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**NEW NSA APPOINTED**

It might as well be simply mere coincidence, but barely a few weeks after daring to point out people behind Boko Haram, (see vol 15 no 2) General Patrick Azazi was on June 22 relieved of his job as the National Security Adviser. Also sacked on the same date was the Defence Minister, Haliru Bello.

 In as much it is our duty, both as christians and as patriots, to continue to lift up the President and the new NSA (Col Sambo Dasuki, rtd) up in prayers in their arduous task of directing the safety apparatus of the country, we are nevertheless concerned that one of the key+ strategies of Col Dasuki seemingly was that there should be less reporting of the dastard terror acts. Not just that such reports further heighten tension in the land, the new NSA actually said the reports are often exaggerated.

 Exaggerated?

 Within two weeks of the new NSA however, terrorism reached a new level, when in a shocking brazen move, “terrorists numbering over 400 carried out a well-planned attack on the quiet people of Gashish district in Barakin Ladi local government area of Plateau State”. Everybody is shy to state any number for people killed, but apart for some 63 that were given mass burial the next day, “No fewer than 50 people were [further] discovered burnt in the house of a pastor of the Church of Christ in Nigeria in Matse village.” [www.zimbio.com/Nigeria+Crimes+News/articles/ZCauqMEfmMm/MASS+BURIAL+63+GUNMEN+OPEN+FIRE+MOURNERS+JOS](http://www.zimbio.com/Nigeria%2BCrimes%2BNews/articles/ZCauqMEfmMm/MASS%2BBURIAL%2B63%2BGUNMEN%2BOPEN%2BFIRE%2BMOURNERS%2BJOS)

 More deaths were recorded when the same gunmen, displaying absolute impunity towards state security, again invaded the mass burial service causing further mayhems leading to the deaths of a serving senator (Senator Gyang Datong) and the Majority Leader in the state House of Assembly (Gyang Fulani) – among others. The question is: is it really possible to “exaggerate” such terrible seemingly endless senseless killings?

 As at press time, government is still trying to seek approval from local muslims before they could go after the hordes of the Fulani killers, reported to have been recruited from neighbouring countries, and whose operational base has been located.

 We can only pray that the Lord in His mercy will bless the President’s preferred attitude to dealing with these very costly terrorist runs in the land. Dropping a clear hint as to why his boss was removed, Mr Mike Awe, media spokesman to Patrick Azazi said: 🡺 The President is under political pressure and not everything is classified and made public. When NSA asked that Buhari be invited for questioning, Jonathan kicked against it. When he suggested that some people be brought in and questioned, he kicked against it saying it is a ploy to scatter his government.” (<http://thenigerianoracle.com/2012/06/24/gej-is-afraid-of-buhari-azazi/#more-1099>)

**Chris Okotie and the marriage institution**

Rev Chris Okotie is in the news again. After a burst of the usual excitement and fun at the Sunday service at the Household of God on June 24, Okotie calmly announced that he and his latest wife had separated, irreversibly. According to the report, many were shocked at the announcement, indicating there were no visible signs of strains in the relationship. At CA! we are very reluctant to comment on this development lest someone gets the impression that we are kicking a man already on the ground – noting we had written briefly but poignantly and critically on the relationship when it was announced four years ago (http://churcharise.blogspot.com/2008/02/chris-okotie-unveils-new-wife-to-church.html).

 However reading Stephanie Henshaw’s facebook journal on the situation makes it clear that the issue is not just that of a private couple passing through trying times, but rather the continued and increasing abuse of God’s holy gift of matrimony in our society; and the consequent, inevitable fruits of gall being delivered to people who actually wished for a different outcome. Whereas the Scripture is quite clear on the fact that God is not mocked; and everyone must reap exactly what they sowed!. (Read the rest of this article on our blog at <http://churcharise.blogspot.com/2012/09/chris-okotie-and-marriage-institution.html>)

**Much Ado About A Church Building**

How many mansions have been built for Nigerian politicians by building contractors over the decades? From Minna, to Abuja, to Lagos, the landscape is littered with such donations. And what moslem mansion is ever complete without the mandatory mosque!

 Yet for all these mansions and mosques built and donated to individuals, never had we have national dailies filling both front and back pages (see eg The Punch, April 5, 2012) with sharp, derogatory commentaries – day after day – on any of such donations. Read the rest of this article at http://churcharise.blogspot.com/2012/05/much-ado-about-church-building.html

**GlaxoSmithKline LLC admits to Health Fraud**Remember the infamous case in Kano, where the pharmaceutical giant Pfizer eventually conceded that her supposed drug assistance to children suffering from meningitis was actually self-serving, and the children, deprived of available better-proven option, were actually used as guinea pigs for money-making scientific experiment.(see Vol 4 no 6, 2001)? Well things have not changed one bit, unfortunately!

