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## **Creation is Groaning: The Importance of the Blessed Hope**

By Jan Markell

*Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Savior Jesus Christ...Titus 2:13*

If you're like me, headlines and news alerts have worn you out over the summer and fall. We watched horrific circumstances in one area such as Houston but the attention was short-lived as attention would soon shift to Florida, then the Caribbean, then Puerto Rico, then Mexico, then California, as disaster after disaster took place in rapid-fire succession. We watched as concert goers were mowed down by a mad man in the Las Vegas shooting. It seemed like there was no end to the carnage. *Creation is groaning (Romans 8:22).*

Then there are projected disasters such as the Yellowstone caldera and the dreaded talk of an EMP explosion in the atmosphere above America. There is talk of earthquake fault activity in the West and Midwest.

When I started in ministry, news stories that were tied to Bible prophecy might have been weekly. Today they are hourly. The apocalyptic newscasts are now relentless. It is a dilemma trying to decide what topics to cut out of our radio programs, articles, commentaries, conference messages, and more.

The American stories got the attention

of the American media but frankly, no nation on the planet is escaping the violent birth pangs *that signal that something is up.*

At my October conference, Pastor J.D. Farag said that without the hope of the imminent Rapture, he would go out of his mind coping with this fallen planet. I couldn't agree more. *At the same time, pre-Tribulationism is under enormous attack.*

In 2005 I had a private conversation with prophecy pioneer and author Hal Lindsey. Say what you want about Hal but God gifted him to take the complex and put it in everyday language. He made complicated issues like the role of the European Union and the seals and trumpets of Revelation easy to understand.

In that conversation, Hal told me to expect terrible pushback against the doctrine of the pre-Tribulation Rapture. *He also said that many of those who object to this "blessed hope" theology cannot disagree in a charitable manner.*

His warnings could not have become more of a reality today.

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In one of my newer DVDs, “How the Blessed Hope Became the Blasted Hope: The Attack on Bible Prophecy”, I take a look at those who are coming against the doctrine of the pre-Trib Rapture. Joe Schimmel has made a four-hour film suggesting the entire doctrine is a scam perpetrated primarily by John Nelson Darby. The film is riddled with untruths and insults.

It features pit-bull theologian Jacob Prasch who has spent the last year attacking Pastor J.D. Farag and me, suggesting we are so off-base we need to step down from ministry. Prasch calls his efforts a discernment ministry but some of these folks contend contentiously and seem to operate more like the Pharisees of Jesus’ day. At the root of Prasch’s agitation is his hatred for our blessed hope, the pre-Trib Rapture.

Joel Richardson is a gentleman and a friend and always disagrees in a soft-spoken manner. But to hear him say that pastors simply must prepare their flocks to face the Antichrist is stunning.

*Show me one scriptural reference that would substantiate that statement! To emphasize my point, I put that clip of Joel in this DVD.*

I also include Hank Hanegraaff stating no Rapture concept exists in the Bible and that all Christians are the true “Chosen People.” The damage he has done over 30 years is incalculable in his role as the so-called Bible Answer Man.

Pastor Rick Warren calls Bible prophecy “a distraction from our purpose.”

The list of those who have diminished this message is much too long to reproduce here but their damage is legion—and it may be irreparable.

It is bad enough that most denominations do not even teach that a Rapture exists! They will tell you that you cannot find the word Rapture in the Bible. It’s Latin and it’s from the word *rapturo*. *In other words, it will be a rapturous moment.* In the Greek it is *harpazo*. *But most of the Church today focus on this earthly existence in spite of its heartaches and disasters.*

Those of us who hope in the Rapture are called “escape artists”. You will also find online articles calling my annual event that looks at current events from a biblical perspective and eschatology a “nonsense conference.” Another website calls it “last day’s madness” and a “hysteria conference.” And these are Christian ministries making such comments, not secularists doing the usual scoffing.

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One of these writers states, “Once again the usual suspects are gathering at Grace Church in Eden Prairie, Minnesota, in October of this year, to tell an eager and naïve audience that all the signs are aligned for an inevitable end-time event.”

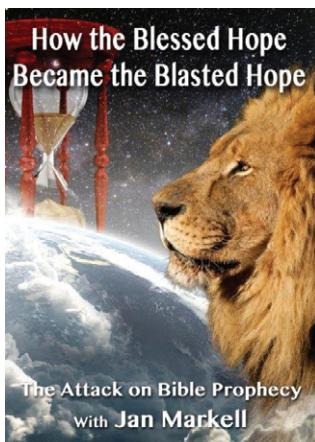
The mocker continues, “Anybody familiar with the history of Bible prophecy knows all of this has been done before. In fact, there is a nearly 2000-year history of predicting some type of prophetic event based on wars and rumors of wars, earthquakes, famines, and apostasy.”

