

PERCEPTIONS



Aim Right Ministries

WWW.AIMRIGHT.ORG

FALL 2003

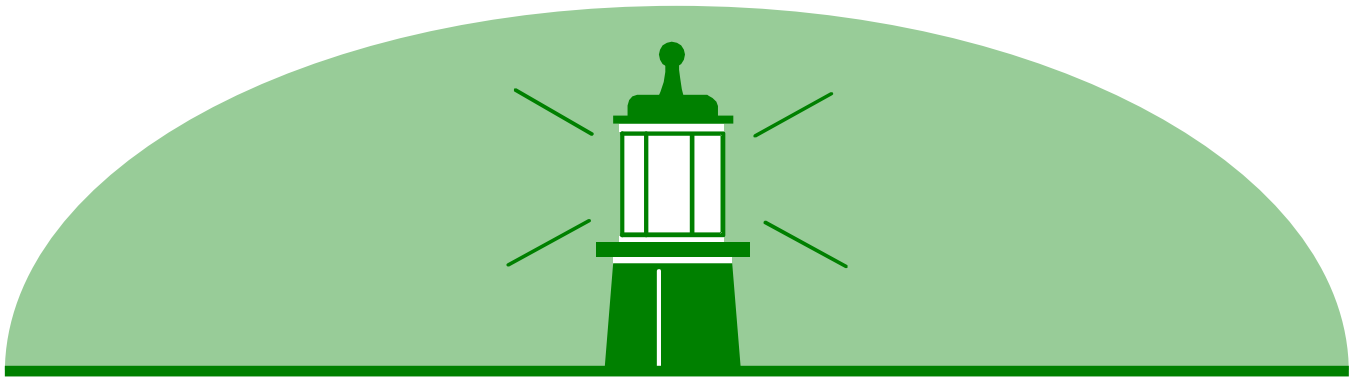
Relevance In Our Culture by Darrell Bacher

We live in challenging times, especially as it relates to Christians living with a biblical worldview in the midst of a society and culture that is post modern, and anti God. Even though our nation was established on Judeo-Christian principles, our nation is not a Christian nation. Even though we are perceived by other nations in the world as a “Christian nation”, our culture is not a Christian culture. The deviation from this beginning as a nation is largely due to the Church and Christians as a whole dividing life into two spheres, that which is secular and that which is sacred. Today we see this being played out in our court system with the separation of church and state to the extent that the Ten Commandments and God are in jeopardy in our society.

Our society tells us that you can believe what you want as long as it does not mingle with your employment in school, or in the government. And also that we would respect the belief system of others because all beliefs are equal. But as followers of Jesus, a biblical worldview affects every aspect of our lives. We dare not allow a dichotomy between what is secular and sacred in our lives – So how are we to live in our culture without taking our directives from the culture? Obviously we are a part of the culture of our nation whether we want to be or not and we need to face the issues that our culture is raising. The challenge of living today is being separate from the world’s belief system as Christ asks us to be, yet being relevant to the culture. “If the salt has lost it’s flavor, it is good for nothing”

How can we live and maintain a Biblical worldview in our society, withstanding the pressure to conform to the broader culture? As we face this issue, I believe the response will happen in three different ways – Either we will reject the culture, or we will receive the culture or we will live for culture transformation.

Inside this edition....	
Income & Expense Report	2
Quilt Request for Auction 2004 All-Star Tutoring Support Aim Right	3
Current Needs College Scholarship Fund	4



Relevance In Our Culture continued...

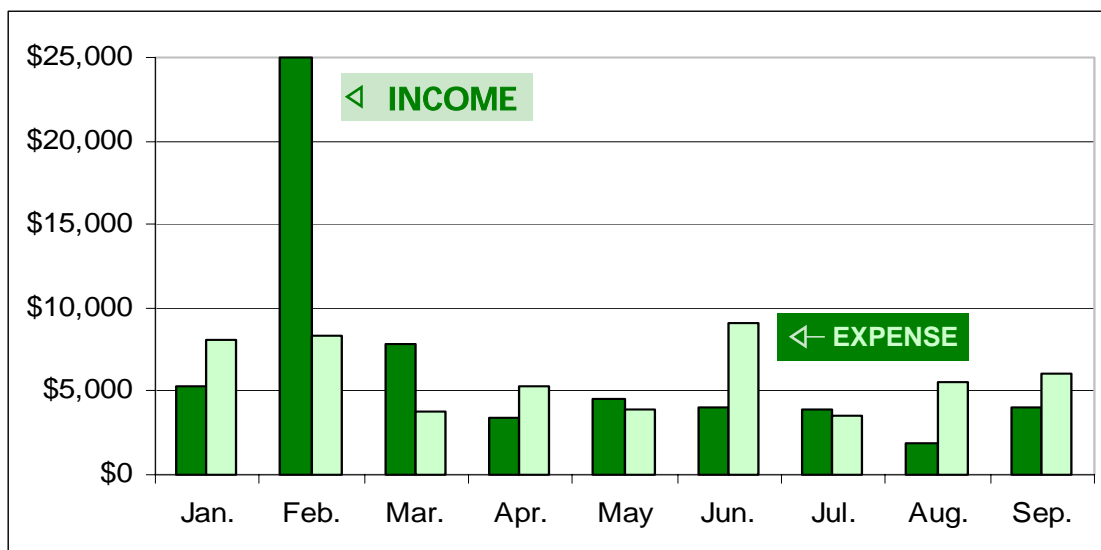
If we reject the culture, we need to withdraw and totally separate ourselves from the culture, and thereby lose our relevance. This is the response of many in order to protect themselves from the invading culture.

