

MYSTICAL-SECULAR ECUMENISM

Stephen P. Duggan (1870-1950) was Professor of Diplomatic History at the College of the City of New York. He became known as the “apostle of internationalism.” From 1921 to 1950 he was the director of the Council on Foreign Relations. This agency continues as a sinister influence on international policy.¹

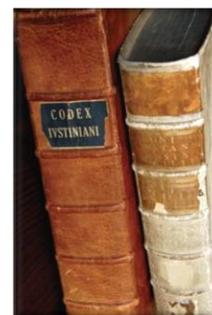


Stephen P. Duggan

- In 1919 he edited a book entitled *The League of Nations: The Principles and the Practice* (The Atlantic Monthly Press Inc.; Boston, MA; 1919), which contributed to the establishment of the League of Nations the following year.
- In Duggan’s book one author (Catholic Carlton J. H. Hayes, Professor of History at Columbia University) said:

“The idea of preserving unity among civilized men, of promoting **universal allegiance to a common lawgiver and obedience to a common law**, appealed powerfully to thoughtful men throughout the ‘Dark’ and ‘Middle’ Ages, and has **continued to affect mankind to the present moment.**”²

He wasn’t referring to God’s law. What universal law marked its origins by “thoughtful men” in the “Dark” and “Middle” Ages? The “Code of Canon Law” of the Roman Catholic Church.³ Internationalism, Rome’s veiled dream, at the *terminus ad quem*, would become a mystical religious force!



That code was spawned at the Council of Trent (1545-1563),⁴ which shortly followed the establishment of the Jesuit “Society of Jesus” in 1534.⁵ Trent’s deliberation and mission were set in 1540 by a papal bull, “Formula of the Institute,” by Pope Paul III. It was during their 25 sessions that the **mysteries of their dogma** of transubstantiation, penance, veneration of saints, relics, indulgences and purgatory were formalized. The **Society and Council** created a powerful agenda, catapulting into existence the Counter-Reformation. Both introduced mysticism –from the worship of saints to an alternative “liturgy” called **spiritual exercises**, where the power of choice became subservient to a “rite.”



It was during Duggan’s early years that Pope Leo XIII’s encyclical, *Rerum Novarum*, was published (1891).

¹ <http://www.perception-vs-reality.com/reality/2014/02/13/frnkfurt-school-part-3/>

² [https://www.archive.org/stream/leagueofnationsp00duggiala/league of nations00duggiala_djvu.txt](https://www.archive.org/stream/leagueofnationsp00duggiala/league%20of%20nations00duggiala_djvu.txt) (emphasis added)

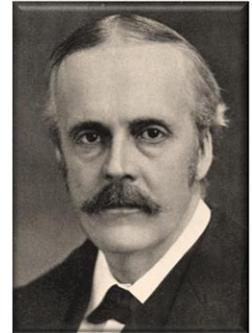
³ <http://canonlaw.cua.edu/res/images/Code.JPG>

⁴ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Council_of_Trent

⁵ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Society_of_Jesus

- This was a blockbuster document addressing international concern for the poor, families, economics and governments' social roles by **placing a moral value** on these secular issues.
- This, in turn, became the foundation for the Catholic Social Doctrine, creating an image of Rome as the world's moral leader. Geopolitics was being influenced by the mores of the "spiritual."

Arthur Balfour (1848–1930), a powerful world statesman, was one of the men instrumental in forwarding the development of the League of Nations. He was Prime Minister of England from 1902 to 1905 and later became Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. A philosopher and brilliant author, he believed that **truth could be discovered through reason**. He was deeply involved in mysticism and was tied to the:



Arthur J. Balfour
1848–1930

1. Society for Psychical Research (S.P.R.) (associated with séances involving supposed communication with the dead)
2. Synthetic Society (he initiated this to promote a one world religion)
3. Apostles' Club – a spiritualistic organization

Intriguingly, his diplomacy and legal finesse was instrumental in the creation of the Jewish State in 1948, a result of the "Balfour Declaration." Mysticism penetrated even that new government in the architectural symbols of the Israeli Supreme Court.⁶

International Move to "Unite"

The League of Nations was formed January 10, 1920, following World War I, in a desperate effort to settle future international disputes peacefully.

The United States never joined because of Congressional objections to many details President Woodrow Wilson had proposed.⁷ It was the first modern-day attempt to unify nations of the world in solving differences.

World War II shattered those diplomatic dreams. However, strange events occurred during the League's era which would influence all future geopolitical efforts.

The Alice Bailey Factor

Alice A. Bailey (1880–1949), teacher and prolific writer, claimed that most of her material came telepathically, channeled from a Tibetan "being" called Djwhal Khul.

