in business, industry, government offices, prisons, universities, high schools -- at all levels of society. This desire to meet with others for fellowship and prayer seems to be most needed for those who are in positions of leadership. The acceptance and support individuals receive in these groups is a healing force in their lives. This in turn becomes a springboard for action which addresses many needs in the communities of our nation.

In 1959, the first Governor's Prayer Breakfast was held. This year, similar prayer breakfasts, patterned after the National Prayer Breakfast, will be held in most, if not all, of the states and in both large and small

Acceptances by heads of state to the National Prayer Breakfast:

BANGLADESH

His Excellency
Alhaj Hussain Mohammed ERSHAD
The President of Bangladesh
President's Secretariat
Dhaka, Bangladesh

342-8372
MUSLIM

BURUNDI

Major Pierre BUYOYA
The President of Burundi and Mrs. Buyoya
Presidential Residence
Bujumbura
Burundi
Africa

* EL SALVADOR (not confirmed)

The Honorable Alfredo Cristiani
President of El Salvador and Mrs. Cristiani
San Salvador, El Salvador **

* GUATEMALA (not confirmed -- will know in four days)

Marco Vinicio A. Cerezo
The President of Guatemala
Palacio Nacional
Guatemala City, Guatemala**

KENYA

The Honorable Daniel T. Arap Moi
The President of Kenya and Mrs. Moi
Nairobi, Kenya
Africa

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cities across the nation. The annual events are a demonstration that leaders in society recognize personally the need for God's help in fulfilling their responsibilities.

The Other Nations

In over one hundred countries men and women are meeting in small gatherings to encourage one another in their personal faith. People throughout the world are, through the power of Jesus Christ, becoming a fellowship that is helping to build true community in the family of nations.

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STORY 3

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NEWSPAPER The Dallas Morning News
EDITION HOME FINAL
SECTION NEWS
PAGE 1a
STORY SIZE 10 INCHES
HEADLINE REJOICE -- AND KNOW THAT ANGELS ARE NIGH
KEYWORD-HIT

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Angels live daily at our very elbows, and so do demons, and most men at one time or another in their lives have yielded themselves to both and have lived to rejoice and rue their impulses.

But the man who has once felt the beat of an angel's wings finds it easy to rejoice at the universe and at his fellow man.

It does not happen to any man often, and too many of us dismiss it when it happens. I remember a time in my final days in college when the chinaberry trees were abloom and the air was sweet with spring blossoms and I stood still on the street, suddenly struck with the feeling of something that was an enormous promise and yet was no tangible promise at all.

And there was another night in a small boat when the moon was full and the distant headlands were dark but beautiful and we were lonely. The pull of a nameless emotion was so strong that it filled the atmosphere. The small boy within me cried. Psychiatrists will say that the angel in all this was really within me, not outside, but it makes no difference.

There are angels inside us and angels outside, and the one inside is usually the quickest choked.

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"The angels keep their ancient places," wrote Francis Thompson in protest. "Turn but a stone, and start a wing."

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There is an angel close to you this day. Merry Christmas, and I wish you well.

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STORY 7

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SECTION NEWS
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STORY 1

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SECTION NEWS
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STORY SIZE 6 INCHES
HEADLINE Merry Christmas -- and know that angels are nigh
CHARTS,GRAPHS,PHOTOS PHOTO(S): Paul Crume; PHOTO LOCATION: Crume, Paul.
BYLINE Paul Crume

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They are: Major Pierre Buyoya, President of Burundi\\; President Marco Vincio Cerezo of Guatamala\\; President Ershad of Bangladesh\\; and President Daniel T. Arap Moi of Kenya.\\ Let us give these distinguished visitors our heartiest welcome.\\))

((I also understand that a few non-believers have graciously accepted the invitation to this meeting. So I hope you'll forgive me if I retell the old tale of the agnostic and the bishop who were sharing a drink one evening at a social occasion, when the agnostic's eyes fell on a beautiful globe of the world that portrayed, in rich colors and vivid realism, continents, rivers and oceans.

((The agnostic said: "This globe is just what I need for my office. Who made it?"

