

## *Write it Right!*

Recently, I was asked to make a presentation at a Youth Patriot Day. The goal was to inspire patriotism and the historical greatness of the United States. Of course, that was going to be easy because God has made the United States great just as he made Israel, Babylon, Persia/Medes, Greece, and Rome great. Additionally, I saw this as an opportunity to cite President Dwight D. Eisenhower's success at getting "Under God" into the Pledge of Allegiance, hoping to motivate my young audience to work toward that same goal for our U.S. Constitution and really make America great! At that point, they decided on another speaker.

Most troubling to me, in one of our communiqués, the representative of the event stated, "My biggest concern with your presentations is how much you plan on pressing the issue of the word GOD in the constitution."

I realize many people banter the word GOD around without much thought. But if one thinks the issue of the word GOD in our Constitution is trivial, try omitting GOD and see what happens.

The Preamble of the United States Constitution is a perfect example. In the Preamble, *We the People* and the U.S. Constitution are going to:

- Form a more perfect Union,
- Establish Justice,
- Insure domestic Tranquility,
- Provide for the common defense,
- Promote the general Welfare,
- Secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity.

When, in fact, only God can:

- Form a more perfect Union,
- Establish Justice,
- Insure domestic Tranquility,
- Provide for the common defense,
- Promote the general Welfare,
- Secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity.

In other words, when we omit God, something or someone else has to fill his place. In this case, it is *We the People* and the Constitution. Clearly, this does not reflect reality, nor does it incite pleasure in Almighty God who is sovereign over the nations, raising them up and tearing them down. (Jeremiah 1:10; 31:28; Lamentations 2:8)

Our American youth deserve better, not only the opportunity to be patriotic and understand America's greatness, but the opportunity to work toward an even greater goal: acknowledging God as the Foundation, Sustainer, Protector, and Lord over our nation. Not for God's sake, but for our nation's sake. It's time to Write it Right!

# UPDATES:

One of our workshop trainings was with Collins Omondi in Kenya. Yes, Kenya!

Via telephone—with Tim in Nebraska, USA, and Collins in Kenya—the two went through our *UNDER GOD, We the People, Returning to Our Roots Workbook* on our website, [www.undergodwethepeople.com](http://www.undergodwethepeople.com). After the workshop, Collins took our survey. The following are our questions and his answers.

1. Please write down your own version of the Preamble of the U.S. Constitution.  
Collins changed one thing. He began the Preamble with *In the name of the Most High God.*  
He then wrote: *America being a Christian nation must recognize God in everything they do to provide leadership rightfully to the whole world.*
2. What was your favorite Preamble and why?  
*PHILIPPINES. This preamble gives full dependence on God for the Filipino people.*
3. What was your favorite Scripture?  
*Psalm 22:28. This verse declares that God is above all.*
4. Please comment on why, from an international perspective, it is so important for America to be a leader in acknowledging God in its documents.  
*If God is not acknowledged in its documents then it may be interpreted that the document is supreme than God.*
5. Was the training session valuable?  
*Yes, the training was valuable. It trains us Christians to acknowledge God in all that we do for it to be successful.*
6. Please include the text of the prayer that you pray for America.  
*Dear God, I pray You will be in Your rightful position in the United States of America. Give the leaders of this nation the wisdom and integrity to lead your people in the best direction. Give each one discernment I pray, when making decisions or drawing up the legislation and laws that they pass. And may the decisions that they reach be godly and wise. As the days become increasingly dark in the United States of America, I pray that the light of Your love will shine on this land. May Your peace reign and protect them from those that would seek their downfall, I pray for each one, that they may fulfill Your plans and Your purposes, in whatever they do. I ask Your blessing on those that are seeking to follow Your ways and I pray for Your pity and mercy on those that are deliberately defying You as the Creator God. In Christ name I pray. Amen.*
7. What can we pray regarding your ministry in Kenya?  
*Pray for unity, protection and provision regarding our ministry in Kenya.*

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