



MILITARY RELIGIOUS FREEDOM FOUNDATION

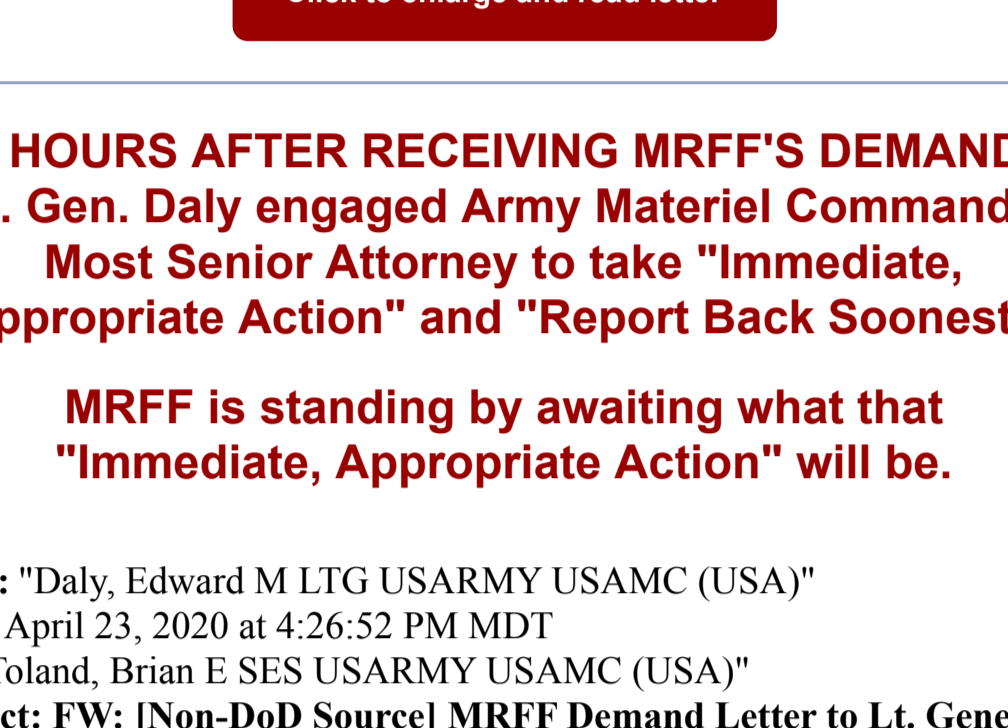
MRFF DEMANDS REDSTONE ARSENAL REMOVE PROSELYTIZING COVID-19 VIDEO FROM FACEBOOK PAGE

MRFF continues its fight against the "virus" of Christian proselytizing COVID-19 videos on official military Facebook pages. The only proper place for these videos is on the chapel pages. After successfully getting videos removed from the Fort Hamilton, Fort Drum, and Air Force Reserve Facebook pages, MRFF goes to Redstone Arsenal.



Click to watch (10 min. 25 sec.) video

MRFF'S DEMAND LETTER TO LT. GEN. EDWARD M. DALY, DEPUTY COMMANDING GENERAL, U.S. ARMY MATERIEL COMMAND, REDSTONE ARSENAL



Click to enlarge and read letter

2 HOURS AFTER RECEIVING MRFF'S DEMAND, Lt. Gen. Daly engaged Army Materiel Command's Most Senior Attorney to take "Immediate, Appropriate Action" and "Report Back Soonest."

MRFF is standing by awaiting what that "Immediate, Appropriate Action" will be.

From: "Daly, Edward M LTG USARMY USAMC (USA)"
Date: April 23, 2020 at 4:26:52 PM MDT
To: "Toland, Brian E SES USARMY USAMC (USA)"
Subject: FW: [Non-DoD Source] MRFF Demand Letter to Lt. General Daly; U.S. Army Garrison Redstone Arsenal (UNCLASSIFIED)

CLASSIFICATION: UNCLASSIFIED
Mr. Toland - For your immediate, appropriate action. Please report back soonest.
Vr/Daly
Edward M. Daly
LTG, U.S. Army
Deputy Commanding General
U.S. Army Materiel Command
Redstone Arsenal, AL

MRFF Founder and President Mikey Weinstein's reply to Lt. Gen. Daly

From: Mikey Weinstein
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] MRFF Demand Letter to Lt. General Daly; U.S. Army Garrison Redstone Arsenal (UNCLASSIFIED)
Date: April 23, 2020 at 5:11:13 PM MDT
To: "Daly, Edward M LTG USARMY USAMC (USA)"
Cc: "Toland, Brian E SES USARMY USAMC (USA)"