The writer concludes, “I suspect that the majority of attendees who will sit under Mark Hitchcock, Jan Markell, and others, will not realize that only the names, events, and dates have changed. They will be hearing regurgitated prophetic speculation in the name of the Bible. These prophecy conferences breed cultural complacency. There is no way to fix our nation’s problems because the prophetic tea leaves say the end is near.”

So there is a war against Bible prophecy but there is a very special target on the hope of the pre-Tribulation Rapture.

It bears repeating: Things aren’t falling apart—they are falling into place. We need to be there to explain how it will

play out—offering the good news that God has provided a way out of the trials of the Tribulation (the Time of Jacob’s Trouble) and the flames of hell. Our faith in Jesus Christ is our eternal hope. In the meantime, the doctrine of the imminent Rapture is our immediate hope—indeed, our wonderfully blessed hope.



Jan Markell's newest  
DVD: *How the Blessed  
Hope Became the Blasted  
Hope: The Attack on Bible  
Prophecy*

NOTE: As a P.S. to this article, I want to refer to a LifeWay Research survey done in 2016. It revealed that among pastors and other Christian leaders that 36% believe in a pre-Tribulation Rapture; 25% do not take the Rapture literally; 8% believe in a mid-Tribulation or Pre-Wrath Rapture; 1% believe in Preterism or all prophecy is history.

Almost 50% believe a literal Antichrist will arise in the future. Almost 50% believe in Premillennialism; 31% are Amillennial; 10% are Postmillennial expecting a perfected earth before Christ’s return.

Baptists and Pentecostals held to the more traditional beliefs of Dispensationalism. Mainline Protestants and Reformed Theology followers embraced other views.

The full results are too extensive to be reproduced here. We encourage you to look up the definitions of the theologies listed that may be unfamiliar to you.

# Understanding the Times 2017 Conference

Presented by Jan Markell and Olive Tree Ministries



## A Pictorial Review of October 7, 2017



Amir Tsarfati, prophecy teacher from Israel and founder of “Behold Israel”, shared two messages: “Where is America in Bible Prophecy?” and “Europe: Closer to the Antichrist.”



J.D. Farag pastors a Calvary Chapel Church in Kaneohe, Hawaii. His message: “Why the Rapture Can Happen at Any Time”.



Mark Hitchcock addressed the rampant apostasy in many churches today.



Michele Bachmann had a timely message focusing on our perilous times and a call to stand with Israel.



Jan Markell's board and staff honored her for her 40 years in ministry with an incredible program coordinated by Jill Martin Rische and hosted by Michele Bachmann.



Over 6,000 people filled our church venue beyond capacity. All overflow rooms were in use.



Conference Hosts  
Jan Markell and  
Eric Barger

Amir and Pastor J.D. demonstrate the only way to solve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict: To become one in the Lord.

## Testimonials:

Trying to put in writing what my heart says about the whole day. It was just tremendously informative and, yes, INSPIRING. As you say, things aren't falling apart they are coming together. Sybil and I just want to thank you for putting on such a great conference – I think it was absolutely the BEST that you have put together in the history of your ministry, but then again that seems to coincide with the times we are living in.  
*–Kent & Sybil, Montana*

Jan: We attended the conference this year, and it was JUST AMAZING! We came to Minneapolis from Seattle. We've been wanting to come for years, and life circumstances have prevented until this year. Thank you for all your hard work! What a special privilege to be there to see you get honored for your years of ministry and to hear a little of your history. Thanks again! My head is still spinning with all the information!  
*–Ellen, e-mail*

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# Is God in the Rubble?

By Jill Martin Rische

*Note from Jan: Jill Martin Rische continues our thoughts from page one on the disasters of 2017. Jill is the daughter of Dr. Walter Martin and manages our social media. She is a frequent writer for Olive Tree and radio co-host. Learn more about her at [www.waltermartin.com](http://www.waltermartin.com).*

There is no doubt that the world turns on a dime, and we should never forget whose dime it is. America has been battered over the last few months with record-breaking storms. Christians and non-Christians are reeling—thousands of homes were blasted apart, leveled and reduced to ashes, the pictures reminiscent of atom-bomb remains. *The just are suffering with the unjust and it brings a sense of confusion and hurt to those of us who trust in Him.*

## Where is God in the Storm?

The California fires, now called the fire hurricanes, are a terrifying example of the natural powers God created and oversees in this world. Does this mean that He is in charge of every circumstance that impacts our lives? Yes. Does it mean every event is a punishment? No.