- She was deeply involved with spiritualism, theosophy, astrology and the divine nature of man.
- Foster Bailey, her second husband, along with Alice, began a publication, *The Beacon*, and created The Lucifer Trust.

⁶ <http://www.britannia.com/gov/primes/prime39.html>

⁷ <https://history.state.gov/milestones/1914-1920/league>

The trust was organized to publish her 25 books on mysticism. Its name was later changed to the Lucis Trust to hide its satanic links.

- This trust became a Non-governmental Organization (NGO) of the United Nations (U.N.), which had by then replaced the League of Nations in 1945.
- That NGO was identified at the U.N. as the “World Goodwill,” which **strongly** influenced the delegates. She stated that world peace cannot come unless **spiritual unity** is established. This became a driving “force” at the U.N.!
- The Baileys established the Arcane School to further promote those views.⁸

Bailey despised the Jews and rejected Christianity, though she believed a “Christ” would appear to rescue mankind. Notable quotations:

“The Tibetan has asked me to make clear that when he is speaking of the Christ he is referring to His official name as Head of the Hierarchy. The Christ works for all men irrespective of their faith; He does not belong to the Christian world any more than to the Buddhist, the Mohammedan or any other faith.”⁹

“I dedicate myself anew to the service of the Coming One and will do all I can to prepare men’s minds and hearts for that event. I have no other life intention.”¹⁰

“Your spiritual goal is the establishing of the Kingdom of God. One of the first steps towards this is to prepare men’s minds to accept the fact that the reappearance of the CHRIST is imminent.”¹¹

“To enable Him today to walk among men requires a world which will have in it enough effective workers and spiritually-minded people to change the atmosphere of our planet; then and only then the Christ can and will come.”¹²

“There will not be any dissociation between the Universal Church, the Sacred Lodge of all true Masons and the inner circles of the esoteric societies.... ***In this way, the goals and work of the United Nations shall be solidified and a new Church of God, led by all the religions and by all of the spiritual groups, shall put an end to the great heresy of separateness.***”¹³ This is an ecumenical appeal from an influential mystic.

“He [the ‘Coming Christ’] will move to restore the ancient spiritual landmarks, to eliminate that which is nonessential, and to reorganize the entire religious field – again in preparation for the

⁸ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alice_Bailey

⁹ Bailey, Alice A.; *The Externalisation of the Hierarchy* (1985), p. 558.

¹⁰ Bailey, *op. cit.*, *Discipleship in the New Age*, vol.11, p. 226.

¹¹ Bailey, *op. cit.*, *Externalisation of the Hierarchy*, p. 701.

¹² *Ibid.*, p. 617

¹³ Bailey, *op. cit.*; *Externalization of the Hierarchy*, pp. 476, 478. <http://newlight.org.nz/roc/quotes.htm> (emphasis added)

restoration of the Mysteries. ***These Mysteries [mysticism], when restored, will unify all faiths.***¹⁴

“Evidence of the growth of the human intellect ...can be seen in the ‘planning’ of various nations and in the efforts of the United Nations to formulate a world plan.... From the very start of this unfoldment ... occult factors have governed the development of all these plans.”¹⁵



Semi-official flag League of Nations

Alice Baily had a powerful “insider” influence at the League and later the U.N.’s global initiatives.

- ***Its great purpose was clearly to reverse the scattering of Babylon and bring all nations together again!!!***
- Robert Muller, Assistant Secretary General of the U.N. for over 40 years, believed in a divinity within humanity and "was deeply influenced" by Alice Bailey and Jesuit priest Pierre Teilhard de Chardin who taught that man was in a ***continual state of improvement*** and would eventually attain a state of peace and planetary unity.¹⁶
- Dag Hammarskjöld, the second Secretary General of the U.N. became a mystic. “He too said ... that spirituality was the ultimate key to our earthly fate in time and space.”¹⁷

Mr. Hammarskjöld was instrumental in developing the “Meditation Room” at the U.N., a “*room dedicated to silence.*” He said. “*We want to bring back, in this room, the stillness which we have lost in our streets, and in our conference rooms, and to bring it back in a setting in which no noise would impinge on our imagination.*”

“In the center of the room he placed a six-and-half-ton rectangular block of iron ore, polished on the top and illuminated from above by a single spotlight. This represented “*a meeting of the light, of the sky, and the earth ... it is the altar to the God of all.*”¹⁸



The custodian of the Meditation Room? The Lucis Trust (The Lucifer Trust). From this room’s shape (trapezoid) to its lighting and mural symbols, occult influences are highlighted.

