

# Church of God, The Eternal

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**Announcement Letter**  
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Dear Brethren:

A new year—not as God looks at it, but as we must face it, living in this last-day manifestation of Babylon. What will it bring? How many of the last-day prophecies will surface? Will we be better Christians this year than we were last year? Have we honestly evaluated the self? Do we know exactly what we want to master and overcome through the year 1989? Remember, any time is a good time to begin the arduous task of self-mastery.

Perhaps the most significant question of all, How will we look back on 1989 once it has come and gone? Will it have been a time of successful Christian living? Now is the time to make the future what you want it to be! Who can change events once they have passed? Where there is good vision and purpose, there is joyous challenge and, in retrospect, contentment for a duty well performed.

May this be a successful year for you—pagan though it is. For in the above regard, the actual calendar makes little difference.

## Current Events

Until God reveals the *specifics* of prophecy, they cannot be known. God alone knows the specific intent of the words written. Human interpretations are destined for failure. Just take a good look at the long history of churchianity. It is literally strewn with once cherished and religiously believed concepts, now castaways because time proved them wrong.

Few, if any, really understood the length and breadth of the prophesied apostasy until it occurred. Even then most refused to look at the facts. Within the once true body a subtle conceptual change occurred which refocused the faithful's attention toward islands of security and away from the failures. Most did not even consider applying the charge of Deuteronomy 18:15–22.

The facts speak for themselves. The apostasy did occur. Visible, however, only to those who were carefully and honestly watching. In the same way, those who are watching with unbiased minds can see the unfolding of national and international relationships—relationships which are the fulfillment of prophesied events of the last days. Though specifics cannot be known until God reveals them—such as dates, who, and where—the general recorded factors can be known. Further, what is tangibly unfolding in the international scene can be observed.

What is unfolding internationally?

1. Nationalism is considered archaic. The powers-that-be want a truly international order—called the New International Order.

2. This New International Order is to be regionalized. Each region obeying the dictates of power brokers located in one centralized area.
3. At present, what we see is the development of these regions, with the attendant destruction of all dictators, independent strongmen who head governments, kings—who are made mere figureheads, if not destroyed—and anyone else who refuses to cooperate with these power brokers.

What are the visible regions at this present date?

- A. The creation of Comecon: The Soviet-created alignment of Eastern European nations revolving around Russia—Moscow.
  - B. The creation of the EEC: A European combine with its chosen centralized control area—at present, Brussels.
  - C. Underway at the present time is the construction of an East Asian trade combine under the guidance of a restructured Japan. Watch it unfold.
  - D. The fourth economic trade combine is being created in the Caribbean and Central American countries. Watch, also, this one emerge in finalized shape.
  - E. The fifth combine designed and plotted by the power brokers is the Northern American combine. Now you can understand the rationale behind the recent Canadian election issue—trade agreement with the United States. What about Mexico?
  - F. It might be interesting to speculate on the creation of the other combines around the world, but we do not have specific information. The first five above are now known and are emerging in finalized form. Areas of the world not yet welded into regional combines are South America, Africa, the Islamic world of the Near East, Israel, China, and the "down-under" world of Australia, New Zealand, etc. It will be interesting to watch these take shape in the future.
4. From the Bible we know the following: Could there be a relationship between these two sets of facts?
    - A. The centralized power over all the earth is a city. Rev. 17:10. What city? New York? London?
    - B. The power and strength behind the development of this regionalized international order is the merchants and bankers. Rev. 18:23.
    - C. The basis of that strength and power is the same as that which tyrannized humanity from the beginning. Rev. 18:24.
    - D. Somehow, the very Church of God has been led astray and used in this nefarious orientation. Matt. 23:34–35. Note verse 2—the 'you' of verses 34 and 35. If Babylon is responsible for all the evil inflicted upon humanity, how can the historical Church of God be responsible? Are they one and the same?
    - E. Babylon is not national. It is a conceptual way inflicted upon all nations and peoples. Rev. 18:3.

Do not try to be specific. Allow events to emerge in visible form. Then you can know what you are seeing. Somehow, these powers of government, called ten horns, must surface and be recognized. Yet only a handful of people will see and believe.

Let us not attempt to preempt God. Be patient. If we are close to God we will see and understand when reality surfaces.

### **Prayer Requests**

[Omitted for confidentiality]

### **Deaths**

Mr. Gordon Stinson: Mr. Stinson died on December 12, 1988. Funeral services were performed by Mr. George Leeman. Mrs. Stinson extends her love and appreciation for the prayers, cards, and letters she received. They meant so much to her.

### **Trips**

January 14, 1989	George Leeman, West Palm Beach, Florida
January 21, 1989	George Leeman, South Carolina Raymond Cole, Sacramento, California
January 28, 1989	Bryce Clark, Nashville, Tennessee
February 4, 1989	Bryce Clark, Austin, Texas
February 11, 1989	John Mitchell, Dallas, Texas
February 18, 1989	Bryce Clark, Vancouver, BC, Canada George Leeman, Ohio/Pennsylvania area
February 24-March 5, 1989	Raymond Cole, Hawaii (may be extended)
February 25, 1989	George Leeman, Central Pennsylvania (Altoona)

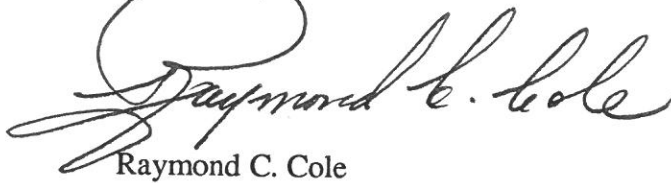
### **Office**

Those who have not yet received Feast of Tabernacles tapes should please let us know. All Townsend tape requests have been sent, and there are only a very few Bend requests left to be filled (all in Eugene).

## Tape Schedule

Tape series:	Mailed on:	For:	Title/tape #:
WSE-RC 37	12/14	1/06	What is the natural body? #26
WSP-JM 5	12/14	1/13	Healing
WSE-RC 37	1/05	1/20	What is the natural body? #27
WSE-BC 122	1/05	1/27	Great men of the O.T. #4
WSE-RC 37	1/19/	2/04	What is the natural body? #28
WSE-BC 122	1/19/	2/11	Great men of the O.T. #5
WSE-RC 37	2/02/	2/18	Confrontations and responses of Christ #1
WSE-BC 122	2/02	2/25	Great men of the O.T. #6

Much love,



Raymond C. Cole



Bryce G. Clark