We live by His will and die at His discretion, and sometimes pain and death are part of His specific judgment on our lives, and sometimes they are not. Sometimes, it is the impact of a cursed world that washes over us, shaking us to the core. Everyone knows the verse, “The rain falls on the just and the unjust,” (Matt 5:45) but not many remember this wisdom in Job, “He

loads the thick cloud with moisture; the clouds scatter his lightning. They turn around and around by his guidance, to accomplish all that he commands them on the face of the habitable world. Whether for correction or for his land or for love, he causes it to happen.” (Job 37:11-13).

## Nothing is Ever by Chance

God is very specific in the Bible about exactly what power He has in this world and in our lives. “Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob.” (Ps 114:7) The power and presence of the Almighty defies understanding. He does not fit into a little corner of our human mind, stuffed in a cubbyhole marked “God.”

In the midst of time and space—a created reality—God remains outside of the time, space, and matter He created. One secret of the Bible is hidden in Genesis 1:1, “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.” In the beginning (TIME), God created the heavens (SPACE) and the earth (MATTER). These are the three building blocks of science. God is telling us that He holds everything, including science, in the palm of His hand.

Psalm 29 names Him the King of Storms, the prophetic implication pointing to the day when Jesus will return to wipe His enemies from the face of the earth. But to us, He is the loving Father who rescues and restores. *He knows the inner workings*

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*of the storm and the message is clear:  
Trust Me.*

## **God is in Control**

We can never understand Him in this world, and we will never know the “why” of it because “now we see through a glass darkly...” (1 Corinthians 13:12), and it may be a little while yet before we see face to face. But God is in control. *His power is terrifying, and yet His love for us ensures His mercy toward us.* Jesus said, “Why, even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows.” (Luke 12:7)

*No one is given a pass in this cursed world.* There will be times when we are hit hard by adversity—and this includes natural disasters—and times when we feel like Job. But it was not by chance that Hurricane Irma turned away from Ft. Myers in the last minutes before landfall. It was not luck that saved New Orleans from Hurricane Nate. Many prayed God would turn away the storms. *Who is to say He did not?*

## **In the Midst of the Storm We Are Comforted**

Yes, storms bring pain and destruction, but they also bring the opportunity to glorify God. In Psalm 29, “the voice

of the Lord” is heard seven times in the thunder, and the word “glory” is used four times. God will bring good from the heart of the storm. He will be glorified.

At the height of the fires near Santa Rosa, California, almost 3,000 homes lay destroyed. But even the *Los Angeles Times* could not deny the power and presence of God. One headline read, *As fire closes in on their homes, neighbors turn to God and to each other for support.*

Rebecca Pop, who faced losing everything in the fire, gained the chance to bring glory to God. She told the *LA Times*, “When you see pictures on television of everything burning, you can feel fear. For me, it makes me feel I have a great God,” she added, “and I can trust Him, come to Him in prayer no matter what happens.”

In the midst of the storm, we have God’s presence. He promises He will protect us and bring us through it, *and He guarantees the storm will end.* We rest in the warmth of His never-ending love for us.

*“The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.”*  
(Ps 34:18)

## **Understanding the Times 2018**

We had pre-announced that our 2018 conference would be on Saturday, September 29. We are negotiating with our church venue as we have exceeded their capacity seating for the last two years. As we go to press, we are uncertain about our 2018 conference and ask you to watch our newsletters, website, and hear our radio announcements. We will have information available by January.

# I Never Thought I Would See the Day

By Jan Markell

A popular pastor came up with a series with this title some years ago. He listed a lot of aberrations in the culture, country, and world, a decade ago. I thought I would come up with a list of my own as we wind down 2017. It has been an historic year to say the least. Everything is on overdrive.

