

A global ambition

The bible foretells the arising of a global religion – but it will not be of God. Today we seem increasingly to see the outworking of this prophetic truth in the ambitions of many politicians. Our report begins with the United Nations:

“We have brought the world together as far as we can politically. To bring about a true world government, the world must be brought together spiritually. What we need is a United Nations of Religions.”

Robert Muller – Former Assistant Secretary General at the UN

Robert Muller understood that the ultimate goal of ‘internationalists’ around the globe is a total world governing system—an organization designed to supersede any national government and demand that all nations surrender their sovereignty and submit to international laws and regulations. Mr. Muller also knew that for this dream to become a reality, religions must somehow ignore their differences, unify and pledge allegiance to the establishment of the *global community*. When this happens—and according to Bible prophecy it will in the very near future—those who choose not to conform will be considered heretics and possibly even pay with their lives.

Revelation 13 prophesies that just this kind of a world governing system will be established and ruled by the Antichrist. The same chapter foretells of the world religion and global economic system that will be used to enforce the edicts of the Antichrist and cause the entire world to pledge allegiance to his global authoritarian system.

We are, in many ways, already functioning under the tentacles of an ever-encroaching global governing system. Have you ever heard of the World Health Organization, International Monetary Fund, World Trade Organization or the United Nations? These entities and many more were designed for nothing other than to govern the entire planet. At time of writing and pursuant to C-19 Pandemic, the WHO aims to become the WHA, with law-making and regulation enforcing powers.

Just as obvious is the establishment of the electronic monetary system that will be used to economically sanction individuals in order to force them to conform to the Antichrist’s global governance standards. The Bible prophesies that, in the end, every person on earth will be given their own unique identification number, and without it they will not be able to buy or sell. It is no coincidence that over half of the world’s population has already been issued a national ID card, which must be used to function in their particular countries. This is the precursor to the *Mark of the Beast* system prophesied in **Revelation 13:16-18**.

So what is the status of the one-world religion? What steps have already been taken, where are we now, and how will we recognize it in the future?

In recent years we have seen major efforts by the Vatican to build a 'bridge' between Catholics and varied religious leaders around the world, and with great success! It is the continuation of a decades-old attempt to gather all religions into an all-inclusive global religious community, and it is in the last stages of development. The question is not will a one-world religion be formed, but how close are we to its culmination?

One-World Religion in Prophecy

Revelation 13 is devoted specifically to end time events. Verses 1-8 describe the one-world government, 11-14 focus on the one-world religion along with the False Prophet and 16-18 outline the Antichrist's global economic system.

The goal of the Antichrist will be to lord over this global government and to force every human to pledge allegiance to him or to actually "worship" him.

"And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." – Revelation 13:8

In order for this to be fully realized, the Bible says the Antichrist will have two methods of enforcement: 1) He will form an alliance with the largest religious organization in the world—Christianity, and with the leader of the one-world religion—the False Prophet. The penalty for non-conformity with the one-world religion will be death, according to **Revelation 13:15**; **"And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed."** He will implement a system of economic control upon the human race—more commonly known as the Mark of the Beast. Those who will not participate in this system will not be able to buy or sell, rendering themselves unable to function in society.

To economically sanction an individual will surely sting. However, to murder under the guise of religion those who will not comply sounds incomprehensible—that is until you consider that there are world leaders who have already proposed this exact course of action!

Perestroika!

In his book *Perestroika*, Mikhail Gorbachev said there are three root causes for war—political conflicts, religious conflicts and economic conflicts. His offered solution was a one-world government, a global religious system and a global economy. Unbeknownst to him, he proposed exactly what the Bible prophesies is going to happen.

On page 231, Mr. Gorbachev put together an all-embracing system of international security. Item number 4ii of this list states, “We must extirpate all genocide, apartheid and religious exclusiveness.” To extirpate means to “kill off”. Therefore, Mr. Gorbachev is saying that we must kill off or abolish all religiously exclusive individuals.

Individuals are considered religiously exclusive if they believe their religion is the only religion through which people can be saved. For example, Jesus Christ said, “Except you believe that I am the Messiah, you will die in your sins.” **(John 8:24)** This would be considered religious exclusiveness.