(("Why, nobody made this globe," said the bishop with feigned innocence. "It just happened!"\\))

Well, one thing that didn't just happen is the National Prayer Breakfast. It is the result of years of quiet diplomacy from ambassadors of faith like Doug Coe.\\ We have here today,

including myself, not only five heads of state, but twenty\\
second heads of state, the representatives of 150 nations and
many American citizens -- some four thousand people in all. And
of course, we are all thankful for the inspiring remarks of
Secretary of State Baker.\\

((And Jim, I must say I'm pleased that you've mastered the
nuances of foreign policy, and showed greater knowledge than a
past American diplomat, who called on the countries of the Middle
East to settle their differences "in an amicable Christian
manner."))\\

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those of the Jewish, Muslim, Hindu and Buddhist faiths. So let
us put aside doctrine in favor of the greater spirit of belief
that unites us.\\ We are united, because we believe that we
cannot govern alone.\\ We are united, because we believe that if
we talk to God, God listens.\\ And most of all, we are united
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there is yet another Bible study group in Washington, one that
meets every week in the White House.\\

((Of course, given the separation of church and state, I can't say that I officially sanction this group.\\ But at least I can give them my blessing.))\\\

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I believe that this democracy of ours proves an ironic fact about human nature -- when people are free to believe as they choose, they seek a higher truth. And with the spread of democracy around the world, I believe that **the 1990s will be the decade that the world turns back to God.**\\

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But nowhere is the return to religion more dramatic or more profound than in Eastern Europe, where a long night of persecution has at long last come to an end.

In Czechoslovakia, Father Vaclav Maly ((XXXX)) lost his license to preach because he signed a petition for human rights. Stripped of his vestments, he was forced to clean toilets in the

Prague subway, and to stoke a blazing furnace in a hotel. Now Father Maly ((XXXX)) is back in his vestment, back in his church, and once again offers the Mass.

In that same city, the police for many years had chased down young people whose only crime was to dare to sing Christmas carols on the Charles River Bridge. This Christmas, a joyous choir filled the Charles River Bridge with song.

Even in troubled Romania, as the report of gunfire from a dying regime still echoed in the streets of Bucharest, the state radio stations broadcast carols banned since 1947. Amid so much violence, a rebirth of hope.

Years ago, a young Polish man described such a rebirth at a time when it must have seemed impossible. He wrote of "a ray of light" that "shines through the darkness of generations." That young man is now Pope John Paul II. And in his native land of Poland, his many peaceful divisions are triumphant.\\

In this country, where we are not challenged by religious persecution, we draw our inspiration from more subtle revelations. When I was a Congressman from Texas, there was a writer for The Dallas Morning News by the name of Paul Crume ((CROOM)). He has long since passed away, but every year that newspaper still reprints on its front page a column that he wrote for Christmas morning, 1967.

Crume wrote of angels, saying that if a man "has ever spent any period in loneliness, when the senses are forced in upon themselves, he has felt the wind from their beating wings and

been overwhelmed . . . (by) the endless and gigantic dark that exists outside the little candle flame of human knowledge." So Man prays, not in the sense that he asks something, but that he yields himself.

It was a beautiful column -- a prayer really -- and of it, I have only one thought to add. In the day to day rush of events, in the heat of the moment, we are tempted to ignore our better angels. But every now and then, for no apparent reason, we are led to the right path by the touch of an inexplicable serenity.

Perhaps, as Paul Crume wrote, it's the brush of an angel's wing. Perhaps it's the passing presence of a loved one lost. Or perhaps it is simply that answer to our prayers that can only be called grace.

Whatever it is, it is a **reply**.

Thank you, God bless you, and may God bless every nation represented here today.

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To: Mark Davis, White House
FAX 456-6218

Fm: Doug Coe
FAX 247-3847

Dt: Jan. 22, 1990

Re: Heads of State and Dignitaries
National Prayer Breakfast

Per our telephone conversation, here are

1. Program as sent to the press
2. Copy of Senator Grassley's letterhead with names of committee members for the NPB.
3. A briefing paper
4. List of Heads of State who are coming
5. List of other dignitaries (to be updated as the situation changes) to be presented to the President and Mrs. Bush.

6. *Inside + outside invitation*

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NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

February 1st, 1990, 8:00 a.m.