 Another pharmaceutical giant - GlaxoSmithKline LLC will, on July 2, be paying $3 billion fine as well as plead guilty to promoting two popular drugs for unapproved uses and to failing to disclose important safety information on a third. Reportedly this will be the largest health care fraud settlement in U.S. history, but it’s only peanuts compared with the profits made by this British firm, over the ten year period or so, that it has been playing commerce with people’s health. An article in the New York Times went ahead to detail several cases of false claims, suppression of unfavourable safety data, attempts to buy over doctors, collusion to publish misreported data in medical journals, etc Drugs involved in current fraudulent practices include Paxil which is actively being promoted for use among children despite known facts that it might increase the risk of suicidal thoughts in teenagers, Avandia (which is linked to heart risks), and so on, and so on.

These frauds were uncovered under a whistleblower scheme, whereby insiders who report frauds being committed by their establishment could get paid by the government, part of the fines imposed on such establishments. If all these abominations are happening in an enlightened and open country as the USA, and if it takes special arrangements as whistleblower deals to get them exposed, one can easily imagine what could be the drug situation in a country like Nigeria. Remember, this is not a case of fake drug now (where NAFDAC is doing a fantastic job); but the original pharmaceutical company itself is the one playing the big-time criminal. (See www/nytimes.com/2012/07/03/business/glaxosmithkline-agrees-to-pay-3-billion-in-fraud-settlement.html?\_r=1&pagewanted=all)

**Strange Shameful Conclusions as Egyptian authorities close Maspero Murders Investigations**

Remember the Masparo slaughter of Coptic Christians by the Egyptian military on Oct 9 2011? (see CA! Vol 14 No 6). Well, the panel of judges appointed by the government to investigate has now concluded its assignments. And the verdict: The culprits could not be identified, so the case has to be closed. To give an impression of fairness to both Copts and the muslim military killers, charges against 28 christian copts (arrested randomly from the streets and from their homes) were also dropped – together with that against prominent Muslim activist Alaa Abdel-Fattah.

 On the other hand, at least one machine gun used to shoot down people indiscriminately at Maspero was clearly that of the military. Culprits identified then? Please don’t jump to conclusions! It is the opinion of Judge Sarwat Hammad that it was actually two Copts, Michael Adel Naguib and Michael Shaker, who stole the heavy-duty machine gun from one of the military armored vehicles, thereafter "using it to kill Copts" during the protest. So the Panel of judges in closing the case nevertheless recommends that the two Michaels be prosecuted in criminal court for stealing military equipment and using it to kill their own kiths and kins!

There is yet more to come! Since several videos of the killings actually exist showing military armored vehicles pursuing copts all over the place and crushing them to death (14 died in this way), it really can’t be denied who was driving those armored vehicles. To satisfy this aspect of the story, three soldiers assigned to those vehicles were recommended for trial - in a military court, and on the charges of involuntary manslaughter. This suggests that the soldiers had problems controlling the vehicles and did not actually mean to kill as they furiously rode forth and back straight into the crowd, crushing bones and limbs all over the place. The maximum penalty for such an offence is seven years imprisonment. It is regarded only as a misdeameanor and is under the Penal, rather than the Criminal Code. When the military trial eventually kicked off, such was the blatant bias that the lawyers representing the Maspero victims and prominent human rights organizations on April 12 decided it was best they simply quit the trial.

Mary Daniel, sister of Coptic activist Mina Daniel, who was killed at Maspero by a sniper's bullet, said that she expected this outcome for the case. "You can expect anything from whoever kills with such brutality. This case is being handled by the killer [the state] and of course it would be impossible for the killer to condemn himself." Sarcastically, Mary said the ruling "proved" that armored vehicles which crushed the protesters "killed them by mistake," and that those who were shot were the "Coptic protesters killing each other." <http://www.aina.org/news/20120427193443.htm>

**Muslim persecution of Christians world-wide intensifies.**

The persecution and martyrdom of Christians is reaching such a crescendo that many are considering this a clear sign on its own, of the imminence of the blessed Rapture of the Church. 🡺 (cont’d overleaf)

 In Azerbaijan, the country’s “harsh new Religion Law” of 2009 is being implemented with sadistic force and precision. The latest casualty is the Greater Grace Protestant Church in the capital, Baku. On April 25, in a 15-minute sham trial at which no church representatives was present, the Church "was stripped of its registration”, which now makes any activity by the church illegal and subject to punishment."