Also, the scriptures tell us, “Neither is there salvation in any other, for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.” **(Acts 4:12)**

These types of beliefs would be considered extreme religious exclusiveness by the one-world religion crowd. The teachings of Jesus were definitely religiously exclusive. He said, “I am the door to the sheep fold and anybody that climbs up any other way, the same is a thief and a robber.” **(John 10:1)**

Mikhail Gorbachev said the entire world needs to be re-educated to believe all religions are equally valid. That process is today far advanced.

The Perceived Solution to Religious Conflict: Interfaithism (or “Godism”)

So, what is the perceived solution for religious exclusiveness and other religious conflicts in the world? It is religious inclusiveness. That means, if your religion is good for you, I respect it and I don’t argue against it. You respect my religion, everybody respects everyone, we validate everyone and thus, we remove religious conflict. That’s the concept being promoted today among the intelligentsia of our world—and it is filtering into the general populous.

The term “Interfaithism” is somewhat of a new term among us. However, many of our most famous political leaders have actually embraced Interfaithism. One of those is George W. Bush. In an interview, he said that Muslims, Jews and Christians all pray to the same God and that they are all going to heaven. That’s religious inclusiveness or Interfaithism.

Former U.S. President **Barack Obama** also believes in Interfaithism and pushes it at every opportunity. Beginning his first term as president, there were three inaugural services. At the first he had Muslims and Jews pray. At the second service he had a homosexual Episcopalian, Bishop Gene Robinson pray. At the third service he had evangelical, Rick Warren pray. President Obama was sending a very powerful message that all of these religions are legitimate and that he believes in Interfaithism.

So, how did we get to where we are now? How did we evolve to the point that a President of the United States of America—supposedly a Christian nation—would claim that all religions are equally valid in the eyes of God? Is it mere coincidence that Presidents **Bush** and **Obama** both adopted the concept of Interfaithism, or has this philosophy become the prevailing belief among the leaders of our world?

Interfaithism – a brief history

1893 – The First Parliament of the World’s Religions

In 1893, the first Parliament of the World’s Religions was held in Chicago. Its stated goal was to cultivate harmony among the world’s religions and spiritual communities and foster their engagement with the world and its guiding institutions in order to achieve a just, peaceful and sustainable world. Actually, it was way ahead of its time because not much else happened on Interfaithism for 80 years or so.

August 1985 – Pope John Paul II Visits Morocco

In August of 1985, Pope John Paul II visited Morocco at the invitation of King Hassan II. He became the first pope to visit an officially Islamic country at the invitation of its religious leader. There, at a historic meeting with thousands of Muslim youth in Casablanca Stadium, he emphasized that, “We believe in the same God, the one God, the living God.”

Do Christians and Muslims believe in the same God? No. Christians believe Jesus is God and that He died on the cross for all of humanity. Muslims do not believe Jesus is God and deny that He died on a cross.

So now interfaithists were taking huge leaps of blind faith. This continued in 1986 when Pope John Paul II convened the World Day of Prayer. Pope John Paul was convinced that prayer could bring believers together, an idea that inspired the 1986 World Day of Prayer for peace in Assisi, Italy.

1986 – World Day of Prayer Assisi, Italy

This unprecedented gathering at the pope's invitation drew leaders of Jews, Buddhists, Shintoists, Muslims, Zoroastrians, Hindus, Unitarians, traditional African and Native American religions and many others together under the roof of the Basilica of Saint Francis. They all prayed side-by-side with Catholic, Orthodox and Protestant leaders for world peace.

1993 – Parliament of the World's Religions 100-Year Anniversary

Finally in 1993, the Parliament of the World's Religions was held in Chicago on the 100th anniversary of the first Parliament of the World's Religions. Catholics, Protestants, Hindus, Jews, Muslims, Sikhs, Astorians, Wiccans (Witches), indigenous people and many others were in attendance.

At this meeting, a global ethic was adopted that was authored by eminent Catholic theologian **Hans Küng**. A global ethic is a global belief statement. The essence of the global ethic can be captured in three quotes from the document.

“We affirm that a common set of core values is found in the teachings of the religions, and that these form the basis for a global ethic that all religions can agree upon.”

“There already exists ancient guidelines for human behaviour which are found in the teachings of the religions of the world and which are the condition for a sustainable world order.”

“We must sink our narrow differences for the cause of the world community, practicing a culture of solidarity and relatedness.”