- A “mystery” of major importance is the room’s shape (trapezoid) that enhances demonic manifestations.¹⁹

¹⁴ Bailey, *op. cit.*; *The Externalization of the Hierarchy*, p. 573.

<http://www.lighthouse-trails-research.com/newsletter062308.htm>

¹⁵ Bailey, *op. cit.*; *Discipleship in the New Age* (Lucis Press, 1955), vol.II, p.35 (emphasis added).

http://www.bibliotecapleyades.net/sociopolitica/esp_sociopol_un05.htm

¹⁶ Muller, Robert, ed., *The Desire to be Human: A Global Reconnaissance of Human Perspectives in an Age of Transformation* (Miranana, 1983), p.304.

¹⁷ *Ibid.*

¹⁸ <http://www.un.org/depts/dhl/dag/meditationroom.htm>

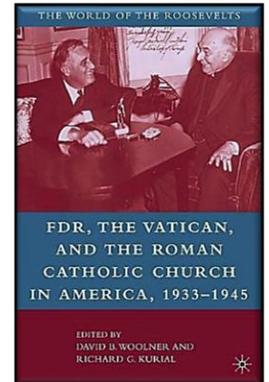
¹⁹ http://www.thebabylonmatrix.com/index.php?title=911:Occult_symbolism_V

- Robert Muller dreamed that spiritual unity would occur through a Pope of Rome speaking for all religious systems.

President Franklin D. Roosevelt’s “Force”

During this “world nations’ transition period” Franklin D. Roosevelt (FDR) was president of the United States (1933–1945).

- Quietly, he met with representatives of the Roman Catholic Church, who outlined for him the principles for international peace (based on the Catholic Social doctrine).
- This history is detailed in a 2003 book written by Woolner and Kurial, *Franklin D. Roosevelt, the Vatican and the Roman Catholic Church in America*. Another move toward spiritual internationalism stepped forward.



In 1940 the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace published a book, *New World Order*. Its concepts were adopted by the U.S. State Department. A strategy for world peace emerged:

1. Divide the world up into geopolitical, economic regions.
2. Establish **principles** that would govern that coalition.

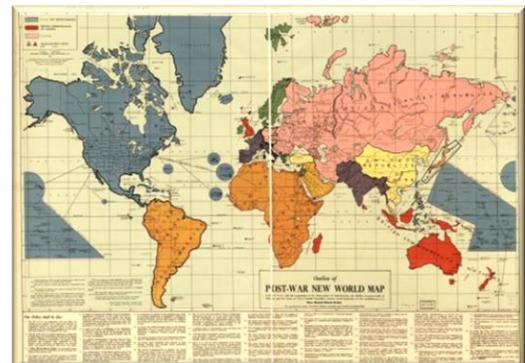
In 1941, in his State of the Union speech, Franklin D. Roosevelt presented “Four Freedoms” that would become a foundation for a new world order.²⁰

Then something strange happened.



A Pennsylvania cartographer, Maurice Gomberg, developed a map for the State Department and the Carnegie Institute that projected a post-war, ten-region world. It was published on February 25, 1942.

- Mysteriously – the nation of Israel, noted on this map, wouldn’t “arise” for another six years (1948).
- The development of a North America Union wouldn’t come until 1992, yet it is depicted here!



How did this all happen? It does fulfill the “ten region” prophecy of Revelation 17! But – what influenced this? The bottom of the map outlined the “moral” issues that FDR had presented in his State of the Union address (which he had, in turn, gleaned from his meeting with the Roman Catholic Church).

²⁰ <http://www.fdrlibrary.marist.edu/fourfreedoms>

- One of the subtitles of that map is “*The New Moral World Order.*” Internationalism was to be spiritual, ***just as Alice Bailey had said was needed.***
- Irish Historian Thomas Moriarty, while researching for a book on the U.S. wartime global ambitions, found and studied Gomberg’s map. He was stunned:
 1. “Either the U.S. State Department had someone who could see into the future or
 2. They meticulously planned to redraw the entire map of the world by some mysterious geopolitical sensitivity.”²¹

Mysticism once again appeared as a hidden force.

