

DRAWING CURTAIN ON RESTROOM MANDATE BRINGS SHOWERS OF BLESSINGS

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Pastors representing one hundred and two congregations (102) in Richland County, Ohio defend Biblical definition of gender by sending correspondence to school officials and State Board of Education advising them to disobey federal government restroom mandate. The pastors' letter is released to the media on August 2nd, 2016 and the following phenomenon is observed in Richland County the next month in August 2016.....

1) Deuteronomy 28: 4 “Blessed shall be the fruit of your body...”

No childhood mortalities reported in August 2016, in Richland County according to Richland Public Health https://www.richlandhealth.org/upload/documents/Births_Deaths/deaths-16_final.pdf and Shelby City Health Department (Phone call 419.347.5131 Friday, 100716)..... In 2011, Richland County infant mortality was 10.16 deaths (children under 1 year old) for every 1,000 live births; vast majority of these deaths involve children dying in their sleep.....The United States has an infant mortality rate of 6.1 per 1,000 live births. However, stacked against other wealthy countries, the nation's rate is abysmal; a study by the Center of Disease Control (CDC) compared the U.S. infant mortality rate with 26 other wealthy European countries. The U.S. was ranked dead last. “Healing Hope: Infant mortality a complex problem locally and nationally,” by Brittany Schock, Richland Source, 90616, http://www.richlandsource.com/news/infant-mortality-a-complex-problem-locally-and-nationally/article_276805ae-6fa6-11e6-ac42-0b58e65d319b.html

2) Deuteronomy 28:6 “Blessed in your coming and goings...”

No motorist fatalities in Richland County for month of August 2016 (WMFD “August 2016 Richland County Traffic Fatalities Update 90116, <http://www.wmfd.com/news/single.asp?story=69684> Richland County has approximately 1,576 miles of roads with 262 miles being Interstate, US, and State Routes, <http://www.rcrpc.org/transportation/roads-and-bridges/> Based on a sixteen year study, August historically has been found to be the deadliest month to drive in the nation: http://www.safemotorist.com/articles/deadliest_days_on_the_road.aspx2015 saw the largest percentage rise in motor vehicle deaths in the past 50 years, according to the National Safety Council. It estimates that last year, 38,300 people were killed on U.S. roads, “2015 Traffic Fatalities Rose By Largest Percent In 50 Years, Safety Group Says,” 21816 by Bill Chappell, NPR, <http://www.npr.org/sections/thetwo-way/2016/02/18/467230965/2015-traffic-fatalities-rose-by-largest-percent-in-50-years-safety-group-says>

3) Deuteronomy 28: 7 “The LORD will cause your enemies who rise against you be defeated before your face they shall come out against you one way and flee before you seven ways....”

Those who oppose GOD and the Bible choose to be the adversaries of GOD. Opponents of GOD have fled Richland County in different directions: after second annual gay pride event, religious freedom opponents originally pledged their group would push for a Mansfield City non-discrimination ordinance adding sexual orientation to protected class, which would marginalize religious freedoms (“Event’s goal is sharing LGBT awareness,” Mansfield News Journal 72116); However, fifteen months later, these activists have yet to approach City Council, likely due to Pastors’ letter to schools opposing transgender mandate. In addition, one of the local gay pride event organizers, a transgender man, publicly stated that his “future is uncertain”, and that he is “thinking of moving to a bigger city, noting it’s hard to find a relationship in Mansfield.” “Moving toward transgender acceptance, by Mark Caudill, Mansfield News Journal 111316, www.mansfieldnewsjournal.com/story//news/local2016/11/13/moving-tward-tramsgemder-acceptance/93553126/ In addition, 2 of 3 pagan psychic stores closed on or around month of August: “Waves of Light,” at 305 East Main Street in Lexington, http://www.richlandsource.com/business/waves-of-light-opens-holistic-store-in-lexington/article_f9f84aec-2816-11e6-b7df-c3ce43c79628.htm closed before Labor Day weekend after owner moved to Florida, and The Hopkey Pagan Store at 390 Orange Street; owner went to jail, “Mansfield man faces federal child porn charge after “trying to set up housemate,” by Emily Dech, 82916, Richland Source http://www.richlandsource.com/news/mansfield-man-faces-federal-child-porn-charge-after-trying-to/article_c7f0d4a2-6ded-11e6-b19a-377263e70b50.html this is significant considering there are six paranormal locations in Richland County, Ohio according to the Mansfield Convention and Visitor’s Bureau <http://www.mansfieldtourism.com/what-to-do/haunted-mansfield-> and there is also an annual Metaphysical Expo , “9th Annual Divine Heart Expo Held,” by Kaylie Spotts of WMFD News, 101616 <http://www.wmfd.com/news/single.asp?story=70123>

4) Deuteronomy 28:10 “Then all peoples of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the LORD...”