Here goes. I never thought I would live to see:

- The earth reeling in an apocalyptic fashion, yet most go about their *business as usual*, eating, drinking, and enjoying life.
- Hawaii warning their people of a nuclear attack.
- European Commission head Jean-Claude Juncker call for a single ruler of the E. U.
- Every natural disaster preceded by words such as “unprecedented”, “of biblical proportion”, and “history making”. Hurricane Irma was so strong it was measured on a device that tracks earthquakes.
- A major U.S. newspaper say that someday everyone would “willingly get micro-chipped.”
- Planned Parenthood team up with Satanists to cooperate in their mutual evil.
- People heeding the warnings of impending natural disasters but scoffing at the ultimate warnings of the Lord’s return and the fires of hell.
- America seriously talking about the possibility of an EMP attack.
- Over 40% of Americans say they would prefer socialism over capitalism.
- Actors in Central Park simulating the assassination of a U.S. President.
- Satanic outfits granted IRS tax exempt status while Christians and Conservatives are overlooked and ignored.
- A nationalist—Donald J. Trump—undo the efforts of the world’s globalists and be inaugurated instead of arch-globalist Hillary Clinton. *The world’s globalists are in a free-fall.*
- The Catholic Church in South America state the Pope Francis is paving the way for the Antichrist.
- A major U.S. newspaper—*The Washington Post*—call Satan good and a great representation for secularism.
- A discussion of womb transplants for men.
- Pre-schoolers indoctrinated that transgenderism is normal.
- A Christian baker being forced to make a birthday cake for Satan featuring an upside-down cross.
- The “powertainment industry” (Hollywood) so weakened due to scandals that its influence is diminishing as people boycott films.
- The Boy Scouts cave and let girls join the organization.
- Word of a revival in North Korea.
- The son of a Hamas leader, who is now a Christian, tell the United Nations that Palestinian leaders are a bunch of terrorists.
- Rick Warren state that he hoped his partnership with a Catholic leader would become the ecumenical model for the world.

As I reflected on my list, I realized I could go on and on and on. We are in unusual times. Many notice and many are asking questions.

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# I Never Thought I Would See the Day

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The Bible warns that toward the end of history there will be a return to pre-flood conditions. The Scripture says concerning the people of Noah's day, "Then the Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually" (Genesis 6:5)." There was perversion. People ignored Noah's warnings. The aberrant was very likely celebrated. Up was down and black was white.

#### NOTE FROM JAN:

As I finished this article, I was apprised of a so-called "drag queen"—obviously quite demonic—reading to a group of pre-schoolers at the Michele Obama Library in Long Beach, CA. *And to be honest, I never thought I'd see the day!* I sat in stunned silence and honestly just wanted to delete this photo. I share it as it reflects how we



II Timothy 3 also warns that in the last days, mankind would focus on self, money, and enjoyment. There would be a departure from sound doctrine.

Noah's message was simple: Are you ready? The Ark was a type of the Rapture offering safety. I close this article asking the same: Are you ready for His return. It could be today. *Warning signs are everywhere.*

have sunk as a culture and have glorified all things evil and aberrant.

This is why America needs watchmen more than ever and why we must not be silent in the face of evil. I remind you of Edmund Burke's quote, "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing."

## Our Readers and Listeners Respond

We found your radio program by "accident" on the OnePlace app. We were blown away by what we heard and are now avid listeners, waiting for the weekend so we can listen to the new program. It keeps us well informed of current events and it sharpens our focus as we keep our eyes on the prize, Jesus.—Peter and Teresa, e-mail

I really appreciate your ministry. Thank you for keeping the remnant alive! —Joanne, e-mail

I am from Brazil and appreciate all you do. It is impossible to get the kind of information you provide anywhere else. Your radio program and guests are great.—Diego, e-mail

Jan, thanks to you, so much is confirmed on a lot of topics. You have helped provide the missing pieces to the puzzle.—Carrie, e-mail

My friends and I talk about your ministry and how bold you and your guests are in sharing the truth of our times. After each program, I am more excited about seeing Jesus return any day, any moment.—Becky, TX

Jan, you have become like a trusted friend. Very few are sounding the alarm as you are. I know the burden must be heavy and I always pray for your safety.—Charlene, AL

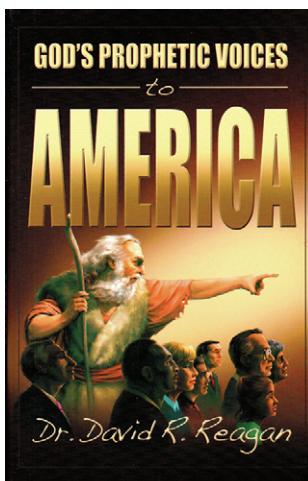
Your radio programmes reach far beyond America. We value them tremendously here in France. Amir Tsarfati suggested I write and tell you myself how much your ministry has helped us.—Rachel

## When Watchmen Warn

The Bible teaches that before God pours out His wrath on a nation He has blessed, He always warns by first calling the nation to repentance through prophetic voices and remedial judgments. Pondering this, ministry partner Dr. David Reagan was impressed that God has used 13 distinct voices to warn America and the church in these last days. Four are deceased but 9 remain involved in ministry.