Sink our narrow differences? Narrow differences, such as, was Jesus God or was He not? Was He the Messiah or was He not? Was He crucified on the cross or was He not? Or, is Allah God, or is Jehovah God, or is Brahma God? “Narrow differences” is what they said in the global ethic. Why? So the internationalists can realize the dream of a world community and one-world government. This is the thinking that drives Interfaithism.

1994 – Catholic Catechism Says Salvation Includes Muslims

In 1994, the first new Roman Catholic catechism in four hundred years was published. In item number 841 under the Church's relationship with the Muslims,

it states, "The plan of salvation also includes those who acknowledge the Creator, in the first place amongst whom are the Muslims; these profess to hold the faith of Abraham, and together with us they adore the one, merciful God, mankind's judge on the last day."

The new Catholic Catechism clearly states that the plan of salvation also includes the Muslims because they claim to worship the God of Abraham. Never mind that Muslims adamantly deny that Jesus was God manifest in the flesh. With this statement in the new catechism, the Roman Catholic Church took another huge leap into the murky waters of Interfaithism.

June 26, 1995 – Ecumenical Service Held in San Francisco to Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Signing of the UN Charter

It was June 26, 1995, exactly 50 years after the UN Charter was signed. The service was hosted by Bishop William Swing of Grace Episcopal Church in San Francisco at the request of the UN. People attending were UN Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali, Princess Margaret of Great Britain, Arch Bishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa, President Lech Walesa of Poland and many other international dignitaries.

After this ecumenical meeting, **Bishop Swing** decided he should investigate the possibility of establishing a United Religions Organization, or a United Nations of Religions. He travelled throughout 1996 visiting such people as Pope John Paul II, Bishop Desmond Tutu, the Dalai Lama and Mother Theresa. Coming back from those meetings, he reported that the reception to the idea of a United Nations of Religions was overwhelming. Consequently, in 1997, Reverend Swing decided to hold the first charter writing conference for the United Religions Organization.

1998 – United Religions Initiative 2000

In 1998, Bishop Swing held the second charter writing conference at Stanford University in California. In attendance were Catholics, Protestants, Jews, Hindus, indigenous people and Wiccans. The charter was finally completed and the United Religions was officially born in June of the year 2000.

2000 – Millennium World Peace Summit

About three months after the United Religions was formed, there was a meeting held at the United Nations called the Millennium World Peace Summit. This was the first religious meeting ever held at the United Nations. It was held one week before the Millennium Summit for the world's political leaders. The concept behind this meeting was to bring about cooperation between the religious leaders of the world and the political leaders of the world.

The Millennium World Peace Summit was sponsored by Mr. Ted Turner, who had gifted one billion dollars to the United Nations. Because he put up the money, Turner was the keynote speaker for the meeting. There were about a thousand religious leaders in attendance from all over the world. The hope of the World Peace Summit was to engage religious and spiritual leadership as an interfaith ally to the United Nations in its quest for peace, global understanding and international cooperation.

2000 – International Advisory Council of Religious Leaders

Remember, this was the year 2000. The turn of the millennium only comes once every one thousand years. Consequently, expectations were very high. At the Millennium World Peace Summit, the religious leaders signed a declaration for world peace. More importantly, they established the International Advisory Council of religious leaders. This was to be a liaison between the religious leaders of the world and the political leaders of the world. The purpose was to engage religious leaders in promoting the plans of the World Community in its pursuit of global governance instead of working against them.

This was important because the political leaders realized the religious leaders could sabotage their efforts. The religious leaders were in pulpits, looking eye-to-eye with their people every week. They were dedicating their babies, marrying their young people and burying their dead. They were in their homes. Their influence was so vast. So, they established this liaison council to consult continually with the political leaders of the world in order to bring about this cooperation between politics and religion—between the political powers of the world and the religious leaders of the world. So, it was mission accomplished.

2000 – Millennium Development Goals

One week after the Millennium World Peace Summit, the political leaders of the world converged upon the United Nations for the UN Millennium Summit. Remember, this was the turn of the millennium. Expectations were very high and attendance was very high. The political leaders did several things at this meeting, but the main thing they did was to adopt what was called the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). They set eight MDGs: 1) Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger; 2) Achieve universal primary education; 3) Promote gender equality and empower women; 4) Reduce child mortality; 5) Improve maternal health; 6) Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases; 7) Ensure environmental sustainability and; 8) Develop a global partnership for development. The main purpose of the Millennium Development Goals was to unite all the nations of the world in working together to reach these goals.