PRE-BREAKFAST

PRAYER.....THE HONORABLE BILL ARMSTRONG
U.S. Senator, Colorado

OPENING SONG.....U.S. AIRFORCE ACADEMY CHOIR
Dr. Joseph Galema, Director

8:04 PRESIDING.....The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
U.S. Senator, Iowa

8:07 CALL TO PRAYER.....MRS. ARDYTH SHAPIRO
Cantor
BURNETT THOMPSON III
Accompanist

8:15 OPENING PRAYER.....The Honorable Ike Skelton
U.S. Representative, Missouri

BREAKFAST

8:25 WELCOME.....The Honorable Charles E. Grassley

8:28 MESSAGE FROM THE
U.S. HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES.....The Honorable Liz Patterson
U.S. Representative, South Carolina

8:31 OLD TESTAMENT READING.....GENERAL ALFRED M. GRAY
Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps

8:34 SPECIAL INTRODUCTION.....DR. BILLY GRAHAM

8:37 SOLO.....MR. GEORGE BEVERLY SHEA

8:41 NEW TESTAMENT READING.....VICE-PRESIDENT DAN QUAYLE

8:45 MESSAGE FROM THE
UNITED STATES SENATE.....THE HONORABLE SAM NUNN
U.S. Senator, Georgia

8:48 PRAYER FOR NATIONAL LEADERS.....DEBBYE TURNER
Miss America

8:51 MESSAGE.....THE HONORABLE JAMES BAKER
Secretary of State

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THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

9:12 GROUP SONG.....THE HONORABLE JOHN ASHCROFT
Governor of Missouri

9:18 CLOSING PRAYER.....Mr. Richard Capen
Editor, The Miami Herald

9:21 HALLELUVIAH CHORUS
"THE MESSIAH".....U.S. AIRFORCE ACADEMY CHOIR

Audience, please remain in place until
The President and Mrs. Bush have departed

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BRIEFING
THE NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST
FEBRUARY 1, 1990

The 1990 National Prayer Breakfast will be attended by representatives from over 140 nations. The honored guests are President and Mrs. Bush. Others that will be involved will be the Vice-President of the United States, leaders from all branches of government, the diplomatic corps and other national and international leaders.

Those responsible for this event are the members of the U.S. Senate and the House of Representatives involved in the weekly Leadership/Prayer Breakfast groups in the Congress.

This event had its roots in the war years of 1942 when some of the leaders of the Senate began to meet informally to talk and pray together. At the National Prayer Breakfast in 1986, the President spoke about these events and the relationships which have developed from them. Part of his remarks were as follows:

"In both the House and Senate groups some informal rules evolved. The members would meet in the spirit of peace and in the spirit of Christ..... All members would be welcome, regardless of their political or religious affiliation. Sincere seekers as well as the deeply devoted, all on a common journey to understand the place of faith in their lives and to discover how to love God and one's fellowman.

"They wouldn't publicize the meetings, nor would they use them for any kind of political gain. The meetings would be off-the-record. No one would repeat what was said. And, above all, the members could talk about any person problem on which they needed guidance, any sadness for which they needed prayers.

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cities across the nation. The annual events are a demonstration that leaders in society recognize personally the need for God's help in fulfilling their responsibilities.

The Other Nations

In over one hundred countries responsible men and women are meeting in small leadership groups -- similar to those in the Congress of the United States.

These groups are private, off-the-record and meet for mutual encouragement in their private and public capacities. One of the most interesting developments has been, that as these leaders from all aspects of society travel from country to country, they have become closer and closer friends and this has fostered a greater degree of trust and understanding which is very heartening.

HEADS OF STATE - Acceptances for the
National Prayer Breakfast 1990
(as of 1/23/90)

BANGLADESH

His Exc. Alhaj Hussain Mohammed Ershad
President of Bangladesh
President's Secretariat
Dhaka, Bangladesh

BURUNDI

Major Pierre Buyoyo
President of Burundi
Presidential Residence
Bujumbura, Burundi

EL SALVADOR

The Hon. Alfredo Cristiani
President of El Salvador
San Salvador, El Salvador

KENYA

The Hon. Daniel arap Moi
President of Kenya
Nairobi, Kenya

FOREIGN DIGNITARIES ATTENDING
THE NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