 Even though such decisions proscribing church activities are lightly made, the enforcement is usually anything but light. In most cases, the enemies of the church don’t wait for the government to enforce the pronouncement – they have their private militias on standby for deployment! For instance in **Indonesia,** Islamic gunmen on March 16 [opened fire on the GKI Yasmin church](http://barnabasfund.org/US/News/Archives/Gunmen-fire-on-Indonesian-church-building-in-latest-attack.html), causing much damage as some worshippers attempted to defy the illegal sealing of the Church – ongoing since 2008. The issue of continued illegal closure has been taken to the Constitutional Court. In another Protestant church in the same country, despite meeting all requirements for a permit, the authorities caved in to demands from Moslems and pronounced church activities proscribed. When the church attempted to hold a service on the street in front of their sealed-off church building, “Muslim residents made death threats, played loud music, and even rode a motorcycle through the congregation.” The police are playing blind to all the harassments.

 Situations are however much more grievous in a place like Sudan. Why merely seal off a Church building when it can be pulled down? According to a report by Compass Direct: “A Christian compound in Khartoum was stormed by a throng of Muslims "armed with clubs, iron rods, a bulldozer and fire," the day after a [Muslim leader called on Muslims to destroy "the infidels' church."](http://www.compassdirect.org/english/country/sudan/article_1519092.html) Shouting "*Allahu Akbar*" and "No more Christianity from today on—no more church from today on," the jihadists stormed the Bible school bookstore, burning Bibles and threatening to kill anyone resisting them. "What happened could not be imagined—it was terrible," said an eyewitness. "They burned all furniture of the school and the church as well." As usual, "Police at the compound stood back and did nothing to prevent the mob from vandalizing the compound." (http://www.compassdirect.org/english/country/sudan/article\_1519092.html)

 Similarly from Incredible India came the report that Muslims, on March 30, stormed and terrorized a home where a Christian prayer meeting was being held. They beat up the Christians, including a 65-year-old widow and  ["called them pagans as they kicked, slapped and pushed the Christians](http://www.compassdirect.org/english/country/india/article_1503416.html)…. The Christians were running in all directions for their lives, including the children who were crying in fear," even as one Muslim, "brandishing a sickle, chased many of them, hurling all kinds of insults and attempting to murder them all…. 500 Muslims had gathered and were watching in amusement as the extremists chased and harassed the Christians for about 90 minutes." ([www.compassdirect.org/english/country/india/article\_1503416.html](http://www.compassdirect.org/english/country/india/article_1503416.html))

 Of course things could be much worse than all the above. For instance about the same time the above stories were playing out in the different nations cited, a Muslim man pretending to be a worshipper nervously joined the worship at the God’s House of Miracles International Church in Nairobi, Kenya. In the midst of the service, he lobbed three hand grenades into the congregation, and fired gunshots into the air as he took off. Only one of the three grenades exploded but it was enough to terminate the life of Kelvin Walumba, a 27 year old University student, while injuring 16 others, 4 of them critically. ([www.compassdirect.org/english/country/kenya/article\_1522556.html](http://www.compassdirect.org/english/country/kenya/article_1522556.html)).

 **From Mali** comes the report that muslim militants are running amok. A Christian leader was beheaded and many others are being similarly threatened. Sharia law has been imposed, churches are being destroyed, and Christians are fleeing Timbuktu en masse.

 **In the Phillipines**, two pastors were recently reported slaughtered in their homes by Muslim assailants. Though a predominantly Christian nation, where "Muslim fundamentalists are trying to build an Islamic state.” in the southern part of the country, According to the CBN, in the first half of this year alone, at least four house churches closed down after their pastors and lay leaders were killed by Muslim extremists." [www.cbn.com/cbnnews/world/2012/March/Philippines-Pastors-Face-Death-for-Ministry-to-Muslims/](http://www.cbn.com/cbnnews/world/2012/March/Philippines-Pastors-Face-Death-for-Ministry-to-Muslims/)

**In Spain, Islamists torture and murder fellow muslims for abandoning radical islam**

Not even moslems are safe from Islamic terrorism. Two Islamists, Rachid Mohamed Abdellah (25) and Nabil Mohamed Chaib (30), have been arrested in Spain on charges of torturing and murdering two fellow Muslims for "abandoning radical Islam." Police say the murders were meted out according to Islamic Sharia law, which calls for the killing of "infidels." Read the rest of this story on our blog at <http://churcharise.blogspot.com/2012/09/in-spain-islamists-torture-and-murder.html>