Media exposure of Pastors’ correspondence from: the following national and international media outlets:

The USA Today: <http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation-now/2016/08/03/100-pastors-tell-ohio-schools-ignore-transgender-bathroom-mandate/87996882/> ..**The Christian Post:**

<http://www.christianpost.com/news/100-pastors-ohio-school-officials-ignore-obamas-transgender-bathroom-directive-167565/> ...**World Religion News:** <http://www.worldreligionnews.com/issues/100-ohio-pastors-urge-schools-to-ignore-transgender-bathroom-mandate> ...**World Net Daily:** <http://www.wnd.com/2016/08/judge-blocks-obamas-transgenders-schools-mandate/> ...**The Independent from the United Kingdom:**

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/supreme-court-blocks-transgender-bathroom-ruling-everything-you-need-to-know-a7172596.htm>

See also: **Louisville Courier Journal:** <http://www.courier-journal.com/story/news/politics/2016/08/03/supreme-court-transgender-bathrooms-virginia/88037966/>

5) Deuteronomy 28:12: “The LORD will open to you His good treasure, the heavens, to give the rain to your land in its due season...”

In August of 2016, Mansfield Ohio received 3.5 inches of rain during a moderate drought. According to National Weather Service (NWS), the drought commenced inside Richland County the week of July 12, 2016 and ended the week of September 27, 2016 for a total of twelve weeks, <http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/MapsAndData/MapArchive.aspx>According to NWS John Hopkins Airport Branch, July 2016 was the ninth driest on record, and the tenth warmest on record. In Richland County, the sweltering heat of August 2016 made it the second warmest August in history (email correspondence: nwscl@noaa.gov 102916 at 11:28 AM, 216.265.2370, Lori contact) Despite this, the area still received significant rainfall

6) Deuteronomy 28:11: “The LORD will grant you plenty of goods, in the produce of your ground....”

“Although a moderate drought in the middle of the summer stunted growth of many of the plants, a series of rains in late August seems to have saved the harvest from complete disaster.” (“Harvest smaller after drought,” Mansfield News Journal, 90716), “To the relief of many Ohio farmers, the heavens opened in the third week of August...’that saved us Crawford County farmer Greg Lutz said. ”“Harvest season outgrows expectations,” by Zach Tuggle, Mansfield News Journal 101216).....in a survey of nine farms spanning eight different townships in Richland County findings include: “In seventy-four years of farming, I have never had eighty bushels of soybeans an acre like I did in 2016,” says Bill Ramsey of Adario Road (Field interview 102317) “I was pleasantly surprised with the good yields; corn was way better than we thought,” says John McCarron of Amoy Ganges Road. (Phone Interview 102716) “Ivan Zimmerman of Rome Greenwich Road reported that this year to his surprise, he harvested a robust seventy-five bushels of soybean an acre, which is his biggest bumper crop in his twenty years of farming. Similarly, Ivan averages four cuts of hay during the growing season, but this year he had five cuts of hay. “The rain came at the perfect time in August and produced a great yield,” Ivan says (Phone interview 102616)..... Ken Burrer of Kaster Road said he had an excellent year for alfalfa hay with four cuts (Phone Interview 102716)..... Robert McConckie of Stouffer Road reported “Harvest way better than thought; turned out wonderful, couldn’t believe it. The beans were big” he said laughing. “One field had sixty bushels an acre yield; another field did even better than that.” (Phone interview 101816).....A survey of two local beekeepers: Beekeeper educator Dave Duncan, who has sixty-five area hives stated that this past summer’s bee season was the best in a decade; he collected thirty-three swarms this past year (Phone interview 102516) Swarming is the reproduction of new honey bee colonies) Hager Hicks, President of the local Beekeeper’s Association of State Route 598, collected thirteen swarms and had the best watermelon harvest he has ever had. In 2014, Hager lost all ten of his hives to colony collapse disorder. (Phone interview 102816)

7) Deuteronomy 28:4 “Blessed shall be the increase of your herds, the increase of your cattle....”

Theoretically, August is one of the hottest months of the year; therefore, dairy cows historically produce the least amount of milk in August due to heat stress. According to U.S. Department of Agriculture marketing report, August 2016, Richland County dairy cows produced 11,464,034 pounds of milk,

<http://www.fmmaclev.com/Statistical%20Summary/State%20&%20County/2016/aug%202016%20State%20and%20County.pdf> which was a 43% increase in milk produced compared to last year’s 7,994,197 pounds

<http://www.fmmaclev.com/Statistical%20Summary/State%20&%20County/2015/Aug%202015%20State%20and%20County.pdf> This is a staggering total considering August 2016 was the second hottest August in Richland County history!