Thank you for your prompt response, Lt Gen Daly... MRFF will standby to receive your earliest decision just as soon as possible... I spoke on the phone yesterday to your Aide-de-Camp, Lt. Col. Matt Alexander... I am hoping he fully briefed you about this situation already?... In any event, we await your decision on behalf of our 43 USAG Redstone Arsenal aggrieved MRFF clients... We urge you and your staff to expeditiously make the correct constitutional decision here and remove that sectarian Christian proselytizing video from the main Redstone Arsenal Facebook page and have it re-posted on the chaplains page where it will fully comply with all of the time, place and manner mandates of the US Constitution, it's construing case law and the directives, instructions and regulations of the Department of Defense & the Department of the Army... just as your colleagues at Fort Hamilton & Fort Drum have done as well as the United States Air Force Reserve... Thank you... Mikey Weinstein, Founder and President, Military Religious Freedom Foundation 505-250-7727

FOX NEWS COVERS MRFF

Army chaplains' prayer videos during coronavirus removed from Facebook after complaints

By: Caleb Parke
Thursday, April 23, 2020

(Excerpts from Fox News/Emphasis Added by MRFF)
Several military chaplain videos offering prayer during the coronavirus pandemic have been removed from Facebook after a group complained they amounted to "illicit proselytizing" of Christianity.

The Military Religious Freedom Foundation (MRFF) watchdog group is celebrating.
Four recent videos involving chaplains Cpt. Amy Smith and Maj. Scott Ingram posted on the Facebook page of the Army's 10th Mountain Division Sustainment Brigade at Fort Drum, N.Y., were taken down after MRFF founder and president Mikey Weinstein sent a demand letter claiming they violate the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment.

"These videos belong only on a chapel page, not on a base's or unit's main page," MRFF senior research director Chris Rodda wrote in an op-ed for the Daily Kos, adding the group "has been seeing an uptick in a particular type of complaint — overt proselytizing videos on official military Facebook pages."

[...]
Mike Berry, a lawyer for the First Liberty Institute, said he was shocked to find out the news and questioned why MRFF is focused on this issue.

"At a time when our nation is hurting and many feel hopeless, why on earth would Mikey Weinstein attack prayer?" Berry told Fox News. "America has the strongest military in history, but our brave service members are not immune to the havoc COVID-19 has wreaked."

He added, "I cannot believe the legendary U.S. Army's 10th Mountain Division raised the white flag of surrender to an anti-religious freedom zealot. Every president, from Washington to Trump, has publicly prayed for our military. If the commander in chief can pray, then our soldiers can, too."

Click to read Article

THE CHRISTIAN POST COVERS MRFF

Army brigade removes chaplains' Facebook videos on prayer during COVID-19 following complaints

By: Samuel Smith
Tuesday, April 21, 2020

(Excerpts from The Christian Post/Emphasis Added by MRFF)
Videos produced by chaplains encouraging service members and their families to pray during the COVID-19 crisis were removed from the official Facebook page of the U.S. Army's 10th Mountain Division Sustainment Brigade at Fort Drum, New York, following a complaint.

The Military Religious Freedom Foundation announced that it received complaints a few days ago from eight active duty service members in the 10th Mountain Division objecting to four videos posted in March and April by two chaplains on the Sustainment Brigade's official command Facebook page that has over 7,800 followers.

MRFF founder and President Mikey Weinstein sent a demand correspondence to the commander at Fort Drum this week urging that the videos posted by chaplains Amy Smith and Scott Ingram be removed from the Facebook page alleging that they violated the Establishment Clause of the First Amendment.

[...]
"I personally spoke on the phone this morning to the senior leadership staff of [Maj. Gen.] Brian Mennes, the 10th's Commanding General, as well as subordinate senior staff of [Col.] Matt Bresko, the Commander of the 10th Mountain Division Sustainment Brigade," Weinstein said in a statement Monday.

"These senior Fort Drum staffers were professional and courteous and seemed to understand well the position of MRFF in advocating for our active duty Army clients under their command."