Built into the Millennium Development Goals was a plan for massive wealth redistribution, which is the central plank in the platform of international socialism. The goals were now set for an international socialist agenda—all to be

administered by the United Nations and to be cooperated with by the religions of the world.

May 6, 2001 – At a Mosque in Damascus, Syria, Pope John Paul II is Seen Kissing the Koran.

2002 – Interfaith Service, Assisi, Italy

The interfaith efforts continued. In 2002, Pope John Paul II once again led an interfaith service in Assisi, Italy. The concept of Interfaithism was being continually sold and promoted.

2008 – Tony Blair Faith Foundation

In 2008, Tony Blair founded a new organization called the Tony Blair Faith Foundation. He stated, “Because of globalization moving us all closer together, we need a foundation that will re-educate the world so that religions can learn how to get along together in this ever-closer society.”

Blair launched a curriculum at Yale University called “Faith and Globalization”, becoming the key guest lecturer there. The course has since spread to other prestigious colleges.

2010 – Face to Faith

Realizing he needed to reach more than a few prestigious colleges, Tony Blair launched a new curriculum called “Face to Faith”. It was a project designed to reach the high school students of our world with the message of Interfaithism.

2010 – Clinton Global Initiative

Tony Blair entered into a partnership with Bill Clinton and his Clinton Global Initiative in 2010. They decided to take “Face to Faith” and promote it to schools worldwide. It was planned that every student would have a computer on his desk linked to a person of another religion somewhere around the world. A Christian would be linked to a Muslim, or a Muslim to a Buddhist, or a Buddhist to a Jew. These young people would then have discussions with one another, get to know each other, and especially emphasize their common points of agreement. The goal was to break down religious barriers on a global scale.

2011 – Pope Benedict Announces Interfaith Common Prayer Time in Assisi, Italy

In a 2011 development on Interfaithism, **Pope Benedict XVI** announced he would return to Assisi, Italy and invite all of the religions there once again for a common prayer time.

The Ultimate Goal of Interfaithism

Interfaithism recognises there are two major religions on the earth, Islam and Christianity. Islam claims about 1.57 billion followers, which is 23% of the world's population. Christianity claims 2.2 billion followers, which is 33% of the world's population. Together, between Islam and Christianity, we have 56% of the world's population. Interfaithists say, if these two religions can form an alliance, they could bring the entire world together.

With the goal of a world government in mind, Interfaithism is the mechanism being used by the global elite to unite all religions of the world.

Robert Muller Proposes United Nations of Religions

Mr. **Robert Muller** was an assistant secretary general to three secretary-generals at the United Nations. He worked at the UN for 38 years and was an open advocate of one-world government. In an interview with Irvin Baxter on the *Politics and Religion* radio program, Muller made the following statement, "We have brought the world together as far as we can politically." He claimed that "to bring about a true world government, the world must be brought together spiritually." Then he said, "What we need is a United Nations of Religions. The political leaders meet every day at the United Nations, and they talk together. This has produced a consensus of opinion so that we actually have a world community, which for the most part speaks with a common voice." Then he added, "The religious leaders won't even speak to one another most of the time. We need a **United Nations of Religions.**"

The unification of the world's religions cannot be complete unless Christianity as a whole is along for the ride. Consequently, the almost five-hundred-year-old rift between Catholics and Protestants must be mended. Understanding this, the internationalists have implemented a two-pronged approach to establishing the global religious system—ecumenism and Interfaithism.

Uniting Christianity: Ecumenism

Ecumenism is the movement promoting unity among Christian churches and denominations. The effort to unify all Christians began in earnest with Vatican Council II in 1962.

Vatican Council II

From Vatican Council II called by Pope John XXIII, the Roman Catholic Church issued the call for all of her departed “daughters”, speaking of the Protestants, to come home. The compelling argument behind the call to the Protestants was the words of Jesus Himself.

“That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me” (**John 17:21**).

“By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another,” (**John 13:35**).