**Apostasy and Blasphemy Charges**

Probably the most severe threat hanging on Christians in moslem lands is that contained in the Apostasy and Blasphemy laws. As we have reported on the pages of Church Arise! in the past, a heated discussion with a moslem, a Christian lady rejecting the proposal of a Moslem suitor, or a Christian creditor demanding a Moslem pays off his debt, are some of several types of social altercations that have led to the gruesome killing of many a Christian. All an aggrieved moslem has to do (and have done, repeatedly) in such situations is simply cry out that the Christian has somehow blasphemed the Islamic prophet. Of course encouraging a moslem to respond to Jesus’ invitation to come and have all their burdens dealt with (Mat 11:28) is the greatest of all offense in the moslem world. Both the preacher and the convert are swiftly lynched by Islamic faithful, under the provisons of the Apostasy laws of the Koran. We present a few recent reported cases to confirm that these things are still very much with us even today.

**Algeria:** A Christian was [sentenced to five years in prison for "shaking the faith" of Muslims](http://www.mnnonline.org/article/17105). He had discussed his faith with a Muslim man at a food court when the Muslim became angry and accused the Christian of "insulting Muhammad." The man was subsequently arrested by the Police and the judge duly sentenced him to the maximum sentence of 5 years imprisonment, even though the prosecutor himself had recommended a lesser sentence.

**In Egypt** as the Muslim Brotherhood garners more clout, Christians are already reeling under the impacts of Shariah law informally being applied with impunity. In one incident, a Christian teenager was sentenced to three years for allegedly "insulting Islam” by posting unflattering cartoons of Muhammad on Facebook. <http://www.compassdirect.org/english/country/egypt/article_1497614.html>. At about the same time in the same country, another judge [upheld a six-year prison sentence for a Christian convicted of "blasphemy"](http://www.compassdirect.org/english/country/egypt/article_1520392.html). Makarem Diab had countered a derogatory remark hurled on the Lord Jesus by a Moslem , reminding the fellow "that Muhammad, the founder of the Islamic religion, had more than four wives—a view commonly held by Islamic scholars." Police however arrested him when the case was reported 11 days later. Thereafter, in a 10-minute mock trial with no defense attorney present, the judge sentenced him to six years in prison for "insulting the prophet." One would have thought it’s all a joke, but Diab’s appeal was thrown away and unless a miracle happens, he is on his way to jail! It was clear the judges were terrified of what Islamists would do, should they give a different judgement.

([www.compassdirect.org/english/country/egypt/article\_1520392.html](http://www.compassdirect.org/english/country/egypt/article_1520392.html)).

 Indeed as the Muslim Brotherhood consolidates its hold on power, there are reports that some outspoken critics of President Morsi were “crucified…. naked on trees in front of the presidential palace”. Christians know that if such a practice is eventually established in Egypt, they, more than any other group, would be mostly at the receiving end,
 Raymond Ibrahim, a fellow with the Middle East Forum and the Investigative Project on Terrorism, said the crucifixions are the product of people who the Middle Eastern media call “partisans.” See further details at <http://www.wnd.com/2012/08/arab-spring-run-amok-brotherhood-starts-crucifixions/>, including responses to initial attempts by some Islamic apologists to put down this horrific development as mere rumours.

**In Iran,** Pastor Farshid Fathi Malayeri has now been sentenced to six years imprisonment by state authorities. Arrested since December 2010, he has refused every intreaty that he should return to Islam. Farshid was sentenced in 5 March to six years in prison. His lawyer is expected to lodge an appeal against the sentence.

<http://barnabasfund.org/US/News/Archives/Christian-convert-jailed-for-six-years-in-Iran-another-set-free.html>

 And finally, **in Tunisia** a Muslim burst into a church to deliver a letter from an Islamist party inviting the archpriest to convert to Islam or to [take down the church's crosses and pay jizya](http://araborthodoxy.blogspot.com/2012/04/further-vandalism-of-orthodox-church-in.html), Big deal. In Nigeria, even the President was requested by Islamists to either convert to Islam or resign!

**Back from the Lions’ Den**

On a positive note, 35 Christian Ethiopians imprisoned in Saudi Arabia have been freed after months of being held by the authorities there. The 35 Ethiopians were [imprisoned last December 17](http://onenewsnow.com/Persecution/Default.aspx?id=1502222) for conducting a prayer meeting in a private home. The International Christian Concern which organized a sustained international campaign was a major instrument used by God to secure the release of these Ethiopian brethren.

