

UPDATE ON THE HEARTLINES PROJECT - 4TH JUNE 2008

“HEARTLINES I

In July 2006, the first phase of the campaign was launched. This included two main initiatives: a national broadcast of eight HEARTLINES films or dramas, with supporting print and below-the-line media components and the start of social mobilisation of faith-based organisations, during which FBOs were given relevant tools to teach values and were encouraged to undertake discussion-based activities.”

Since doing the review of the Heartlines website and of the Values Booklet I thought that though not many people would give heed to the warning concerning the project, that at least it would die down and become another fad. What I did not know is that that stint was just phase one in Heartlines agenda. Though it is not being publicised as it was when its films were being broadcast it is still very active in South Africa and active. The points that I made in the first two reviews still stand and are more apparent. It is not facilitating the growth of God’s kingdom but a counterfeit. Jesus said that the Gospel must be preached to all nations. The Gospel is a message about how sinful man, deserving of eternal judgment in the Lake of Fire, can be reconciled to a Holy God. It is through the substitution of Christ on the cross, taking the wrath of God, so that we can be forgiven and have newness of life. The Gospel is not driven by 8 values that all major faiths have in common.

“FBOs are particularly important in the values arena, as everyone is influenced (directly or indirectly) by their worldview or belief system when it comes to making life’s choices. The majority of South Africans look to the creator of these values to explore and understand issues of morality; according to the 2001 census, 83% of South Africans align themselves with one of the country’s four major religions. 79.8% of South Africans described themselves as Christian, 1.5% as Muslim, 1.2% as Hindu and 0.2% as Jewish.

HEARTLINES has met with leaders of the majority of church denominations and networks, all of whom fully support this initiative. Also consulted are Hindu, Jewish and Muslim leadership, who have welcomed a platform that can be used by all to encourage the practice of good values.

Churches: click [here](#) for more information.

RESOURCES FOR FAITH-BASED ORGANISATIONS

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VALUES DISCUSSION GUIDE

for all faith based organisations - adaptable to your faith community and including DVD with 17 minute edited versions of the 8 HEARTLINES films.”

Heartlines sounds more like a government agency seeking to use religion to better society, than an Biblically evangelical enterprise. Speaking to churches there is much biblical quotation concerning meeting social need (which is something I am in full agreement with) but nothing on purity of doctrine. Indeed they cannot because in their list of churches that are in full support of Heartlines we see the following groups.

CHURCHES

- Church of England in South Africa
- Church of the Province of Southern Africa
- Apostolic Faith Mission
- Assemblies of God
- Baptist Convention of Southern Africa
- Baptist Union of South Africa
- Ethiopian Episcopal Church
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in Southern Africa
- Free Methodist Church in SA
- Full Gospel Church of God
- Hatfield Christian Church
- His People Christian Church
- Moravian Church
- National Baptist Church of South Africa
- Nederduitse Gereformeerde Kerk
- New Covenant Ministries International
- The Salvation Army
- South African Catholic Bishops' Conference (Wilfrid Cardinal Napier)**
- The Alliance Church in South Africa
- The Methodist Church of Southern Africa
- The Moravian Church
- United Congregational Church in South Africa
- Uniting Presbyterian Church in Southern Africa
- Vineyard Christian Fellowship

CHRISTIAN ORGANISATIONS

- African Enterprise
- Consultation of Christian Churches – Western Cape
- HISNET
- International Federation of Christian Churches
- Jericho Walls
- South African Christian Leadership Assembly
- South African Council of Churches

- The Evangelical Alliance of South Africa
- Transformations Africa
- Transforming Tshwane
- Walk thru the Bible