The Catholic Church said, in essence, “Look—how can we ever win the world when we, as Christians, are so divided?” And there was a powerful appeal to this argument. After all, who would not want all Christians to be together? However, there was a problem.

Unity Based on Compromise, Not on Truth

The fatal flaw of the ecumenical movement from the outset was that this call to unity was based on compromise rather than truth. Long-held Biblical truths that our religious forefathers had worked and died for were cast aside like so much obsolete baggage. If the call for unity had been based on truth, Christians could have come together and prayerfully sought out the truths around which they should unify. They could have said, “Let’s pray and study until we know what the Bible actually teaches.” Then we could have had a true Christian rebirth.

But ecumenism wasn’t based on truth. It was based on compromise. Doctrine almost became a dirty word. This was in direct contradiction to the Apostle Paul’s instructions to Timothy, “**Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.**” (1 Timothy 4:16)

Doctrine Essential for Salvation

Paul taught Timothy that doctrine was essential for salvation. But in the ecumenical movement doctrine became the blockade to unity. From 1962 until 1994, the ecumenical movement advanced rapidly. By 1994, Catholics, Lutherans, Methodists, Baptists and even Jews began to exchange churches, synagogues and pulpits. It was amazing to watch since it had never happened before.

1994, A Perceived Culmination of Ecumenical Efforts

On March 29, 1994, all of these ecumenical efforts appeared to culminate when it was announced that an agreement had been signed between leading evangelicals, such as Pat Robertson, Charles Colson and Bill Bright (The founder of Crusade for Christ) and certain theologians in the Roman Catholic Church. The document titled, "Catholics and Protestants Together" states, "Since any person confessing faith in Jesus Christ is saved, Catholics, Protestants and Evangelicals should no longer target each other's members for conversion."

This agreement obviously presupposes that long-held doctrinal differences are no longer important and are merely divisive hindrances to Christian unity. An in-depth article announcing the signing of this document appeared in the *Indianapolis Star* on March 30, 1994. It was entitled "Catholics, Evangelicals Affirm Ties That Bind."

June 17, 1994 – Southern Baptists Embrace Catholics

About two and a half months later, in June of 1994, the Southern Baptist National Convention, America's largest Protestant denomination, voted overwhelmingly to endorse a declaration of unity with Catholics despite their theological differences. An article reporting on this unprecedented development was carried in the June 17, 1994 edition of the *Indianapolis Star* under the title, "Southern Baptists Embrace Catholics." It said, "In a major step toward ecumenism, the Southern Baptists said born-again believers may be found in all Christian denominations, and endorsed Baptist-Catholic dialogue."

October 31, 1999 – Lutheran/Catholic Joint Declaration on Justification

In 1999, the capstone of the ecumenical movement was put in place. Lutherans and Catholics signed a joint declaration on justification by faith. "It is a blockbuster agreement, a crowning achievement of the ecumenical dialogue spawned by Vatican II, and it almost didn't happen. Despite his public image as an ecumenical roadblock, the man credited by sources on both sides with saying this declaration is none other than Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger." (*National Catholic*

scenes today, it has captivated the thinking of both Catholic and Protestant leaders regarding religion.

In that regard, I think it is significant that in 1989 the Archbishop of the Anglican Church, Robert Runcie, called for all Christians to accept the Pope as “a common leader presiding in love.” Runcie made his appeal at an evening prayer service midway through his first official visit to the Vatican. “For the universal church, I renew the plea,” he said. “Could not all Christians come to reconsider the kind of primacy the bishop of Rome exercised with the early church, ‘a presiding in love’ for the sake of the unity of the churches in the diversity of their mission?”¹²

That kind of thinking is paving the way for the establishment of the one world government of the Antichrist ([Revelation 13:1-10](#)) which will be supported by the one world religious system of the False Prophet ([Revelation 13:11-18](#)).

Many now believe the ‘harlot church’ of Revelation 17 will most likely be an amalgamation of the world’s pagan religions, including apostate Protestants, under the leadership of the Roman Church.

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An interesting and useful book on this theme is Peter Sammons’ “**The Empty Promise of Godism**” (2009) which makes the profound case that “Godism” (the philosophy, belief, that all ‘religions’ ultimately lead to God) is an empty promise that can only end in temporal disappointment and, for many, eternal disaster.

“**The Empty Promise of Godism**” is available via Christian Publications International.

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