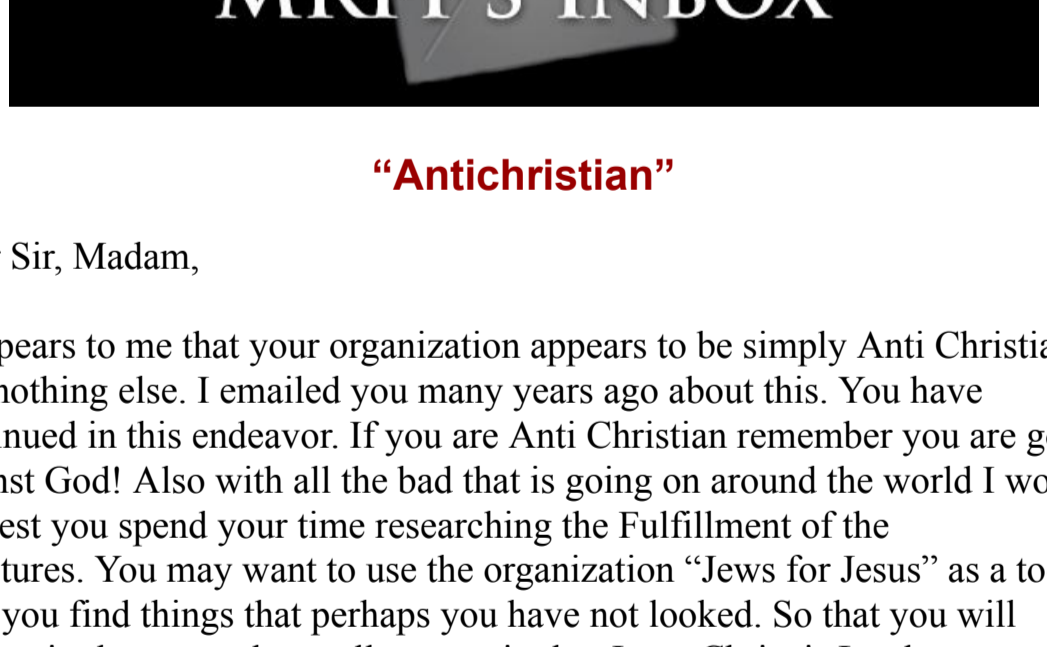
[...]
Click to read Article

3/23/20 - AIR FORCE RESERVE REMOVES PROSELYTIZING COVID-19 VIDEO FROM OFFICIAL FACEBOOK PAGE!

4/9/20 - U.S. ARMY, FORT HAMILTON REMOVES PROSELYTIZING COVID-19 VIDEO FROM OFFICIAL FACEBOOK PAGE!

4/20/20 - U.S. ARMY, FORT DRUM, NY REMOVES PROSELYTIZING COVID-19 VIDEO FROM OFFICIAL FACEBOOK PAGE!

4/20/20 - MRFF Op-Ed: MRFF Gets More Proselytizing COVID-19 Chaplain Videos Removed From Facebook



"Antichristian"

Dear Sir, Madam,
It appears to me that your organization appears to be simply Anti Christian and nothing else. I emailed you many years ago about this. You have continued in this endeavor. If you are Anti Christian remember you are going against God! Also with all the bad that is going on around the world I would suggest you spend your time researching the Fulfillment of the scriptures. You may want to use the organization "Jews for Jesus" as a tool to help you find things that perhaps you have not looked. So that you will believe in the name above all names, in that Jesus Christ is Lord.

I pray that you are stopped and that you are converted.
(name withheld)

To see response from MRFF Board Member John Compere:

Click to Read in Inbox

"Important Items"

Don't you really have anything else to do? Your agenda is pathetic. Quit trying to ram your narrative down our throats. You guys are disgusting!
(name withheld)

To see response from MRFF Board Member John Compere:

Click to Read in Inbox

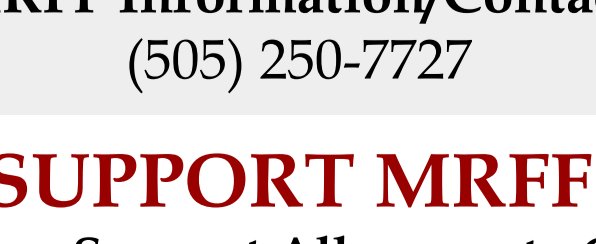
"10th Mountain"

Hi,
I really wish you would find something else to do. With all the sickness going on now, go help someone. There's nothing wrong with someone praying anywhere anytime.
Please go give mouth to mouth to a black mamba.

(name withheld)
Rangers Lead The Way

To see response from MRFF Board Member John Compere:

Click to Read in Inbox



When you shop at smile.amazon.com, Amazon donates.

MRFF Information/Contact: (505) 250-7727

SUPPORT MRFF!

Your Generous Support Allows us to Continue our Fight in the Courts and in the Media

Make a Donation

Join MRFF's Constitution Society (Recurring Donation)

Help Build the Wall: Donate a "Brick"!