In his newest book, Dr. Reagan gives a brief biographical sketch of these people who are warning, and some of their words of wisdom. Some of these voices include

**Jan Markell, David Wilkerson, Dr. Robert Jeffress, Dr. David Jeremiah, Franklin Graham, Dr. Erwin Lutzer, Bill Koenig, Peter Marshall, Dr. Albert**



Moeller, Francis Schaeffer, and others.

Dr. Reagan also addresses the issue, "Is there any hope for America?" The answer to that question is sobering. It will drive you both to the Scriptures and to your knees in prayer.

If you would like to read Jan's complete testimony and how Dr. David Reagan considers her an end-time voice that warns, order the book "God's Prophetic Voices to America" on our order form at the end of this newsletter. It makes a great gift. *It has information and inspiration.* It's been one of our most popular products.

Jan joins Dr. Reagan and Nathan Jones on "Christ in Prophecy" TV the week of November 12 and 26. Check your local listings or [www.lamblion.com](http://www.lamblion.com).

## Biblical Worldview Dropping Like a Rock

Michele Bachmann, former Minnesota Congresswoman and Presidential candidate in 2012, addressed the *Family Research Council's Values Voters' Summit* October 13.

There she stated, "The number of young people holding a biblical worldview in the United States is 'dropping like a rock'".

She stated, "I believe that we are coming to a culmination point in all of human history, a culmination point when we are coming potentially to the pillar of our age because we are looking at a convergence of events. If you read the books of Daniel and Ezekiel and

Zechariah and Revelation, and the book of Joel, and you read the prophets, we see the convergence of events that are happening," Bachmann asserted. "What that tells every one of us is we need to have our spiritual houses in order. We need to have our lamps full and our wicks trimmed."

Bachmann concluded at *Values Voters*, "America is the country that has sent out more missionaries for the Gospel of Jesus Christ globally than any other nation. We are looking at faithful generations. Now with just 4 percent of Millennials holding to a biblical worldview, that is something that should give us pause."

# Thoughts on the Remnant Church

By Jan Markell

Just what is the remnant church? Who are remnant believers? I often call “Understanding the Times” radio “radio for the remnant.” I pondered all of this when I got the following e-mail from Benjamin:

*“Jan, thank you for your ministry! I haven’t missed a radio show in years. I check your website multiple times a day. I believe your message is most accurate, current and relevant to the times in which we live. How true that it is radio for the remnant.*

*“I feel the remnant is getting smaller every day as the time approaches for the Lord’s return. The world seems to be getting darker and more evil daily. I know I am not alone as a member of the Body of Christ, but at times it’s easy to feel isolated.”*

Based on interactions by way of e-mail or face-to-face at my conferences and other locations, I have concluded this about the remnant:

- It is made up of people longing for a solid church and a pulpit that will address issues of the day as well as the nearness of Christ’s return. They want a church that will not fear offending with the truth and that will confront apostasy.
- Remnant believers have offended friends and family simply by telling them the truth of our times or for sharing information that is relevant to our times. They share with love and concern but are often met with mocking and scoffing. At the very least, the response is irritated indifference. *This doesn’t daunt them and such tragic response doesn’t keep them quiet.*
- These enthusiastic folks will travel across town and across country to attend events that present information about which the church is silent.

- Remnant believers often feel isolated and misunderstood even though *they have the truth and the naysayers are clueless.*
- These people see our times darkening but remain enthusiastic that this is but a herald of His coming—not signs of gloom and doom.
- When the remnant finds someone who is a kindred spirit *it is like discovering a gold mine.*
- Remnant believers often had a very solid church at one time but in many cases it went haywire. They now visit many churches hoping to re-discover biblical soundness. They often come up empty-handed.
- Very often they approach church leaders or ministry leaders hoping to reason with them but are usually shut out.

My mother worked with fabrics all the time. She did not make quilts, but had she, she would have used a wide variety of mismatched remnants. Such professionals use discarded sections of fabric from garments that are no longer usable—but they are sewn into an unbelievably elegant quilt! The tossed aside remnant became an object of creativity and beauty.