Another NGO that has consultative rights to the U.N. body emerged: “The Temple of Understanding.” It was founded in 1960 to promote “an appreciation of religious and cultural diversity.” Its work had *spiritualism at its roots.*

- Robert Muller, that Assistant Secretary General previously alluded to, developed “A World Core Curriculum for Global Education,” embodying many of this NGO’s “forces.”
- Within this he created instructions for a “Planetary and Cosmic Consciousness.”
- He said we “must steer our children toward global citizenship, earth-centered beliefs, socialistic values and the collective mindset which is becoming a requirement for the 21st century workforce.”²²

Intriguingly, and even more deeply, the philosophy of this curriculum can be found in the books of Alice Bailey, with its satanic roots.²³

The fundamental beliefs of the U.N. are driven by a “spiritual force” under some “absolute supreme.”²⁴ Is this what the Bible alludes to when it says:

*“And I saw three **unclean spirits** like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, **which go forth unto the kings of the earth** and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty” (Revelation 16:13-14)?*

All these organizations and leaders talk of the reestablishment of “mysteries” that will unite the world and all believers into one faith. As Satan is working in that secular world, so he is in the religious world.

²¹ <http://img205.imageshack.us/img205/2862/mirrormz5.jpg>; <http://www.scribd.com/doc/105282402/BT-Papers-Af-Pak>

²² New Man magazine (Lake Mary, FL: July – August 1995): 85 – 86 as quoted in <http://pdf.amazingdiscoveries.org/Section%20PDFs/The%20United%20Nations%20Global%20Government.pdf>

²³ Chairperson of the accreditation team for Muller’s Curriculum for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Dr. Eileen Lynch, Professor of Political Science, Brookhaven College, October 1984. Quoted from copy of the accreditation report which is included in the appendix of the *Robert Muller World Core Curriculum Manual.*

²⁴ *Ibid.*

Ecumenical Mysticism

Pope John Paul II convened a world meeting of religions in Assisi, Italy, in 1986.²⁵

- One hundred and thirty religions were represented, including Judaism, Muslim, Buddhism and Wiccan.
- This was a major turning point in uniting world religions. Wiccan “prayers” and Buddhist rites were part of the proceedings.



Yet, James Dobson, founder of *Focus on the Family*, later said in 1990: The Pope is “the most eminent religious leader who names the name of Jesus Christ.”²⁶

1990 was the year that Jesuit Malachi Martin came out with his book, *Keys of This Blood*, propounding the emerging geopolitical leadership of the papacy.

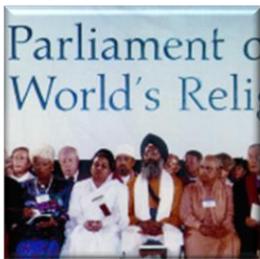
John Stott, then advisor to the *World Council of Churches*, said: “The **visible unity** of all professing Christians should be our goal ... and evangelicals should join others in the Church of England in working towards full communion with the Roman Catholic Church.”²⁷

Benny Hinn followed with “Roman Catholic doctrine is no concern, for after all, Catholics love Jesus.”²⁸

Billy Graham intensified his long support of the Roman Catholic Church by visiting Pope John Paul II three times. He called him the “world’s greatest evangelist,” noting that the “differences in their theology” was not important as far as personal salvation was concerned.²⁹

We reflect on an expositor’s statement:

“There has been for years, in churches of the Protestant faith, a strong and growing sentiment in favor of a union based upon common points of doctrine. To secure such a union, the discussion of subjects upon which all were not agreed – however important they might be from a Bible standpoint – must necessarily be waived.”³⁰



This “principle” was epitomized by the first Parliament of World Religions in 1893. A similar gathering was called 100 years later in 1993 in Chicago!

Six thousand representatives from 125 different faiths met to worship and prove that they could get along. Out of this came a remarkable document

²⁵ http://www.saintanthonyofpadua.net/messaggero/pagina_stamp_a.asp?R=&ID=565

²⁶ Hunt, Dave; *A Woman Rides the Beast* (Harvest House Publishers; Eugene, OR), p. 413.

²⁷ de Semlyen, Michael; *All Roads Lead to Rome – The Ecumenical Movement* (Dorchester House Publications, England, 1993), pp. 30-31 (emphasis added).

²⁸ *Ibid.*, p. 405.

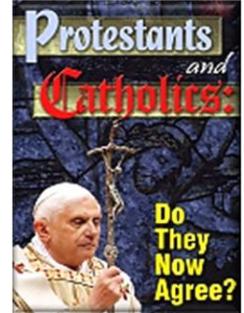
²⁹ Hunt, *op. cit.*

³⁰ White, Ellen G; *The Great Controversy*, p. 444.

of unity: *The Declaration of a Global Ethic*. It is a masterpiece of **psychosocial idealism** – but – God was never mentioned! 200 scholars of many faiths/religions worked on its wording over a two-year period, coordinated by the Roman Catholic Church. It would create a unified “mystical body”! *“Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away”* (II Timothy 3:5).