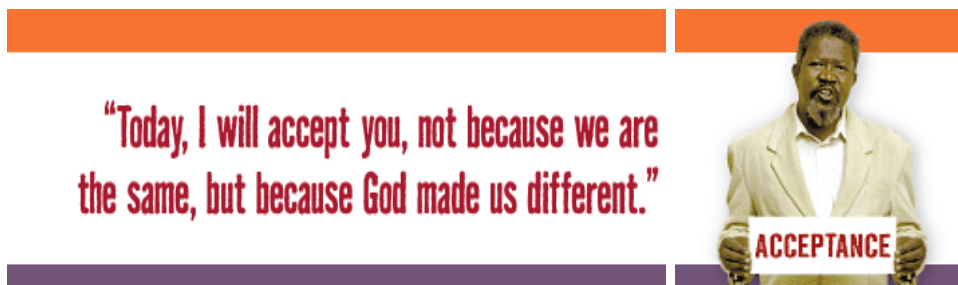
How can an evangelical enterprise work alongside the Roman Catholic Church? Simply because it is no longer Evangelical. Rather it is ecumenical and multifaith. It's involvement with churches such as Vineyard and New Covenant Ministries International would be questionable in the least but when it becomes ecumenical and multifaith then we have a total departure from the Truth of the Faith. Heartlines is doing the same thing that Satan did when he tempted Jesus in the wilderness. When they say,

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they are doing the same thing as Satan did. Adapting the word of God to his own religion. In their page of ecumenical dialogue the heading comes as follows



If you apply this to Churches, then you would have to take that to the extent of religious cults such as the Jehovah's witnesses, or the Mormons. You would have to accept them on the group on the basis of their difference. How dangerous this is!

In their March Newsletter the main article is

“Inspirational Tutu joins as patron”

This is a person who is for the ordination of Homosexuals and wants to integrate homosexuality into the church in order to celebrate the 'rainbow of God'. Surely this should cause evangelicals to hear alarm bells.

“HEARTLINES, the mass media project that promotes good values, cannot condemn too

strongly the intimidation, tragic loss of life and random destruction of property that is engulfing the nation. Preying on the helplessness of the most vulnerable, especially those who come to South Africa seeking sanctuary is a negation of “ubuntu” a value inherent in African culture. Nothing can justify this mayhem.

All people of goodwill – **irrespective of race, creed or culture** – are banding together to assist the thousands of victims of the current Xenophobia that is sweeping the country. HEARTLINES, through its recently launched ‘forgood’ network is galvanising into action, groups and individuals to act out - through compassion and caring – the values on which the movement is founded. It will also direct those who have joined the movement to the following organisations:”

This is not promoting the kingdom of God where Jesus said that our ‘acceptance’ into the kingdom depends on what we believe concerning Jesus. If we don’t believe He is the only way and the only begotten Son of the Father, being one with the Father, then we are not accepted as part of that kingdom.

No longer is Heartlines wearing the title, ‘Values that connect’ but now it is ‘Heartlines for good’. But good by what definition? By man’s definition and when Peter the apostle rebuked Jesus for talking of crucifixion, Jesus called him Satan (adversary) because his thoughts were set on the things of men and not of God. Thus this project is, by Jesus definition, something satanic. When Israel were in the wilderness, because Moses took so long to get back, they did not wait for his return but took matters into their own hands and built a Golden calf. The Calf was to lead them to the promised land. Instead of looking to Jesus to rule the world in righteousness, and obeying Him in doing good to those around us and in sharing the uncompromising gospel; this initiative is a golden calf that is trying to short cut its way to establish Jesus’ kingdom without the King, without emphasising His cross and His blood as the only means of forgiveness.

What I find more amazing than this is that I can find no voice of discernment speaking about Heartlines on the internet. The only voice is the one article on the South African section of the Moriel Website.

Churches of South Africa, true believers in South Africa, I plead with you, please get out of this initiative. Do good, preach the Gospel but do not be party to this spiritual harlot.

God bless you

Salvador Ung Hayworth.

P.S - For those who want to read my original Heartlines review here is the

link.

http://www.moriel.org/articles/notice_board/heartlines_review.htm

And for those who would like to read my review of the Heartlines Values book, just email and I will send it.

The website for Heartlines is www.heartlines.org.za