ANTIGUA

The Hon. Llewellyn E.F. Smith
P.O. Box 126
St. Johns
Antigua, The Caribbean

CHAD

The Hon. Dr. Facho Balam
Dep. Minister for Planning & Cooperation
B.P. Box 845
N'Djamina, Chad

CHILE

The Hon. Sergio Rapu
Governor of Easter Island
Correo Isla de Pascua
Easter Island, Chile

DENMARK, THE FAROE ISLANDS

His Exc. Jogvan Sundstein
Premier of the Faroe Islands
Torshavn, Faroe Islands, Denmark

DJIBOUTI

The Hon. Ismael Guedi
Cabinet Director
Republic of Djibouti
Presidential Palace
Djibouti, Djibouti

ENGLAND

Mr. Michael Grade
CEO, Channel 4 Television
69 Charlotte Street
London S1P 2AX England

FRANCE

The Hon. Michel Gillibert
Secretary of State for the Disabled & Handicapped
Paris, France
(Is in a wheelchair)

Professor Paul DeDecker
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33076 Bordeaux, Cedex, France

GERMANY, DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

Dr. Gregor Gysi
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DDR-1080 Berlin
German Democratic Republic

GERMANY, FEDERAL REPUBLIC

The Hon. Dr. Horst Waffenschmidt
Secretary of State
Weidenfeld 2
5200 Waldbrol
Federal Republic of Germany

GREECE

The Hon. Andreas Zaimis
Member of Parliament
(Former Foreign Minister)

GUATEMALA

Senor Locendiado Marco Antonio Villamar Contreras
Secretario General
2 do Nivel, Sala 12
Palacio Nacional
Guatemala City, Guatemala
(Sec. Gen. of SIECA, on of the most important men
in Central America)

HUNGARY

Dr. Josef Antall
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Hungary

KOREA

The Hon. Jong-Chen Lee
Secretary General, DJP
6-22 Shin Kyo-Dong
Chong Ro-Ku
Seoul, Korea

MICRONESIA, FEDERAL STATES

The Hon. Hiroshi H. Ismael
Vice Pres. of the Federal States of Micronesia
Office of the Vice President
Kolonia, Pohnpei
Federal States of Micronesia

PAKISTAN

The Hon. Wasim Sajjad
Chairman of the Senate
Islamabad, Pakistan

RUSSIA

Metropolitan Pitirim Konstantin Nechaeff
of Volokolansk and Furievsk
and interpreter
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Damascus, Syria

UGANDA

His Exc. Sampson Kisseka
Prime Minister
Government of Uganda
Kampala, Uganda

WALLIS AND FUTUNA

The Hon. Soane Uhila
Secrtaire Generale
B.P. 31, Mata Uta
Wallis & Futuna, S. Pacific Islands

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and the House of Representatives
request the pleasure of your company at the

38th Annual National Prayer Breakfast
with

The President of the United States
and Mrs. Bush

and other national leaders in the Executive, Judicial
and Legislative Branches
of our government

Thursday, January 7, 1990
at eight o'clock

Guests to be seated by 7:45 a.m.

Salmon Hall, Washington Hilton Hotel
Washington, D.C.

9:41 AM
within ten days

Adjournment
by 8:30 a.m.

Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

The ungodly are not so: but are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

Therefore the ungodly shall not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish."

Psaltn I

With malice toward none; with charity for all; with firmness in the right, as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in, to bind up the nation's wounds; to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow and his orphan—to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves, and with all nations."

Abraham Lincoln—Second Inaugural

God's plan is this: to make known his secret to his people, this rich and glorious secret which he has for all peoples. And the secret is this: Christ is in you, which means that you will share the glory of God."

Colossians 1:27

Historically the leadership of our Nation has turned to Almighty God for strength and guidance.

In this spirit, the United States Senate and the House of Representatives Breakfast Groups, which meet to deepen friendships, to pray and counsel together, inaugurated the National Prayer Breakfast to specifically seek the Lord's guidance and strength as well as to reaffirm our faith and to renew the dedication of our Nation and ourselves to God and His purposes.

This event in the Nation's Capital seeks to encourage men and women throughout the United States and the world to recognize their privileges and responsibilities before God.