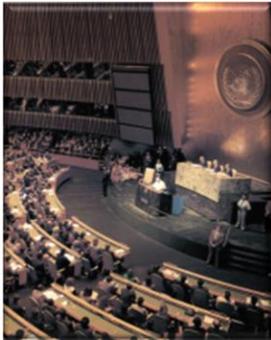
In 1994 Pope John Paul II invited 1000 representatives of a new organization tied to the United Nations to visit the Vatican. It was called the “World Conference on Religion and Peace.” They hammered out a plan to unite all the world’s religions.

That same year 39 scholars from the Catholic and Protestant persuasions signed a unity document called *“Evangelicals and Catholics Together”* (March 29, 1994).



Then, May 25, 1995, Pope John Paul II wrote an encyclical called *That They May Be One!* The late Richard John Neuhaus headed up the Catholic Alliance and spoke out regarding that encyclical: *“The document underscores the priority of East–West relations in the Catholic Church’s*

understanding of the ecumenical imperative, with the pope repeatedly emphasizing that we can settle for nothing less than the restoration of the full communion that was formally broken in 1054.” A subliminal **projection of guilt** against Protestants.



Pope John Paul II addressed the United Nations that year (1995). He appealed for a **“global spirituality”** to help unify a world in moral chaos.

In 1997 this stimulated Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople (recognized as the head of 250 million Orthodox Christians) to speak at the Jesuit Georgetown University: *“Our heart is opposed to the specter of an everlasting separation. Our heart requires that we seek again our common foundations and the original starting point that we share.”*³¹



The Twenty-first Century

By the time the September 11, 2001, terrorist tragedy occurred, the ecumenical goodwill and power of the papacy had become global.



Over a brief three-month period following September 11, the Vatican summoned the leaders of the world’s religions to come to Assisi, Italy, for a time of unified prayer. Over 250 religious leaders responded. Muslim muftis said: *“Whenever the Pope wants to have such a gathering, we will come.”*



It was organized, called and convened in that brief period! The geopolitical power of Rome is immense – from the United Nations

³¹ *Our Sunday Visitor*, 11/9/97.

to the world's "spiritual" community. In that January 2002 meeting mysticism was again readily apparent with pagan cults praying for all.³²

Subsequently, a significant event occurred in the United States:



On April 6, 2002, a group of diverse religious leaders met to hammer out a statement of religious unity for the United States! It became known as The Chicago Statement:

"As Evangelical, Orthodox, Pentecostal, Mainline Protestant and Roman Catholic church leaders, we write to all Christians in the United States to share our longing for an expanded Christian conversation in our nation. We lament that we are divided and that our divisions too often result in distrust, misunderstandings, fear and even hostility between us. We long for the broken body of Christ made whole, where unity can be celebrated in the midst of our diversity.

"We lament how our lack of faithfulness to each other has led to a lack of effectiveness on crucial issues of human dignity and social justice....

"With excitement we began to sketch the outlines of a new level of relationship and action that offer a common witness for Christ to the world. This common witness will be visible through our: 1. Celebrating a common confession of faith in the Triune God 2. Seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit through biblical, spiritual and theological reflection 3. Engaging in common prayer 4. Speaking to society with a common voice 5. Promoting the common good of society."³³

The "mystical body" of Catholicism had its fingerprints all over its narrative.

Rome developed another "ecumenical" idea:



Let's bring the **world's religious leaders to an apparition site**, a major Roman Catholic Church mystical shrine for "ecumenical bonding." Thus, the first Ecumenical Congress on September 20-23, 2004, occurred at the *Marian Shrine of Kevelaer* in Germany. Bishop Brian Farrell of the Vatican's *Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity*, who works closely with the *World Council of Churches*, presided. The world's

religions identified with that Roman Catholic shrine while enjoying ecumenical fellowship.

Inside that shrine/church is a relief, carved in the ceiling, of Mary being crowned by Christ and God! This artwork became a magnet to Protestant and Pagan delegates alike.³⁴ The "natural" followed:



A Warm Protestant Welcome for Mary:

U.S. News:" Time was, for Protestants, when the Virgin Mary was a once-a-

³² <http://www.dailycatholic.org/issue/2002Apr/apr5mdi.htm>

³³ <http://christianchurchestogether.org/chicago-statement/>

³⁴ http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/pontifical_councils/migrants/documents/rc_pc_migrants_doc_20040730_Kevelaer_finaldoc_en_20_23_04.html

year thing. ‘We dragged Mary out at Christmas along with the angels and placed her at center stage,’” wrote religious essayist Kathleen Norris.

