

Public Education. Their goal is to privatize Washington's schools so that the income stream from education can be diverted to speculators, the same looting that has devastated the energy and health-care sectors.

At the time of the anti-School Board referendum, FCC chairman Golden was revealed to be a member of the education section of the D.C. financial control board.

As a channel for "Negro removal" pressure, the Federal City Council created the Washington-Baltimore Regional 2012 Coalition. They promise big dollars for the capital region, if steps are taken to change Washington's complexion and attract the Summer Olympics of 2012.

From the Top

Two of the most powerful officers of Mayor Williams's cabinet are ideal FCC representatives. Deputy Mayor and City Administrator John Koskinen was formerly the national "Y2K Czar," funneling billions of dollars into boosting worthless "New Economy" firms. The Federal City Council, in its 2000 Annual Report, trumpets the fact that they first brought Mr. Koskinen in, and they provided his services to the city free of charge, for the purpose of reforming the governance of the schools.

The Mayor's Chief of Staff, Abdusalam H. Omer of Somalia, previously worked as a specialist in destroying the resistance of poor countries to being controlled and destroyed by globalization. Omer was a consultant to the World Bank for "civil service reform."

The IMF-World Bank agenda for looting Africa is now applied to America's capital city. The FCC and its satellites explain this agenda as "overhauling the systems that serve urban low-income families—public schools, welfare agencies, health services"—by cost-cutting and shutdown of facilities.

The *Washington Post* has been in this business for a long time.

Katharine Graham's father, Eugene Meyer, formerly head of the Federal Reserve for Herbert Hoover, bought the *Post* on June 1, 1933. Three days later, on June 4, Meyer ran one editorial praising the new Adolf Hitler government for its efforts to cut costs and "contain inflation," and another editorial on the same page attacking President Franklin Roosevelt as a dictator.

Graham's husband, *Post* publisher Philip Graham, founded the Federal City Council in 1954. But he became very close to the Kennedy family, supported civil rights, and broke up with Katharine, who despised President Kennedy. Phil Graham was put in a mental hospital, released into his estranged wife's custody, and, the next morning, on Aug. 3, 1963, was found shot to death in her bathtub.

Thus, the peculiar political and racial philosophy of the secretive FCC group now reflects the mind-set of the "Black Widow"—Mrs. Graham—more than that of its official founder.

Racists Torpedo Bush's Faith-Based Folly

by Michele Steinberg

The Armageddon Army of Christian fundamentalist fanatics is upping the pressure on President George W. Bush with an all-out assault on his Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives (F-BCI), which was to have been a centerpiece of ending "New Deal"-type social programs, and replacing them with so-called "faith-based" charities on a voluntary basis. To Bush's surprise, a coalition of his biggest backers—the KKK Christians led by televangelists Jerry Falwell, "Diamond Pat" Robertson (who was caught in 1995 using his charity's airplanes to carry equipment to his diamond mines in war-ravaged Congo/Zaire), and Richard Land from the Southern Baptist Convention—has put out the word that they won't touch U.S. government money "with the proverbial ten-foot pole" because of the danger of government "constraints" on their shady activities. In reaction, on March 12, Don Eberly, an official in the F-BCI office, announced that the Administration is "not ready" to send a bill to Congress for funding the program. One day later, Sen. Rick Santorum (R-Pa.), a point-man for the legislation, announced that he is delaying the bill until "next year," when, he thinks, the "bugs" might be worked out.

For Bush to get support back from this loosely allied but powerful coalition, which is able to blackmail Congress, he would have to give them control over the social programs, along the following lines:

- All "Muslim organizations" are to be excluded from the programs, and Islam should be declared a religion of hate.
- A list should be drawn up, of "approved religions" that pass a Justice Department or similar vetting process requiring financial investigation. Groups that the neo-Confederates find "unsavory," such as all Muslims, the Church of Scientology, and the Hare Krishna, should be banned from government approval.
- Instead of direct grants, suggests Pat Robertson, the church programs should become, in effect, a government unto themselves. Donors will pay money to the "approved churches" instead of taxes to the Federal government. In return, donors will get a tax credit that will be used to pay the IRS—a \$1 credit for every \$1 donated.

The Falwell-Robertson-led coalition is a racist pack of "barking dog" religious fanatics,¹ and thinly disguised Ku

1. Anton Chaitkin, "Who Is Wagging Your Neighbor's Tongue? Militias and Pentecostalism as British Subversion," *Who Is Sparking a Religious War in the Middle East?*, *EIR Special Report*, December 2000.

Klux Klan fellow-travellers, who are playing a key role in the fundamentalist religious war being stoked in Jerusalem by the right-wing Zionists who are being brought into the U.S. Defense and State Departments. Jerry Falwell, for example, promotes the “Clash of Civilizations” thesis of Trilateral Commission co-founder Samuel Huntington, which preaches inevitable war between “Islam and the West,” “the countries of the North versus the under-developed South,” and the “dark-skinned populations against the white race.”

