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Miracles that follow the plow :: Ray Comfort stopped from Open Air Preaching at a Court

Ray Comfort stopped from Open Air Preaching at a Court - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2005/10/17 15:58

Brothers and sisters,

Please pray for Ray comfort, He was stopped from preaching at an court house that he has been doing it infront of for at least 1 year. The lawyers supporting Ray Comfort have filed this against the LA County judge:

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Court orders free speech out of bounds on its own steps

ADF attorneys file suit against California judge who declared all public areas
of Los Angeles County courthouses Â"no speech zonesÂ"

LOS ANGELES Â— Attorneys with the Alliance Defense Fund filed a federal civil rights lawsuit today against a California Superior Court judge who declared all public areas of Los Angeles County courthouses Â"no speech zones.Â"

Â"The courts are supposed to be protecting our First Amendment rights, not suppressing them,Â" said ADF Senior Legal Counsel Mike Johnson. Â"This judgeÂ's order is a constitutional travesty and has already forced our clients and other law-abiding citizens from engaging in classic, ordinary free speech.Â"

ADF attorneys represent best-selling author and TV co-host Ray Comfort and Pastor Emeal Zwayne, two Christian ministers who have been peacefully sharing their faith most mornings for the last 2-1/2 years outside of the Los Angeles County courthouse in Bellflower. For 20 minutes each morning, Comfort and Zwayne talk with persons waiting outside before the courthouse opens for the day. They have never caused any disturbance for the court or for uninterested persons.

Because of the courtÂ's Â"no speech zoneÂ" order, police officers removed the two men from a walkway outside of the courthouse on Sept. 30 and told them not to return.

According to the complaint filed today, the general order issued Sept. 13 by Judge William MacLaughlin Â"prohibits such free speech activities as picketing, distribution of literature, and demonstration. The ban requires even an individual prospective speaker to get a permit but fails to provide any objective criteria or time restrictions governing the granting of a permit.Â"

Â"Our clients have been peaceably speaking on the courthouse steps for years. Now a judge has proclaimed a sudden and sweeping crackdown on free speech. A courthouse is the last place youÂ'd expect to find a restriction on an AmericanÂ's First Amendment rights,Â" said Johnson. Â"We expect that the federal court will see the obvious problems with Judge MacLaughlinÂ's order and declare it unconstitutional.Â"

The full text of the complaint filed today in the case Comfort v. MacLaughlin in the U.S. District Court for the Central District of California can be read at www.telladf.org/UserDocs/ComfortComplaint.pdf.

ADF is a national legal alliance defending our first liberty--religious freedom--through strategy, training, funding and litigation.

Re: Ray Comfort stopped from Open Air Preaching at a Court - posted by disciplejosh (), on: 2005/10/17 17:20

hey guys and girls,

try this link to read the document.

 (http://www.telladf.org/UserDocs/ComfortComplaint.pdf) Click here to read

Re: - posted by repentcanada, on: 2005/10/19 4:44

Let's pray for Ray and EZ, without ceasing.

Re: Ray Comfort stopped from Open Air Preaching at a Court - posted by Ropafadzo, on: 2005/11/5 4:57

Our laws this day in essence carry forth the covenant that Jehovah God handed onto Moses for the Isralites. They are laws that in every respect should not choke the spread of the word of God. For what do we live for as human beings, save for honouring God. I am deeply concerned by the substance of this post and that by our friend Willo, on the Brisbane similarity. I am praying for Brothers Comfort and Zwayne. Our God shall not be stayed.