With the desire to deepen the spiritual life and moral fiber of the people through a leadership led by God, there have been, in all fifty states, similar breakfasts inaugurated by governors, mayors and other responsible persons.

As a natural outgrowth of such gatherings, many people throughout the world are finding through the Spirit of Jesus Christ a fellowship that is helping to build true community in the family of nations.

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

February 2, 1989

REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO THE NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

The Washington Hilton
Washington, DC

9:18 A.M. EST

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you very much. My special thanks to Bob Stump and Doug Coe, to our honored guests throughout this country and from our foreign lands, and it is a pleasure for Barbara and me to be here once again.

There is no greater peace than that which comes from prayer and no greater fellowship than to join in prayer with others. And coming to the prayer breakfast is, for us at least, like coming home. The Lord works in mysterious ways. There is nothing mysterious, however, about His priorities. I'm the one with the laryngitis, and Sandy Patti is the one that lifted our spirits with that magnificent voice -- clear as the finest crystal. We're grateful to her. (Applause.) And the Lord works in very mysterious ways, but I wonder why it is that under the protocol sense of things I always have to follow my friend, Al Simpson. (Laughter.)

Let us all thank the Lord for having granted us this day, making it possible for us to spend this time together. Billy Graham, my dear friend, tells me that when he was a boy living on a farm in North Carolina, one of his jobs was milking cows, and one day he was sent out to milk one of their cows named Brindle -- a cow he'd never milked before -- and he was told that it was a gentle cow, that it would be very cooperative. When he sat down on the stool to milk the cow, she switched her tail, slapped him in the face, nearly put his eye out -- a few minutes later kicked the bucket all the way across the barn and then tried to kick him. And at that point he began to wonder if the person who described this kind and gentle cow had ever sat down next to her in the barn. (Laughter.) And I've thought of that story in the light of my request for America to become a kinder and gentler nation. It's one thing to request it and it's another thing to see it actually happen. And maybe a lot of folks out there, cynics, are thinking, well, if you people in Washington will stop trying to milk us, we'll stop kicking. (Laughter and applause.)

But we're facing some serious opportunities and some great opportunities in our country -- tough problems and great opportunities -- and I believe that a wonderful resource in dealing with them is prayer -- not just prayer for what we want, but prayer for what is in the heart of God for us individually and as a nation. And shouldn't we also remember, with all that we have to be grateful for, to pause each day to offer a prayer of thanksgiving. All of us should not attempt to fulfill the responsibilities we now have without prayer and a strong faith in God.

Abraham Lincoln said, and I quote, "I've been driven many times to my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I have nowhere else to go." Surely he was not the first president, certainly not the last to realize that.

It's not just presidents. I heard about a little boy whose elderly grandmother came to live with them for the winter, and the first day the little boy played hard inside the house and he wanted to turn the heat down, but Grandmother insisted on keeping it

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 31, 1990

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Through: CHRISS WINSTON *cw*
From: MARK W. DAVIS *MD*
Subject: Prayer Breakfast

I. Summary:

You will address four thousand people at the National Prayer Breakfast at the Washington Hilton at 8 a.m., February 1. Your remarks are about seven minutes long, and are on cards.

II. Discussion:

Your brief remarks will follow a speech -- on religious faith -- by Secretary Baker. This event is a little unusual in that it is an event held in the "spirit of Christ," but many of the attendees are of other faiths. The audience is about as diverse as they can be -- from students, to Members of Congress, to the heads of state of Bangladesh (Alhaj Hussain Mohammed Ershad), Burundi (Major Pierre Buyoyo), El Salvador (President Alfredo Cristiani) and Kenya (President Daniel arap Moi).

Davis/Martin
Jan. 23, 1990
Title: Prayer
Draft: Four

**PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS: NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST
8 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 1, 1990**

Thank you . . . Vice President and Mrs. Quayle, Senator Grassley, Dr. and Mrs. Graham. Secretary Baker, that was an inspiring testament of faith.

((And we have several very special guests who have traveled far to join us today in a prayer for peace and understanding. President [Daniel T.] Arap Moi [Moy] \\\; President Ershad [Air-SHAHD] \\\; Major [Pierre] Buyoyo [Boo-YOYA] \\\; President [Alfredo] Cristiani\\\; Prime Minister Kisekka [Kih-SEH-kah]. I offer each of you a hearty welcome.\\\))

((You know, as a grandfather, I can't help but relate to you the tale of the little boy who told his granddaddy: "I guess I'll go outside and play baseball with God."