The Temple Mount

In an early March interview with the website Beliefnet.com, Falwell made the outrageous demand that believers in Islam be blacklisted from running any social service programs. Falwell’s remarks have been denounced by leading U.S. Muslim groups, but the White House has ignored requests that it distance itself from Falwell.

“I think the Muslim faith teaches hate,” said Falwell. “I think there’s clear evidence that the Islamic religion, wherever it has majority control—and I can name a dozen countries—doesn’t even allow people of other faiths to express themselves or evangelize. . . . I think that when persons [Muslims] are clearly bigoted . . . they should be disqualified from funds. For that reason, Islam should be out the door before they knock. . . . [If] you’re not going to allow freedom of expression . . . you should not be allowed to dip into the pork barrel.”

Falwell, a well-known racist, complains that too many African-Americans are “getting religion,” but not the kind that he controls. “Islam is growing among African-American young people,” he said. “It’s growing in the prisons. *And whenever Islam, God forbid, ever gets a majority in the United States—like Iraq, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Libya, all the Muslim countries—free expression will disappear.*”

Falwell’s anti-Islam rant is not personal; it is a calculated and dangerous foreign policy declaration, made in close collaboration with Israeli murderer turned Prime Minister, Ariel Sharon. Through institutions like the International Christian Embassy, a Christian Zionist cult center in Jerusalem, Falwell is part of the right-wing Israeli/Freemasonic/Protestant conspiracy to launch a terrorist destruction of the Al Haram al Sharif (Temple Mount) Islamic holy places in Jerusalem. In one of his televised sermons, Falwell bellowed his support for the declarations by Sharon’s right-wing Likud party that Jerusalem “belongs to the Jews,” and that Palestinians should be driven out.

The Dark Side of the Moon

Another thorny problem facing George W. in his faith-based folly, is his family’s relationship to the Unification Church cult and its leader Rev. Sun Myung Moon, who has been lavishly praising the Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives. The Unification Church has every

intention of cashing in on the bonanza of Federal funds to run social service programs that they will use to recruit new members. The fact that one of Bush’s first acts as President was to attend a prayer breakfast at the Moon front, the *Washington Times* newspaper, where he announced his faith-based initiative, has alarmed both the Protestant fundies, and Jewish establishment groups such as the American Jewish Committee. The Moon dilemma has caused everyone from Bush adviser Marvin Olasky, the former Communist-turned-radical-Calvinist who invented the term, “compassionate conservatism,” to Sen. Joe Lieberman (D-Conn.), to turn against the Bush plan.

If the Moonies are allowed to “dip into the pork barrel,” argued Rev. Pat Robertson in a *Wall Street Journal* commentary on March 12, then there would be no basis to exclude the Nation of Islam, or the Church of Scientology, or the Hare Krishnas.

But Bush is in no position to cut out the Unification Church. Millions of dollars have gone into Bush family coffers to finance the political aspirations of both Dubya and Jeb Bush, in becoming governors of Texas and Florida, after both suffered political defeats in their early elections. After leaving the White House in 1992, Papa Bush and Barbara Bush were hired to give speeches at Moon events, sharing a podium with Moon, and sometimes his wife. In 1996, Bush appeared with Reverend Moon in Argentina to inaugurate a Moonie newspaper there. “I want to salute Reverend Moon,” said former President Bush, as “the man with vision.”

According to journalist Robert Parry in the on-line publication *The Consortium*, he was told by “one former leader of Moon’s Unification Church” that “the [Moon] organization had earmarked \$10 million for the former President.” Moon also contributes an estimated \$100 million subsidy to the *Washington Times*, the ardent backer of Dubya, which sponsored his Inauguration Week prayer breakfast.

Moon’s intention to participate in the Bush faith-based program is to be expected, given the huge support given to the family. But Bush’s other conservative backers are hollering. In his *Wall Street Journal* article, Robertson accused the Unification Church of using cult practices, and warned that under the current design, Bush’s faith-based initiative is headed for trouble.

The criticism has rattled neo-conservative John DiIulio, Jr., the head of the White House office. At a meeting of the National Association of Evangelicals in Dallas, Texas, DiIulio lashed out at the “predominantly exurban, white evangelical churches,” that are critical of the program and would move to cut off the desperately needed funds to African-American and Hispanic communities in the urban centers. But unlike the KKK Christians, the black and Hispanic churches did not own a huge piece of Bush’s \$100 million war chest, and \$30 million Florida ballot fight. The Office of Faith-Based Initiatives may be closing faster than Bush ever dreamed.