 "We understand that the Saudis assaulted, harassed, and pressured the Christians to convert to Islam during the time of their incarceration," says [International Christian Concern](http://persecution.org)'s Jonathan Racho. According to Racho, the female prisoners were especially mistreated and humiliated. In all, the Lord sustained these brethren in their faith and today they are out of the nets.

 Likewise Iranian authorities quite unexpectedly released Fariborz Azarm, a Christian from Rabat Karim, from prison on 11 April, having spent six months behind bars. He had been arrested by plainclothes state security agents during the early hours of 17 October 2011 and taken to an unknown location. Fariborz (44), who is married with two children, was denied access to his family for most of his time in prison.

(http://barnabasfund.org/US/News/Archives/Christian-convert-jailed-for-six-years-in-Iran-another-set-free.html

**Strange world of Islamists – sodomy, sex-slaves, endorsed by religious faithfuls**

 Sodomy for the sake of the jihad, sex-slaves to provide a technical way to side-track the quoran, and plain general sexual debaucheries when no one is looking are recent issues that should bother most muslims who consider these concepts as disgusting.

**First, the case of sodomy-for–the- sake –of-jihad….**

More light is being thrown in the 2009 attempt by a suicide bomber, Abdulla Hassan al-Asiri to assassinate Saudi Prince Muhammad bin Nayef. In that failed bid, al-Asiri had loaded one pound of PETN plastic explosives in his anus. As shown by Raymond Ibrahim , an Islamic cleric named Abu al-Dema al-Qasab had introduced a number of young wanna-be Jihadis to the innovative possibilities of hiding explosives inside the anus for “martyrdom operations”. However, to facilitate this, the anus needed to be widened. Sodomy to the rescue!

 When the young jihadis asked for formal fatwas from Sheik al-Qasab to confirm they would still qualify for their 70 virgins if they engaged in homosexuality before their “martyrdom operation”, he obliged with one. Raymond Ibrahim gives the details: “After praising Allah, the sheikh's fatwa began by declaring that sodomy is forbidden in Islam. However, jihad comes first, for it is the pinnacle of Islam, and if the pinnacle of Islam can only be achieved through sodomy, then there is no wrong in it.”

 The cleric further backed up this stupendous statement with two principles which Christians will do well to note. He said:

“For the overarching rule of [Islamic] jurisprudence asserts that 'necessity makes permissible the prohibited.' And if obligatory matters can only be achieved by performing the prohibited, then it becomes obligatory to perform the prohibited, and there is no greater duty than jihad. After he sodomizes you, you must ask Allah for forgiveness and praise him all the more. And know that Allah will reward the jihadis on the Day of Resurrection, according to their intentions—and your intention, Allah willing, is for the victory of Islam, and we ask that Allah accept it of you”

 For details see [www.raymondibrahim.com/11985/sodomy-for-the-sake-of-islam](http://www.raymondibrahim.com/11985/sodomy-for-the-sake-of-islam); and also <http://www.jihadwatch.org/2012/07/sodomy-jihad-fatwa-strange-and-disgusting-but-true.html> for Raymond’s answer to those who tried to discredit the report as inaccurate.

 How come people could be so confused in their spirituality? Whereas the Bible warns, “How can we say let’s do evil so that good may come, God forbid!” (Rom 3:8, paraphrase); and “Don’t be overcome with evil, rather overcome evil with good” (Rom 12:21). Christians who advocate interfaithism should think twice and understand what exactly they are calling for. Indeed they themselves are practicing a form of the “do minor evil to achieve greater good” doctrine!

Furthermore**,** are these not pointers to the fact that the ssin question is beyond mere religion or rhetoric? Moslem or Christian or whatever spirituality you claim, if the lust-sin question has not been settled in your life, then you surely should know you have a big problem that could easily lock the door of heaven against you. Only Jesus can save you from your sins – that’s exactly why He came (Mat. 1:21)!

**…..And then the advocacy for Sex Slave Marriage**

As reported by Raymond Ibrahim, On Monday July 2, Wael al-Ibrashi had a special guest on his Egyptian TV show Al Haqiqa ("the Truth"). The guest was Abd al-Rauf Awn, a man who had just “married” his “slave” and has come on air to justify and promote such sex slave marriage for other Islamic faithfuls.

