



Standing Together

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“Advancing Biblical Unity and Spiritual Transformation in Utah”

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MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS:

- Northern Utah pastors win ST's 1st ever “North Versus the South” pastor’s golf challenge held at Mountain Dell golf course on August 24th.
- 45 local churches in Utah launch *The Christian Solidarity Campaign* with press conference at 1st Presbyterian.
- Preaching opportunities for Greg at Valley AG in SLC, Trinity Life Church in Ogden, and New Pilgrims Baptist in SLC.
- Greg attended Beeson Seminary conference in Birmingham, AL with Dr. Bob Millet of BYU. Conference held to honor Dr. J.I. Packer and his influence upon evangelicalism.
- Greg attended Mission America’s Annual Gathering in St. Louis, and reported on the work of unity and transformation in Utah.
- Greg lectures at Calvary Chapel Park City on *Current Trends in Mormonism*.

CHRISTIAN SOLIDARITY CAMPAIGN BEGINS



On a trip to Manchester, England in February of 2005, I came across several churches with unique pink, oval signs outside their buildings. I’m thrilled to report that as of September 10th, 2006, a visitor to Utah might see a similar (although more attractive) green, oval sign in front of a number of local evangelical churches along the Wasatch Front. How I praise God for this simple, yet significant, expression of unity that has been embraced by such a good number of local churches. Over a year long process, Utah pastors processed the idea of what eventually became known as *The Christian Solidarity Campaign*. Each participating local church has signed a *Solidarity Covenant* which affirms the relational association of each church, and a doctrinal affirmation of five fundamentals of the Christian faith. The covenant affirms a belief in the Triune nature of God, that we are saved by grace alone, that Jesus Christ is Lord of all, that the Bible alone is God’s holy word, and that human beings are sinful. Then, as a public expression of unity, each church commits to posting the sign you see above in front of their church. The message of the sign is clear, every church in the *Christian Solidarity Campaign* believes that there is One Church, One God, that His name is Jesus Christ, and that you can worship Him here at this church. Pastor Mark Hladek, of Crossroads Community Church in Ogden, serves as the chair of the campaign and is supported with a leadership team of additional pastors. Standing Together is thrilled to support this unity effort and to be one of the participating ministries in the campaign. Please visit the christian-solidarity.org website to see all the churches that are currently involved if this effort. The hope is that additional churches will continue to join the campaign, and that the message of Christian unity in Utah will

THE TRUTH PROJECT IS COMING TO SLC

We are excited to announce that *Focus on the Family* has accepted Standing Together’s invitation to bring *The Truth Project* to Salt Lake City June 8-9, 2007. *The Truth Project* is an amazing twelve part DVD study on the topic of Christian Worldview, and is directed by Dr. Del Tackett, President of the *Focus on the Family Institute*. Each registrant will experience a two-day training event, taught by Dr. Tackett himself, that will prepare them to take the twelve part DVD into their neighborhood and other associations and lead small groups on the topic of Christian Worldview. Questions ranging from “is there a God?”, to “where did human beings come from?”, and “is evil real?” will be examined in the light of different Worldview systems. Not only does *The Truth Project* have the potential to be a great evangelistic tool here in Utah, but it will also be an incredible teaching and training experience for many Christians who are young in their faith knowledge. Please check out thetruthproject.org for more information and details!



CLERGY TO PRE-SCREEN THE NATIVITY IN SLC

Last week, I attended the Mission America Annual Gathering in St. Louis, and as a part of our conference we were invited as a group to pre-screen Grace Hill Media’s upcoming film release, *The Nativity*. Believe me, this film will put **CHRIST** back into **Christmas** this year! ST have been asked to host a clergy pre-screening right here in Salt Lake City, which we will be doing on **Tuesday, November 14**. We are thrilled that we will be able to bless our local pastors with this opportunity and trust they will feel honored and blessed by it! *The Nativity* is well done and is quite