("How do you play baseball with God?" the grandfather asked.

("Oh, it's not hard at all," the boy explained. "I just throw the ball up and God throws it back down to me."))\\\

((It's often said in my business that a candidate or a proposal hasn't got a prayer.\\ Well, I'm pleased to be with an audience about whom that will never be said.))\\\

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*Sen. Grassley
Cong. Tony Hall*

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Today, we join together, through prayer in asking the Almighty to guide us in His hands. We have with us today not just Christians, but those of the Jewish, Muslim, Hindu and Buddhist faiths. All of us join together in putting aside doctrine in favor of the greater spirit of belief that unites us.\\ We are united, because we believe that we cannot govern alone.\\ We are united, because we believe that if we talk to God, God listens.\\ And most of all, we are united because we believe in the power of prayer -- And that if our prayers are for peace, and we devote our hearts to that goal, **then peace will be the answer to our prayers.\\ \\ **

The values that spring from our faith certainly tell us a lot about this country. Consider that for more than two centuries Americans have endorsed -- properly so -- the separation of church and state. But we have also shown how both religion and government can strengthen a society. After all, our founding document begins with these words: All men "are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights."

Some say that Washington is the center of a secular religion called politics. And it is true that the first thing you notice about the skyline of this city is not another cathedral of St.

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So I believe that this democracy of ours is once again proving, as it has throughout our history, that when people are free they use that freedom to serve the greater good and a higher truth. As freedom blossoms in Eastern Europe and around the world, I am convinced that the 1990s will be the decade of rebirth -- a rebirth of faith and of hope.\\

That is my speech. And that is my prayer. Thank you, God bless you and may God bless every nation represented here today.

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8 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 1, 1990**

Thank you, Senator Grassley, Dr. and Mrs. Graham, Reverend and Mrs. Bagby. Secretary Baker, that was an inspiring testament of faith.

((And we have several very special guests who have traveled far to join us today in a prayer for peace and understanding. Major [Pierre] Buyoyo \\\; President [Alfredo] Christiani \\\; President Ershad \\\; and President [Daniel T.] Arap Moi \\\). I offer each of you a hearty welcome.\\))

((I also understand that a few non-believers have graciously accepted the invitation to this meeting. So I hope you'll forgive me if I retell the old tale of the agnostic and the bishop who were deep in conversation one evening at a social occasion, when the agnostic's eyes fell on a beautiful globe of the world that portrayed, in rich colors and vivid realism, continents, rivers and oceans.

((The agnostic said: "This globe is just what I need for my office. Who made it?"

((("Why, nobody made this globe," said the bishop with feigned innocence. "It just happened!"\\))

Well, one thing that didn't just happen is the National Prayer Breakfast. It is the result of years of quiet diplomacy

from ambassadors of faith like Doug Coe and Bob Stump. It was during the darkest days of World War Two that Members of Congress first organized a prayer group. And for almost a half a century, men and women in the House and Senate -- Members and staffers alike -- have regularly met to share a few quiet moments of prayer and Bible reading. And I am proud to tell you that there is yet another Bible study group in Washington, one that meets every week in the White House.

Today, we join together, as the program says, "in the Spirit of Christ." But we have with us today not just Christians, but those of the Jewish, Muslim, Hindu and Buddhist faiths. So let us put aside doctrine in favor of the greater spirit of belief that unites us. We are united, because we believe that we cannot govern alone. We are united, because we believe that if we talk to God, God listens. And most of all, we are united because we believe that if our prayers are for peace, then peace will be the answers to our prayers.

There is a misconception that the separation of church and state in America means that the values that animate our politics must be as secular as our institutions.

Still, others say that Washington is the center of a secular religion called politics. And it is true that the skyline of this city is dominated not by another cathedral of St. Peters, or a Notre Dame or a Westminster, but by the temples of government. But look again. Survey the city from the top of the Washington monument, and you will see in every neighborhood, on virtually

every street, the sharp spire of a church, or the dome of a synagogue, or the minaret of a mosque -- all reaching upward, for the same one God.