 A video-clip of the marriage showed the woman kissing his groom and telling him, in front of an applauding audience: “I enslave myself to you” rather than the customary “I marry myself to you” Thereafter, the new owner-husband commanded the slave-bride to remove her hijab, declaring her forbidden from such trappings, lest she break Allah’s laws! The video-clip can be viewed at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FHrUDAVn--s&feature=related&noredirect=1>

 On the show, Abd al-Rauf Awn, identified himself as an Islamic scholar and expert at Islamic jurisprudence who had studied at Al Azhar. He gave several Islamic explanations to justify his "marriage," including citing Islamic prophet Muhammad's "sunna" or practice of "marrying" enslaved captive women. He further justified the stripping of his sex-slave of her hijab. Citing Islamic jurisprudence and Caliph Omar, al-Rauf Awn claimed thatwhereas the free (Muslim) woman is mandated to be veiled behind a hijab, sex-slaves are mandated only to be covered from the navel to the knees--with everything else exposed.

 Thereafter, Awn explained that sex-slave marriage is ideal for today's Egyptian society. Male Islamic faithfuls, he argued, don’t have to waste their prime trying to amass enough money to marry a woman officially as they could easily buy a slave; while the female faithful who is bought would be excused from wearing the Hijab – which Awn says many Egyptian women don’t want to wear in public. (Read the rest of this story on our blog <http://churcharise.blogspot.com/2012/09/>)

**“Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?”**

 **1 John 5:5**

**World's First Genetically Modified Babies Born**

The arrival of the world's first genetically modified humans has been announced. According to Daily Mail (UK) of June 28, “The disclosure that 30 healthy babies were born after a series of experiments in the United States” was made a day earlier

Fifteen of the children were born in the past three years as a result of an experimental programme where women who had problems conceiving had extra genes from a female donor inserted into their eggs before they were fertilized. So far, two of children conceived through this method have been confirmed to carry DNA materials from three parents --two women and one man.

 Now since these babies in future will also be able to pass the extra genes into their own children, it means that effectively the human ‘germline’ is being altered; and the dream of scientific fiction enthusiasts to create new races of humans with extra desired characteristics is virtually around the corner. The ethical barrier seems to now have been crossed. Reporting their weird work in the journal Human Reproduction, Prof Jacques Cohen, stated that “this 'is the first case of human germline genetic modification resulting in normal healthy children'.

Professor Cohen had earlier claimed that he now has the expertise that would allow him to clone children – in which case, the baby will come from only one parent and would therefore reflect that parent in every way. Claiming to have been approached by ‘at least three’ individuals with request for cloning, Prof Cohen boasted that 'It would be an afternoon's work for one of my students;' but so far, he claims, he had turned down all the requests.

With genetic manipulation of humans going on with apparent little concern, not to talk of outrage by the public, little wonder that no one is batting any eye concerning the genetic monsters being made of crops and animals? A recent cogent review of these alarming developments is published at <http://endoftheamericandream.com/archives/they-are-turning-our-crops-animals-and-even-our-babies-into-freakish-genetic-monsters-what-could-go-wrong>. The article began with the highly significant statement: “The greatest environmental threat that we are facing is genetic modification”.

**U.S. Military Developing Spychips For Soldiers, Lightning zapper for enemies**

One of the tempting applications of genetic modifications mentioned in the previous article is in the making of superhuman soldiers - excelling in strength, speed, endurance etc, as well as possessing abilities for telepathic communication. The US Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) is actually allowing glints of its many esoteric researches along this direction to come public - indicating they are already done-deals (see [www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-2187276/U-S-Army-Soldiers-able-run-Olympic-speed-wont-need-food-sleep-gene-technology.html](http://www.dailymail.co.uk/sciencetech/article-2187276/U-S-Army-Soldiers-able-run-Olympic-speed-wont-need-food-sleep-gene-technology.html)). The folly of it all however, is that just like the case of atomic weapons, no one nation can keep such capabilities to itself alone; and at the end of the day, it will just be a question of super-soldiers from one nation meeting super-soldiers from enemy nations. The only difference at the end of the day would be that we, the original humans, will be the grand losers!

 Now, apart from outright genetic modification, the same superhuman soldier dream can also be achieved via microchip implants. Currently, what is being offered are so-called nanosensors which can help “monitor the health of soldiers on battlefields and immediately respond to needs”. But we all know where the whole enterprise is headed for. First, the ‘nanosensors’ will evolve to one of the Multi Micro Electrode Arrays being developed by US DARPA which apart from monitoring physiological parameters could delve into mind control and more , (see CA! Vol 11 No 4). Simultaneously also, the technology will be extended to everyone on the planet. For instance as we have previously reported at various times, COMPULSORY chip implants have been proposed for immigrants into the US, refugees in UN-operated refugee camps in Africa, pilgrims to Saudi Arabia, HIV carriers in Indonesia’s Papua New Guinea, Soldiers and Alzheimer’s patients in the US, and in the UK, autistic children, Prisoners, and Policemen (see Vol 12 No 5 for references)

 As Katherine Albrecht, of “Spychips” fame clearly puts it, mandatory chipping for all will necessarily come in a series of steps. “It’s never going to happen that the government at gunpoint says, ‘You’re going to have a tracking chip,’” she cautioned . “It’s always in incremental steps. If you can put a microchip in someone that doesn’t track them … everybody looks and says, ‘Come on,’” she said. “It’ll be interesting seeing where we go.”