“Today, more and more Protestants are welcoming Mary back into their spiritual lives. Several new books by Protestant authors have spurred new interest in the Virgin Mother. It was seen as Catholic territory, but now the lines between denominations are dropping.”³⁵

We ponder:

“Romanism is now regarded by Protestants with far greater favor than in former years. In those countries where Catholicism is not in the ascendancy, and the papists are taking a conciliatory course in order to gain influence, there is an increasing indifference concerning the doctrines that separate the reformed churches from the papal hierarchy; the opinion is gaining ground that, after all, we do not differ so widely upon vital points as has been supposed, and that a little concession on our part will bring us into a better understanding with Rome. The time was when Protestants placed a high value upon the liberty of conscience which had been so dearly purchased. They taught their children to abhor popery and held that to seek harmony with Rome would be disloyalty to God. But how widely different are the sentiments now expressed!”³⁶

A stunning Catholic position must not remain hidden. Jesuit Boyd Barrett noted in 1935: “Interdenominationalism is impossible to Roman Catholics except in so far as they make pretense of it to cull favor and secure political advantage.”³⁷ !!!

During Pope John Paul II’s tenure, the pretext: “The difference now is the irrevocable pledge of the Catholic Church to take the lead ... in striving for the fulfillment of the prayer of our Lord that they may all be one.”³⁸



Then Came Pope Benedict XVI: Shortly after he assumed power over the Roman Catholic Church (April 19, 2005), he met with Samuel Kobia, secretary general of the *World Council of Churches*, who had a close association with the U.N.



“In the very first days of my pontificate I stated that my ‘primary task is the duty to work tirelessly to rebuild the full and visible unity of all Christ’s followers.’”³⁹ This meeting was an early papal gesture toward that goal.



Though not recognized by many, mysticism has also been part of the World Council of Churches for many years.⁴⁰

³⁵ Covington, Richard; USNews, January 25, 2008; <http://www.usnews.com/articles/news/religion/2008/01/25/a-warm-protestant-welcome-for-mary.html>

³⁶ White, Ellen G.; *The Great Controversy*, p. 563.

³⁷ Barrett, E. Boyd, *Rome Stoops to Conquer* (Julian Messner, Inc.; N.Y., 1935), p. 122.

³⁸ Pope John Paul II; *Catholic Crises Magazine*, September, 1998.

³⁹ “Pope Benedict XVI, Vatican City, June 16, 2005)(VIS).

⁴⁰ http://www.frontline.org.za/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=325:paganism-and-the-wcc&catid=19:animism-cat&Itemid=191; http://www.inplainsite.org/html/world_council_of_churches.html

Making further steps in his ecumenical “promise,” Pope Benedict, in 2006, brought together hundreds of world religious leaders, again, to Assisi, Italy, to discuss the power of religious unity. On September 4 he noted: “Global terrorism and violence carried out in the name of God show no signs of letting up.” He appealed to those leaders (including of the Muslim world) to use their faiths to bring about peace.⁴¹



Meeting in Assisi, Italy
2006

Then the unthinkable occurred in October of 2007:

One hundred and fifty Muslim leaders wrote an open letter to the Christian leaders of the world, which they called “*A common word between us and you.*” The introduction and summary of the many-page document said: “*Muslims and Christians together make up well over half of the world’s population. Without peace and justice between these two religious communities, there can be no meaningful peace in the world. The future of the world depends on peace between Muslims and Christians.*”



“*Let us respect each other, be fair, just and kind to one another and live in sincere peace, harmony and mutual goodwill.*”⁴²

Another ecumenical milestone occurred in September 2009:

One hundred and eighty-nine Protestant, Orthodox and Catholic leaders signed the Manhattan Declaration!

- It was a powerful religious and political document, based upon shared moral and social concerns regarding the right to life, marriage and religious liberty.
- Its signers represented the “Who’s Who” among religious names in North America. But – one significant leader withheld his name – **John MacArthur**, a great pastor, theologian and Bible teacher.
- “Although I obviously agree with the document’s opposition to same-sex marriage, abortion, and other key moral problems threatening our culture, the document falls far short of identifying the one true and ultimate remedy for all of humanity’s moral ills: the gospel.” “***The gospel itself is nowhere presented*** (much less explained) in the document or any of the accompanying literature. Indeed, that would be a practical impossibility because of the contradictory views held by the broad range of signatories regarding what the gospel teaches and what it means to be a Christian.”⁴³



That document tacitly pointed out a “hidden agenda.” This ***must be signed*** for the “common good” of this nation and the world. That Roman Catholic phrase “common good” entraps every religious leader into a political net.