Americans are a religious people. But a truly religious nation is tolerant. We cherish dissent. We cherish our many faiths. We even cherish the right to disbelief. So surely, there is enough room in the American heart to cherish one more right -- to allow children, who want to, **to pray in school.**\\\

A truly religious nation is also a giving nation. And a close friend of mine sent me a poem that eloquently embodies this spirit of giving. It goes:

"I sought my soul but
 my soul I could not see
 "I sought my God, but my
 God eluded me
 "I sought my brother and
 found all three."

*Mike Berry Bush
 Note to VP Bush
 on Camp David
 stationary*

Thousands of Americans are finding their soul, finding their God, by reaching out to their brothers and sisters in need. You've heard me speak of the Thousand Points of Light. Across America volunteers are working through their church, through programs like ACTION and VISTA, or on their own, to help the hungry, the homeless, to teach the unskilled, and to bring the Word to those who cannot read it.

So I believe that this democracy of ours proves an ironic fact about human nature -- when people are free to believe as they choose, they serve a higher truth. And with the spread of democracy around the world, I believe that **the 1990s will be the decade that the world turns back to God.**\

That is my speech. And that is my prayer. Thank you, God bless you and may God every nation represented here today.

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To: Mr. Mark Davis
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Dt: January 29, 1990

Re: Changes in the National Prayer Breakfast
Dignitaries in Cabinet Room

Here is the latest update on the persons who will
be in the Cabinet Room:

1. You will note that we have an additional person from Fiji, The Hon. Inoke Kubuabola.
2. A cancellation for E. Germany - Mr. Gregor Gysi and interpreter are not coming.
3. A return of the Hon. Andreas Zaimis to Greece. He has changed his mind and is now coming and he is the highest ranking person from Greece.
4. A change in Korea. Mr. Cha Ho Kim is the highest ranking person from his country.
5. The addition of the Hon. Khatchik Babaikian who is in the Parliament from Lebanon.
6. Cancellation of the Pakistan representative, The Hon. Wasim Sajjad. His brother died in London just as Mr. Sajjad was in preparation for his departure here to the States.

These are all the changes as of 12:00 noon today!

HEADS OF STATE - Acceptances for the

National Prayer Breakfast 1990
(as of 1/29/90)

BANGLADESH

Air - SHAHID

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His Exc. Alhaj Hussain Mohammed Ershad
President of Bangladesh
President's Secretariat
Dhaka, Bangladesh

BURUNDI

600-YOYA

3

Major Pierre Buyoyo
President of Burundi
Presidential Residence
Bujumbura, Burundi

Inaug. Date
Amb. Reed 2299
647-1676
Agnes Mootofield

EL SALVADOR

4

The Hon. Alfredo Cristiani
President of El Salvador
San Salvador, El Salvador

KENYA

Moy

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The Hon. Daniel arap Moi
President of Kenya
Nairobi, Kenya

Kay Bice
647-2299

Prime Minister Kisekka
Kih-SEM-Kah
Uganda

FOREIGN DIGNITARIES ATTENDING
THE NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

ANTIGUA

The Hon. Llewellyn E.F. Smith
P.O. Box 126
St. Johns
Antigua, The Caribbean

CHAD

The Hon. Dr. Facho Balam
Dep. Minister for Planning & Cooperation
B.P. Box 845
N'Djamina, Chad

CHILE

The Hon. Sergio Rapu
Governor of Easter Island
Correo Isla de Pascua
Easter Island, Chile

DENMARK, THE FAROE ISLANDS

His Exc. Jogvan Sundstein
Premier of the Faroe Islands
Torshavn, Faroe Islands, Denmark

DJIBOUTI

The Hon. Ismael Guedi
Cabinet Director
Republic of Djibouti
Presidential Palace
Djibouti, Djibouti

ENGLAND

Mr. Michael Grade
CEO, Channel 4 Television
69 Charlotte Street
London S1P 2AX England

FIJI

The Hon. Inoke Kubuabola
Minister of Information
Suva, Fiji

FRANCE

The Hon. Michel Gillibert
Secretary of State for the Disabled & Handicapped
Paris, France
(Is in a wheelchair)