**Lightning Zapper**

On a similar note, the US army has announced the successful testing its new technology allowing lightning to be sent to specific targets, using laser technology.

 Unlike the Norse god, Thor who remains largely a myth, many of Yoruba ancestry will vouch for the potency of Sango to zap opponents with lightning. As we showed in a previous article during the 8th All African Games (COJA) hosted in Nigeria, spiritually harnessing the power of Sango in this way, like every other deal with spiritual forces, however has associated consequences - unfortunately only written in fine prints. At the Abuja COJA games for instance, after a splendid performance conjuring the forces of Sango to light the games cauldron, Sango struck two hours to the closing of the game, tearing down the Velodrome in a move that scared even the construction giant Julius Berger out of its wits (see CA! Volume 7 no 1).

 Now, the US Army is bringing such lightning-zapping capacity into the realm of cold, calculating and repeatable Science. For details of how a tremendous pulse of electrical energy can be channeled through a Laser-Induced plasma to specific targets of interest, see [www.theblaze.com](http://www.theblaze.com).

**In Conclusion**

Considering technologies such as those cited here among several others, Ray Kurzweil predicts the end of the world – as we know it, within 20 years (of 2005). Describing his best seller, The Singularity is Here, he wrote: "I and many other scientists now believe that in around 20 years we will have the means to reprogramme our bodies' stone-age software so we can halt, then reverse, aging,….Then nanotechnology will let us live for ever. Ultimately, nanobots will replace blood cells and do their work thousands of times more effectively."

 At least that’s one thing Science, the various new age spiritualities, and Christianity all perfectly agree upon: the end of this world is at hand, and immortality and eternity is just at the corner. How prepared are you for these sure event, and how/where will you spend all of eternity?

# New Use for Aborted human fetuses: Chinese Miracle Pills!

 South Korean customs officials have reported the confiscation of thousands of pills filled with powdered human flesh – believed to be smuggled in from China. The capsules are in huge demand because they are viewed as being a medicinal 'cure-all'. In particular they supposedly boost stamina and rejuvenate the body.

 The raw materials for the pills are babies who are aborted or delivered still-born. UK’s Daily Mail describes the sickening manufacturing process: “The tiny corpses are… bought, stored in household refrigerators in homes of those involved in the trade before they are removed and taken to clinics where they are placed in medical drying microwaves. Once the skin is tinder dry, it is pummelled into powder and then processed into capsules along with herbs to disguise the true ingredients.” Even hardened Korean customs agents were reportedly shocked at the discoveries. Read the rest of this story on our blog at <http://churcharise.blogspot.com/2012/09/new-use-for-aborted-human-fetuses.html>

**Grant Jeffrey now in Christ’s presence**

Grant Jeffrey, an internationally respected author and biblical teacher of prophecy/ eschatology as well as biblical archeology went to be with His Lord on Friday, May 11. He was aged 63.

 According to Terry of RaptureReady, “Grant was one of the sharpest minds in eschatology… He was prolific in every sense, from research to writing books and other materials–from broadcasts in TV and radio to lectures on stage at the hundreds of prophecy forums at which he spoke. He was a powerful force for the Pre-Trib view of Bible prophecy and the spread of the Gospel of Jesus Christ everywhere he went.”

 Church Arise! joins millions of admirers to thank God for the fine Christian legacies of this iconic end-time watchman. For Dr Grant Reid Jeffrey, the mission has ended. Now rest has come.

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in the EU be traded off for economic and social stability.

 For now, the reverse seems to be the case, as indicated by the election results from France and Greece (see

 <http://theeconomiccollapseblog.com/archives/the-countdown-to-the-break-up-of-the-euro-has-officially-begun>). However, the German weekly magazine, der Spiegel, has also realized that these economic troubles could well be the pressure that would eventually draw EU members into closer political union – the kind envisaged by Daniel 2. Spiegel quotes the German chancellor as saying: “"We need a political union..That means we have to give up further competencies to Europe, step by step, in an ongoing process." (<http://www.spiegel.de/international/europe/germany-considers-holding-eu-referendum-a-849441.html>).