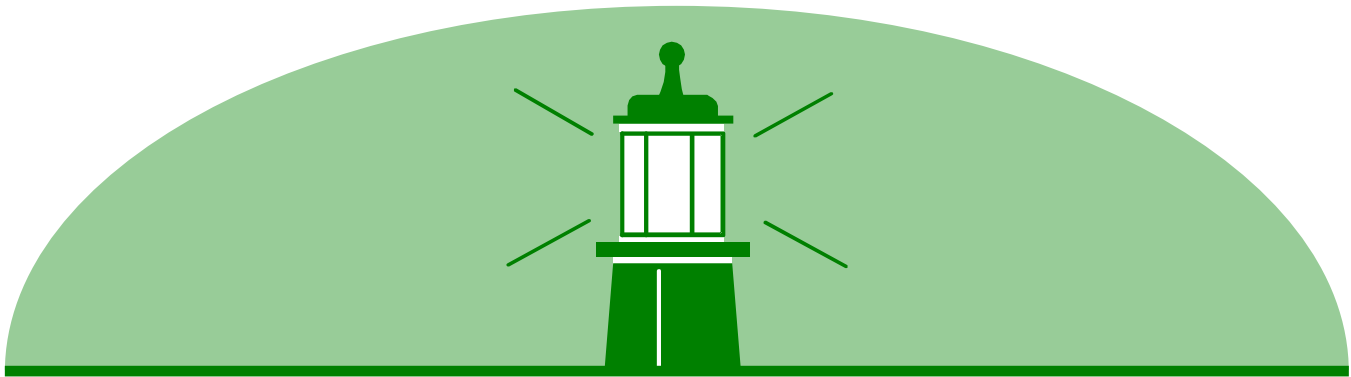
A second response is to receive the culture, as a standard for our conduct. But the Bible raises the issue of how can we be “friends with the world”, either we are friends with God and enemies with the world or vice versus.

Or we can live for culture transformation, where as Christians and churches we are relevant to our culture, addressing the issues of the culture and allowing Christ to invade our lives so we can be the light and salt to transform the culture one person at a time.

As Daniel lived for His God in Babylon in centuries past, we need to also stand up and live the Christian life with relevance and purpose.

Income & Expense as at September 30, 2003





Quilt Request for Auction 2004

The Annual Benefit Auction will be on February 7th, 2004 - 3 more months! We are thankful for those who have contributed to our annual auction in the past, and thus helped us raise the funds to advance God's kingdom work.

We are asking that you consider donating quilt(s) for the auction this year.

For those who would like to donate item(s), please email Elizabeth at liztan@aimright.org. The details to be included in the email are:-

- Your Name
- Name & Address of your church
- Contact Number
- Quantity and Description of item(s)

Anyone who is planning to travel to Phoenix next year for the auction and could transport donated items, please email Elizabeth to let her know.

ALL-STAR TUTORING

Tutoring started on September 9, 2003. We were encouraged to have some returning tutors.

At present, we have a total of 11 tutors and 11 students, and expect the number of tutor / students to increase as the year progresses.

We would like to encourage you to influence and change a life for God by :-

1. Praying for this program.
2. Volunteering your time to help the Garfield school children read and write at their grade level.

If you are interested, please call Elizabeth at 602-462-1987 or email her at liztan@aimright.org.

**SUPPORT
AIM RIGHT
WHILE BUY-
ING
GROCERIES
NATION-
WIDE!**

If you shop at **Safeway**, use **Budget Rent a Car**, or eat at **Coco's Bakery Restaurant** you may now register to have up to 3% or more of your purchases go directly to support Aim Right Ministries. Through eScrip, Aim Right Ministries will now receive up to 3% of supporter's purchases at **Safeway** and 150 other merchant partners.

For more information concerning how to register or find merchants in your area, visit www.escrip.com or www.aimright.org or contact Aim Right at info@aimright.org or call (602) 462-1987.

Shop at **Fry's Food & Drug**, **Kroger's** or **Dillon's** and they will donate up to 3% back to Aim Right. This opportunity is available nationwide, and all that is necessary is to receive a gift card from Aim Right to use for your purchases. Email or call for additional information.

Aim Right Ministries
1013 N 13th Street
Phoenix, AZ 85006
Phone: 602-462-1987
www.aimright.org
email: info@aimright.org

Current Needs

- Aim Right Ministries is looking for a person with a vision and passion for reaching at-risk youth to fill the position of Teen Ministries Director. This is a salaried position.
- We are also in need of male interns willing to commit to one year of volunteer service.

**For more information,
contact Darrell Bacher
at 602-462-1987
or darrell@aimright.org.**

Mission Statement : Established in 1991, Aim Right Ministries provides after school recreational activities, educational tutoring, and moral/spiritual training for at risk youth and children living in central Phoenix. Working in cooperation with Crossroads Christian Fellowship, we desire these youth to be evangelized and disciplined for Christ.

Board Members: Joe Byler (Chairman), John Yoder (Vice-Chairman), Vernon Hochstetler (Secretary/Treasurer), Dr. Glenn Yarbrough, MD, James Miller, Chris King.

President/Founder: Darrell Bacher

Office Administrator / Tutoring Director: Elizabeth Tan

Interns: Brandon Helmuth / Kendra Yutzy

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

A scholarship fund has been established for the purpose of benefiting young adults who are or have previously been involved with Aim Right.

Currently the award amount is \$800/per year, per student. It is designated for tuition and books at a trade school, college or university of their choice.

If anyone is interested in contributing to this fund, please designate your gift accordingly.

1013 N 13th St. Phoenix, AZ 85006

Helping Youth Find Direction in Life