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GREECE

The Hon. Andreas Zaimis
Member of Parliament
Athens, Greece

GUATEMALA

Senor Locendiado Marco Antonio Villamar Contreras
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Palacio Nacional
Guatemala City, Guatemala

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1035 Budapest
Hungary
Interpreter: Geza Jeczerzinsky

KOREA

The Hon. Cha Ho Kim
Former member of Parliament
17-302 Hyundai Mansion
Seoul, Korea

LEBANON

The Hon. Mr. Khatchik Babaikian
Member of Parliament
Beirut, Lebanon

MICRONESIA, FEDERAL STATES

The Hon. Hirosi H. Ismael
Vice Pres. of the Federal States of Micronesia
Office of the Vice President
Kolonias, Pohnpei
Federal States of Micronesia

SWEDEN

The Hon. Riksdagsman Lars Ernestam
Sveriges Riksdag
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SYRIA

Mr. Osmane Aidi
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Damascus, Syria

UGANDA

His Exc. Sampson Kisseka
Prime Minister
Government of Uganda
Kampala, Uganda

WALLIS AND FUTUNA

The Hon. Soane Uhila
Secrtaire Generale
B.P. 31, Mata Uta
Wallis & Futuna, S. Pacific Islands

1.29.90

Security Clearances

Mr. Douglas E. Coe, with the Presidents
SSN: 541-24-2486
dob: 10/20/28, Oregon

The Hon. Douglas Holladay, Cabinet Room
SSN: 213-46-1545
dob: 1/31/47, Washington, D.C.

Marjorie Roberts, Cabinet Room
SSN - 032-01-0127
dob: 2/25/18; Woodland, Maine

Jerry Franz, Cabinet Room
SSN - 470-30-8991
dob: 11/3/32, Minneapolis, MN

Mr. Richard Malouf, Cabinet Room
SSN: 526-76-0151
dob: 1/5/48, Los Angeles, CA

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

12/7/89

Dave,

The President asked that I share the attached with you -- for the "Prayer Breakfast next year".

Patty Presock

CAMP DAVID

Dear Vice President Bush,

You were asking about the Chaplain's quote at the end of the sermon. It was:

"I sought my soul but
my soul I could not see,
I sought my God but my
God eluded me,
I sought my brother and
found all three."

Anonymous

Very respectfully,

Mike Berry
Mike Berry

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save for
Prayer
Bfst
CB*

Jim --

fyi -- and please pass to

David Demarest.

thanks,

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Date: 12/7/89

TO: DAVE DEMAREST

FROM: **JAMES W. CICCONI**
Assistant to the President and
Deputy to the Chief of Staff

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Let's Discuss

DOUG GAMBLE

Jan. 30/90

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TO: KRISTEN GEAR

SAN FRANCISCO (Mark Davis)

IT'S GOOD TO BE BACK IN SAN FRANCISCO UNDER MORE PLEASANT CIRCUMSTANCES.

I HOPE THE ONLY EARTHSHAKING EVENT TODAY WILL BE MY SPEECH.

(No problem with a line like this. The Governor has been doing jokes about the earthquake, mild ones, since last November.)

I CALLED UP GOVERNOR DEUKMEJIAN AND SAID "HOW ABOUT IF I STOP BY SACRAMENTO AND SPEND SOME TIME WITH CALIFORNIA'S MOST POWERFUL POLITICIAN?" AND THE GOVERNOR SAID "I'M NOT SURE WILLIE BROWN WILL HAVE TIME TO SEE YOU."

(Assembly Speaker Brown is from San Francisco. The Governor often jokes about how much influence he has.)

I KNOW IT'S SAN FRANCISCO THAT'S CONSIDERED EARTHQUAKE TERRITORY, BUT YOU SHOOK UP DENVER PRETTY GOOD.

IT'S NOT OFTEN THAT ONE STATE MAKES A REQUEST INVOLVING ANOTHER, BUT SOME DENVER BRONCO FANS ASKED ME TO DECLARE THE NEW ORLEANS SUPERDOME A DISASTER AREA.

SOMEONE ASKED A 49 FAN WHAT HE THOUGHT THE TURNING POINT IN THE SUPER BOWL GAME WAS. HE SAID "THE NATIONAL ANTHEM."