⁴¹ <https://www.ewtn.com/library/PAPALDOC/b16asspryr20.htm>

⁴² <http://www.acommonword.com/>

⁴³ <http://www.gty.org/resources/articles/A390/the-manhattan-declaration>

- It is deceptive and egregious because it ties a pretext of having a religious motivation into a peace in the geopolitical world – ***a religious internationalism.***
- MacArthur brilliantly saw this. It really means “public good.”
- It is part of “dominion theology,” where the Christian world is ***subliminally*** projecting ***controlling influence*** over civil society! Revelation 13, 17 and 18 address that!

This concept originated in Rome with a mystical interest in geopolitical leadership under a moral pretense.

Recall Pope John Paul II’s encyclical *Dies Domini*: “In this matter, my predecessor Pope Leo XIII in his Encyclical *Rerum Novarum* spoke of Sunday rest as a worker’s right which the **State** must guarantee.”⁴⁴

“Therefore, also in the particular circumstances of our own time, Christians will naturally strive to ensure that **civil legislation** respects their duty to keep Sunday holy.”⁴⁵

Evangelist, writer and founder of Morning Star Ministries, Rick Joyner, says:



“There is a maturity, a discipline, and a divine militancy coming upon the people of God. Those who have succumbed to humanistic and idealistic theologies may have a hard time with this, but we must understand that God is a military God.”⁴⁶
This is Dominion Theology.

Morphing of the Church of England:

- The Church of England broke away from Roman Catholic control in 1558 by the *Elizabethan Religious Settlement Act* and the *Act of Supremacy* by the Parliament of England.
- The following year, 1559, intriguingly, the power of the Society of Jesus was rising and the Council of Trent was underway.
- As the 21st century dawned, the Anglican Church began to ordain women and homosexual priests. By 2007 leaders were severing ties with that Church of England.
- Rome had a brilliant idea: Attract the “conservative wing” of that church to our “fold.”



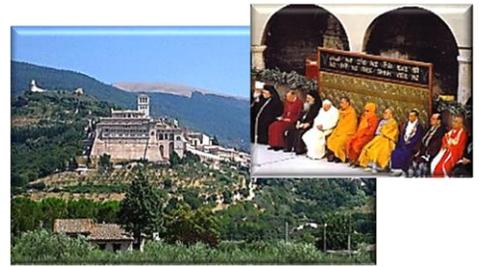
Pope Benedict XVI and the then-Archbishop of Canterbury, Rowan Williams, hammered out the details at the Vatican. Over 200,000 members transferred to the Roman Catholic Church, including fifty bishops. They were married. Rome made special accommodation for them, retaining their priesthood!

⁴⁴ Pope John Paul II, *Dies Domini*, May 31, 1998 Point 66.

⁴⁵ *Ibid.*, Point 67.

⁴⁶ Joyner, Rick; “*Taking the Land – We Are Establishing Our Eternal Place And Position Here On Earth*” (November 29, 2005).

On October 27, 2011, Pope Benedict called another world ecumenical meeting of 176 different religious leaders to the Catholic citadel in Assisi, Italy. Three months later, in 2012, the World Council of Churches (WCC) joined the Roman Catholic Church (RCC) to celebrate a Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The RCC is not a formal member of the WCC.



Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi

At the conclusion, the World Council of Churches said: ***“The unity for which we pray is not merely a ‘comfortable’ notion of friendliness and co-operation. It requires a willingness to dispense with competition between us.”*** The rest of the speech clarified that it would require one to set aside what makes each church unique and distinctive.⁴⁷



Benedict said shortly thereafter from the balcony of St. Peter’s Basilica:

“May the Blessed Virgin lead all believers in Christ to the goal of full unity!” (June 29, 2012).



In September 2012 Pope Benedict XVI traveled to Lebanon to meet the representatives of the various Christian traditions in that Middle Eastern area with the one goal of uniting humanity in Christ.⁴⁸



A Synod of Catholic Bishops was called in October 2012 to launch the worldwide *Year of Faith*. They repackaged a Vatican II document, *Instrumentum Laboris*, to develop new ways to evangelize during this year!

- The Vatican invited the Baptist World Alliance to send a representative to this Papal Synod to speak. Timothy George, Dean of Beeson Divinity School, went and addressed the group:
- This is how he addressed the Vatican leaders: “Dear Holy Father, Venerable Fathers of the Synod, brothers and sisters in the Lord...”⁴⁹



⁴⁷ Vatican City, January 17, 2012, Zenit.org (emphasis added)

⁴⁸ Warner, Christopher B.; September 21, 2012.