If you are a remnant believer, take heart and imagine you are a creative and colorful quilt! Eternity may reveal that you broke through to more people than you thought. And remember that such mocking and scoffing are fulfilling end-time scriptures as well. So hang on and don’t grow weary in your well doing!

## A Dream Come True

By Jan Markell

In 1979 Anita Dittman and I sat down to write her now classic book, *Trapped in Hitler's Hell: A Young Jewish Girl Discovers the Messiah's Faithfulness in the Midst of the Holocaust*. As I met Anita, now 90 years old, all those decades ago, I knew she would affect the lives of millions of people. She would put all of their suffering into perspective. She would experience terror, loss, separation, deprivation, isolation, torture, drama—but most important of all—the miracles of God.

*As I sat down to write her story, we both concluded that we must focus on the miracles. And we did.*

We also talked about our hopes that someday her story would become a film full of drama and hope and that it would lead many to a saving faith in a miracle-working God.

Over 38 years later, George Escobar, Joseph Farah, Ken Carpenter, and other top Christian filmmakers are proceeding to get this film into theaters in 2018. At the conclusion of meetings recently near Nashville with *WTA Group*, one of the leading film marketing and funding companies in the faith market, the TRAPPED movie team has garnered important support for the movie project in two key areas. The head of *WTA* has offered assistance to the TRAPPED team (as needed) in meetings with film production companies, distributors, and investors as the team raises production funds to make the movie.

Moreover, *WTA* is also optimistic about providing additional support for marketing and raising distribution funds for ‘Prints and Advertising’ (P&A) once

filming is completed. This bodes well for the TRAPPED movie project. *WTA Group* has a roster of successful hit films that include: *War Room*, *God's Not Dead*, *Heaven is for Real*, and *Miracles from Heaven*. They are also one of the producers of the upcoming sequel to *Unbroken*.

Writer and producer George Escobar has been involved in the fundraising efforts for two years as millions are needed from investors. These investors want to see Escobar lay the financial groundwork apart from them. An offering was taken at my October 7 conference and another \$50,000 was raised that day.

As I finished this article, this e-mail came in: “*Jan, I just finished reading ‘Trapped in Hitler’s Hell.’ I am praying about the funds for the film by George Escobar. What an amazing story of God’s love and protection. We were able to meet Anita at your October conference and she is so very precious.*”—Kjersti

Anyone interested in learning about investing, please contact George Escobar at [gescobar@wnd.com](mailto:gescobar@wnd.com). There is also a **GoFundMe page** with more information and a video about the project: <https://www.gofundme.com/make-a-hit-movie-with-wnd> If thousands would contribute just \$25 to this effort, it will be a reality in 2018. **If you would prefer writing a check, make it out to “Trapped in Hitler’s Hell Movie LLC” and send to WND Office, c/o George Escobar, 14501 George Carter Way, Suite 102, Chantilly, VA 20151. Gifts are not tax-deductible.**



Anita Dittman receiving “Heroine of the Faith” Award at 2015 National Religious Broadcasters presented by Rich Bott of Bott Radio Network.

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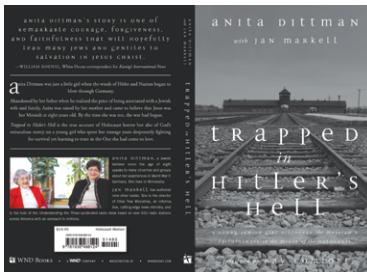
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## Trapped in Hitler's Hell: A Young Jewish Girl Discovers the Messiah's Faithfulness in the Midst of the Holocaust\*

By Anita Dittman and Jan Markell

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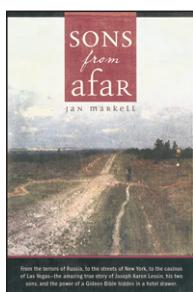
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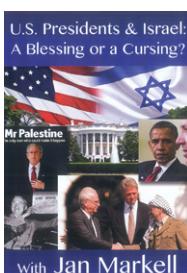


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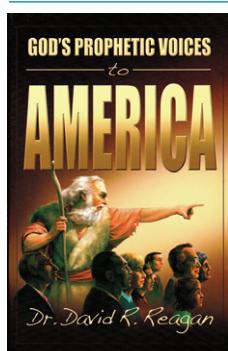
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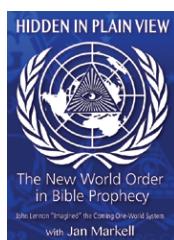
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