The head of that Union, with which other similar unions from the other regions of the world (Africa, North America, Middle East, etc) will confederate to form a global government, will be the anti-christ (Rev 17:17). The current socio-economic rumbles especially in Europe may therefore be mere opportunity for the emergence of this central charismatic and powerful political figure. According to Rev 17:17, Satan’s calculations will coincide exactly with God’s for a brief period of time as all nations agree to surrender their political authority to the anti-christ – until God’s counsel is fulfilled. So watch out for the rumbles in Europe: these are very clear indicators that the antichrist is right at the corner!

**“And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, *but* it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever. “ Daniel 2:44**

**TOPICAL ISSUE: Euro, Europeans at the Breaking Point**

 Biblical prophecies, especially from the book of Daniel, make it quite clear that the last man-made global government on the planet is to be centred around the old Roman empire, revived. This, clearly, is the European Union. Hence, developments around that Union have always been interpreted in end-times terms, since the signing of the Treaties of Rome in 1957.

 The current economic rumblings in that Union (particularly the Greek, Spanish and Italian problems) are therefore quite significant. Even the most optimistic analysts (of the mould of Germany’s Angela Merkel) cautiously admit that the possibility of a break-up exists, beginning with a Greek pull-out from the Euro currency.

Indeed, some analysts believe that the eventual catastrophic rupture of the Union may well come from social unrest, rather than from the financial market. Todd of www.RaptureReady.com, cites some hard data to support this possibility:

* The unemployment rate for those between the ages of 16 and 24 is 28 percent in Italy
* In Greece, 25 percent of all retail stores have been permanently shut down;
* The number of suicides in Greece rose by 40 percent in just one year

However, what the Bible says will happen is the Union coming even much closer politically, rather than disintegrating at this point. We expect the EU to survive, even while tottering with its iron-clay mixture, until at the time appointed by the Father, a stone cut without human hands will strike this last of all human global governments to usher in the eternal reign of the Lord Jesus Christ.(see Daniel 2:31-45).

 In other words, we can boldly predict that the current problems in the EU will eventually find a political solution, one that will require that the little

national sovereignties left within the countries 🡺 p7

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**EXHORTATION: Double-minded on Genesis?**

At some point in the life of every serious person we each begin to ask the ultimate questions about the purpose and meaning of the Universe and human life itself. Why are we here? Why does the Universe exist? Is there a purpose to life in our Universe, or is our life simply a random accident? If the Universe and humanity were created purposely by a super-intelligent God, what is our relationship and responsibility to our Creator?

 Our answers to these questions have significant spiritual implications for our lifestyles, our priorities, and for our future life throughout eternity. The Bible warns us that “a double minded man is unstable in all his ways” (James 1:8). “Double-minded” means holding two totally contradictory thoughts in your mind at the same time.

 Tragically, this is the first generation of Christians in the history of the Church whose personal behavior does not significantly differ from the secular non-Christian world that surrounds it. I have concluded that the reason for this is that ours is the first generation of Christians who, as a result of their acceptance of evolution and the resulting logical rejection of the Genesis account of Creation, has a fundamentally compromised view of the authority and truthfulness of the Word of God.This “double-mindedness” or uncertainty regarding the Bible’s truthfulness has significantly weakened the faith and commitment of our generation of Christians. Jesus Himself, speaking of Genesis, warned: “But if ye believe not his [Moses’] writings, how shall ye believe my words?”(John 5:47).

 The real agenda of many of those scientists and educators who embrace evolution is to use it to destroy man’s faith in the Word of God, divine creation, and the Christian faith. This fact is demonstrated by the very words of leading atheists and supporters of evolution. For example, Professor J. Dunphy wrote about their plan to replace orthodox Christianity with their new atheistic religion called humanism: “I am convinced that the battle for humankind’s future must be waged and won in the public school classroom by teachers who correctly perceive their role as the proselytizers of a new faith…. utilizing a classroom instead of a pulpit to convey humanist values in whatever subject they teach, regardless of the educational level—preschool day care or large state university. The classroom must and will become an arena of conflict between the old and the new—the rotting corpse of Christianity, together with all its adjacent evils and misery, and the new faith of humanism. . . .”

 Although many people are unaware of the conflict, a war is taking place today for the hearts and minds of millions of adults and children over whether or not we can rationally believe the Genesis account of Creation. The faith of millions of Christians in the authority and promises of the Bible is at stake.

 [Romans 1:18-22] describe the underlying spiritual reasons why men and women choose to reject the obvious evidence that surrounds us that points to the existence of a Creator: “Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools.” **Grant Jeffrey [**Culled. See full article at www.grantjeffrey.com/pdf/creation02introduction.pdf]