

Endorsements

When we received word that the Mormons planned to build a temple just five blocks from our Church building, we wondered, what we, as a Church, could do to inform the community of what the Mormon Church really taught, without appearing antagonistic.

We knew that the Mormon's teachings were not at all Christian, but lacked the material and the experience to counter such an organized and polished facade.

When Tom Jones called and explained his mission, we did what we could to help bring them to Omaha. Tom and the team's work made a great impact on our Church. We saw Christian people lovingly and politely, yet resolutely, distributing literature and engaging in dialogue with literally thousands of people who would otherwise have been influenced by the Mormons, with no Christian counter to their claims.

Because of [Christian Research & Counsel], we are now better trained; better supplied with literature, and more willing to "speak the truth in love" while "contending for the faith". I heartily recommend this work to anyone who wants to help the original Church of Jesus Christ.

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I want to encourage you and your church to tap into the ministry of Christian Research & Counsel. The Body of Christ can comfortably and safely embrace Tom Jones' teaching and counsel in the area of countercult apologetics. Although the content of this type of ministry is by nature confrontational, Tom uses a very non-confrontational style in his approach. He is truly an expert in Mormonism (and knowledgeable of many other cults) and pursues with a passion the battle against false religions. He has dedicated his life to this cause.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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The Ongoing Mission of CRC is:

- Helping families hurt by Mormonism²
- Educating the public about Mormonism
- Evangelizing Latter-day Saints



Tom Jones is the founder and President of CRC. His interaction with Mormonism began 22 years ago when his wife, who is still an active Latter-day Saint, rejoined the LDS Church after their marriage.

Tom has authored a variety of materials for educating and warning non-Mormons about Mormonism and evangelizing Latter-day Saints. To receive a list of resources, a statement of faith, the CRC newsletter, or to schedule a seminar, contact CRC at the address/phone/e-mail address below.

¹ CRC is supported by way of donations from individuals and churches and an all volunteer Staff and Board of Directors. We do appreciate love offerings but never expect them.

² Calls for help come from all over the country and are referred to CRC primarily by Focus on the Family and other Christian ministries. We help folks affected by other counterfeit religions as well (i.e., Jehovah's Witnesses) but our major focus is on The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.



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Five questions to determine whether to safeguard your church against Mormonism

1. Do the members of your church know an easy way to share their faith with Mormon (Latter-day Saint or LDS) friends and Missionaries without having a heated argument?

2. Do they know enough to warn Christian friends who say they're taking lessons from those sincere, young, clean cut, Mormon Missionaries?

3. Are they aware that Christian teens are often proselytized at the homes of Mormon friends where they are introduced to LDS Missionaries?

4. Do they have answers for the tricky questions Mormons are taught to ask their Christian friends about topics Christians don't usually study?

5. When their Mormon friends say they believe in God the Father and Jesus Christ, his son, the same as all Christian churches, do they know that the LDS have completely redefined those names.

If you can answer "no" to any of the above questions...

we recommend a two-part seminar (no obligation¹) to get your congregation up to speed on the teachings of Mormonism and a non-confrontational way of sharing the life changing message of the Gospel with their Mormon friends, family or LDS Missionaries.

Part 1: Understanding Your Mormon Friends

A shocking exposition and documentation of what Latter-day Saints mean when they use Christian-sounding expressions to describe their faith. Mormonism is clearly shown to be a counterfeit of Christianity. Your people will be equipped with the tools to inoculate their friends and neighbors against the Mormon deception. (About one hour, including Q&A)

Part 2: How Every Christian Can Witness to Mormons Without Quarreling

What both new and mature Christians can easily do to witness to Latter-day Saints. Includes an explanation of the Trinity in non-churchy language which has helped many Mormons as well as Christian lay people better understand this key doctrine. (About one hour, including Q&A)

Want more reasons to equip your members to protect their families from Mormonism?

44% Believe Mormonism is Compatible with Christianity

In October 2002, Barna Research reported that:

"... a plurality of adults (44%) contends that, "the Bible, the Koran and the Book of Mormon are all different expressions of the same spiritual truths." Just 38% of Americans reject that idea. The only population segments at odds with this view are those who are 57 or older (35% accept the notion, 36% reject it, the remaining 29% are not sure); evangelicals (10% agree with the statement, 84% disagree); non-evangelical born again Christians (40% agree, 45% disagree), and adherents of Protestant churches (39% agree, 47% disagree)." (Barna Research Group of Ventura, California, www.barna.org)

Mormonism is One of the Fastest Growing Churches

The study, *Religious Congregations and Membership: 2000*, found that the fastest-growing religious denomination in the last 10 years was the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, which enlists over 60,000 Mormon missionaries to proselytize door to door and boosted its membership in the United States by 19.3 percent to a total of 4.2 million [11,000,000+ worldwide] since the last survey in 1990. (Study conducted by Glenmary Research Center and sponsored by the Association of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies.)

Mormons Conceal Their True Beliefs

It's often said that all we have to do is teach the real thing and our people will automatically recognize the counterfeit. That would be true if Mormons were up front about their beliefs. But the Mormon Church is getting better and better at masking their true beliefs behind Christian sounding language. Their victims are lured into membership before they reveal enough of their true self to be recognized as a counterfeit. The church must be warned!

Mormonism Targets Our Youth

We answer distress calls from parents all over the country whose teenagers come to them, completely by surprise, announcing that they are going to join the Mormon Church. By that time, LDS Missionaries have quietly indoctrinated them in Mormon family settings, without the parents' knowledge, until they are so turned against Christianity that it's very difficult to reason with them.

Mormonism Targets Our Elderly

LDS Missionaries prey on the sensitivities of the elderly who have lost loved ones who had not accepted Christ before they died. They teach that the living can perform vicarious saving ordinances for their dead in order to be reunited with them for eternity. Needless to say, this is very attractive to those in this vulnerable position.

Make the Most of Your Seminar

The youth and the elderly don't normally show up at seminars held on days when they are not already at church. But, as prime targets of Mormonism, they need to be made aware of the LDS Missionaries' deceptive tactics. Also, those who attend church only on Sunday are the most likely to be vulnerable to false teachers at their door and need to be informed.

So we suggest a joint Sunday School Seminar with adults and youth together. This way, the whole church is equipped.

Probably, the best schedule is to have the first presentation, *Understanding Your Mormon Friends*, during Sunday School. Then, for those who want to learn about witnessing to Mormons (always a smaller group), have a Sunday after lunch or evening session when time will be less restrictive and the discussion can extend, if necessary, beyond the allotted time.

Too far away?

We'll do our best to connect you with an affiliated ministry in your state or schedule a seminar in conjunction with a mission trip through your area.