⁴⁹ “The New Evangelization for the Transmission of the Christian Faith,” Vatican City, October 16, 2012; <http://www.beesondivinity.com/fromthedeans>

Then the Islamic world entered the ecumenical “fray”:



In November 2012 Saudi King Abdullah opened the *Center for Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue* (KAICIID) in Vienna, Austria, with the partnership of the governments of Spain and Austria.

- The Vatican was identified as a “founding observer” to the organization. Eight hundred world religious leaders attended! Was this the beginning of an Islamic ecumenical movement?
- No – it was a major gesture to bond that world with the ecumenism of Christianity.

Secretary General of the United Nations, Ban Ki-moon, attended: “I fully support your **vision of religion as an enabler of respect and reconciliation.**”⁵⁰ Again, recall spiritualist Alice Bailey’s words that unity cannot come unless it is “spiritual.”



The Francis Era Begins:

On March 20, 2013, “clergy” from all over the world came to the Vatican to celebrate the beginning of Francis’ pontificate. These included the “fraternal delegates of churches, ecclesial communities and international ecumenical bodies, ...” This included representatives of the Jewish people and of **non-Christian religions.**⁵¹



They all joined him in the celebration of the mystical “Holy Mass.”⁵²

The next day Francis noted: **“Let’s join together on social issues.”**⁵³ That has been a Jesuit agenda for over 500 years.⁵⁴

Then, in a frenzied array of ecumenical moves:

1. Pope Francis had Islamic prayers at the Fatima shrine.⁵⁵

⁵⁰ Thomson, Reuters News, November 2012.

⁵¹ <http://zenit.org/articles/pope-s-address-to-representatives-of-the-churches-ecclesial-communities-and-other-religions/>

⁵² *Ibid.*

⁵³ Reuters News, March 21, 2013.

⁵⁴ “Understand the Times,” Lighthouse Trails Special Report, March 2013; lighthouse trailsresearch.com

2. He met with representatives of the Mormon Church, plus Joel Osteen and other evangelicals.⁵⁶

3. He had an unprecedented meeting with the Palestinian President, Mahmoud Abbas, and Shimon Peres, President of Israel. Then, in the Papal apartment, he had prayer with them together!⁵⁷



4. Then he wooed Evangelicals and Pentecostals by inviting their key leaders and hundreds of representatives to Caserta, Italy, for an unprecedented unity meeting.⁵⁸

5. In September 2014 Israel's President Shimon Peres flew to Rome to personally ask Pope Francis to head up the world's religions!⁵⁹



6. He met shortly thereafter with Rick Warren and Buddhist leaders in Rome, November 17-19, 2014.⁶⁰

7. Then, what was assumed would never happen, happened. Headlines: *Francis calls on Christian leaders "to overcome proselytism and competition"* (i.e., "Quit sharing your faith so we can all get along!").⁶¹

8. 10,000 people, 80 nations, 50 faiths met in Salt Lake City, Utah, October 2015. Key organizer? The Vatican.⁶²



9. Pope Francis sent a message January 2016 to the World Economic Forum: "Do not forget the poor!" The managing director of the International Monetary Fund, Christine Laggard, had just visited him at the Vatican for a church-called economic forum. The "poor" are a "mystical shield that hides Rome's true geopolitical intentions."⁶³



⁵⁵ Al Arabyia, Reuters News, June 6, 2014.

⁵⁶ Mark A. Kellner, *Deseret News National Edition*, June 5, 2014.

⁵⁷ <http://www.cnn.com/2014/06/08/world/europe/pope-abbas-peres/q>

⁵⁸ *L'Osservatore, Romano*; Reuters News, July 28, 2014.

⁵⁹ *L'Osservatore, Romano*; Vatican Newspaper September 4, 2014.

⁶⁰ <http://christiannews.net/2014/11/07/russell-moore-rick-warren-to-join-pope-francis-with-muslims-buddhists-for-interfaith-conference/>

⁶¹ Vatican News, January 28, 2015.

⁶² <http://www.parliamentofreligions.org/>

⁶³ <http://www.news.va/en/news/pope-to-world-economic-forum-do-not-forget-the-poor>
<http://blog.acton.org/archives/84565-conference-brings-together-pope-and-corporate-executives.html>

The Roman Catholic Church is a blend of pagan-spiked Christianity, geopolitical plans, with unprecedented religious power. All roads *are* leading to Rome! The United Nations is an accomplice, with its objective of emphasizing unity in preference over freedom.⁶⁴ Change in the world is about to bring coercion. Watch closely.

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⁶⁴ <http://townhall.com/tipsheet/cortneyobrien/2016/01/27/netanyahu-the-un-has-lost-its-neutrality-secretary-general-gives-tailwind-to-terrorism-n2110735>