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FOREWORD

Any faithful explanation of the value of the Sabbath for mankind in these closing days of the earth's history is helpful to the growth in knowledge of God's people. With the many complicated attacks on God's Sabbath, helpful revelations are to be welcomed.

The Sabbath is to become the time-expression of sinfreeness at a time when sinfreeness in God's people at all times, is necessary for God to lay claim of the earth against Satan's final effort to at least, gain a one world government of his subjects. Satan has sought to destroy its moral potency to aid in sinfreeness by clouding its real value and theological significance. Therefore we need answers, faithful answers, to maintain and increase the faith-value of the Sabbath as it relates to sinfreeness.

Satan claims that he is God as God is God. The Sabbath claims that YHWH alone is God as is seen in His sole ability to create.

Satan also claims to be Creator, but of an evolutionary type, yet how can we know who is the true God and true Creator? The only real test is that of spiritual creation, while Satan has spiritual evolution. God's spiritual creation is sinfreeness at all times, while Satan's followers have nothing but sin from their doctrine of lawlessness, while claiming to be spiritual.

Evidently God and Satan cannot be the same God as is seen in their moral products. While the Sabbath of YHWH expresses God's creating of all-time sinfreeness, Satan's false Sabbath which is Sunday holiness can do nothing but express rebellion in a religious guise. Thus God and Satan is not the same God as Satan claims, and it is to help us see the value of the Sabbath and the error of Sunday holiness that this book is written.

I highly recommend this book to all to help in theology and history concerning the Sabbath. May God bless you.

Amen.

Nyron Medina

PREFACE

This book was written based on events that transpired in the island of St. Vincent W.I, during my second missionary journey to that country. We of Thusia Seventh Day Adventist there encountered Dr. Samuele Bacchiocchi giving his so-called Sabbath lectures during the 'Adventist Heritage Celebration' on Sabbath 14th October 2000 in the capital, Kingstown. Thus the criticisms made of the book 'From Sabbath to Sunday' was done to set straight the truths of the Sabbath that Dr. Bacchiocchi has dared to tarnish and pervert.

My deepest God influenced intention, is that this small book will enlighten all Adventists who sincerely reads and studies the truths and facts given herein.

By God's grace, it shows the rejection of the 1888 message and the result of doctrinal apostasy that continues to happen within SDA Organization and the fraternizing of the SDA Organization with Rome. It is my deepest hope and prayer that this small book will be a voice to the many lukewarm backsliding SDA Churches, to stir them into a true revival and love for the pure faith of Jesus Christ.

I do deeply give thanks to God and Christ that by the Spirit of Truth this book has been made possible.

May God bless all who have helped and the blessing of Justification by Faith be to the faithful reader. **Amen**

INTRODUCTION

This book is an attempt to correct the 'anti-Sabbath' concepts that are scattered in Dr. Bacchiocchi's book 'From Sabbath to Sunday.' However, we did not stop there, it was necessary to show statements made by Mrs. Ellen G. White, of the general state of the SDA church as it entered into apostasy, especially on the Sabbath point as a result of the rejection of the 1888 message of Righteousness by Faith.

Dr. Bacchiocchi's book desecrates the Holy Sabbath, thus making void the validity and sacredness of the pillar of faith, once delivered to the saints, the pioneers of SDA. The Seventh Day Adventist churches link with the Roman Catholic Church and the lack of the spirit of revival, necessitate the position that we of Thusia SDA have taken. We are of that little company' within the SDA organization, who are standing in the light and sighing and crying for the many abominations that are being done in the land and in the churches.

Thusia SDA is an independent Adventist Church within Adventism and we are that revival and reformation that was spoken of by Mrs. White, she said, "A revival of true godliness among us is the greatest and most urgent of all our needs. To seek this should be our first work.' 'A revival and reformation must take place, under the ministration of the Holy Spirit.'" **Selected Messages Bk I p. 122,128.**

How did Mrs. White show this revival and reformation will start, she says: "The time has come for a thorough reformation to take place. When this reformation begins, the spirit of prayer will activate every believer and will banish from the church the spirit of discord and strife. Those who have not been living in Christian fellowship will draw close to one another. One member working in right lines will lead other members to unite with him in making intercession for the revelation of the Holy Spirit.'" **Testimonies Vol. 8 p. 251**

This has been the experience to the rise and development of Thusia SDA by the humble dedicated, sincere studies and prayer of our beloved Bro. Nyron Medina. This revival began in Trinidad W.I in 1982.

In the Caribbean, Thusia SDA is the revival of true Adventism and all due to the mature and developed systematic theology and prophecy given by the ministration of the Holy Spirit. Thus we are mandated by God to be the 'correctors of all heretics' of false religions and false theology.

By God's grace we labor to enlighten all Adventists of their true calling and to take the message of Righteousness by Faith (as was presented in 1888) to all churches. It was our mission to enlighten the many Adventists who were at the meetings of Dr. Bacchiocchi in St. Vincent, during the Adventist Heritage Celebration. Our confrontation with the speaker and other ministers and members has led to much inquiry about the book, 'From Sabbath to Sunday'. Most, if not all Adventists in St. Vincent, are ignorant of the real destructive nature of its contents in

regards to the Sabbath.

In the meeting, we questioned Dr. Bacchiocchi of certain points which he avoided, and also the President of the East Caribbean Conference of SDA, Pastor James Daniel, who made scathing derogatory remarks against us, Thusia SDA. The whole event had a national impact, as we were interviewed by a local newspaper "The Vincentian" by reporter Ashford Peters.

Also there was a radio broadcast of the events between Thusia and Pastor James Daniel. The full texts of the interview with "The Vincentian" reporter is herein included as an appendix .

Even though we of Thusia SDA are now facing threats by the SDA Organization for us to stop using the name SDA, we are growing in influence and nothing could be done against the truth but for the truth. We shall not compromise but endure for Christ's Righteousness.

Finally, the criticisms made of the errors, of the Sabbath by Dr. Bacchiocchi are corrected mainly by scripture and few E. G White statements, thus it is proof that our stand is on scripture. The bible is our proof of authority to correct heretics.

May God richly bless all with sinfreeness as the ideal in this end of time, for evil and wicked men wax worse and are deceiving masses, as the doctrine of demons take hold of the multitudes.

May Yahweh grant His divine grace as we hasten the seconding coming of Jesus Christ.

Amen

CHAPTER I

The Rejection of the 1888 Message and Sabbath Apostasy

The reason why such a book as 'From Sabbath to Sunday' could be written, is due to the fact that the author has been drinking from the apostate streams of Seventh Day Adventism in their theological errors. More so, he is drunk with the false and burning wine of Babylon of the Roman Catholic devil inspired doctrines and concepts. Thus to understand this, I must briefly show the apostasy that has taken place in Seventh Day Adventism which will lead to the Sabbath apostasy. Ellen G. White declared that the 1888 message of righteousness (justification) by faith was the revival for the SDA Church which would of allow them if accepted, to receive the latter rain of the Holy Spirit. She says :

"The Lord in His great mercy sent a most precious message to His people through Elders Waggoner and Jones. This message was to bring more prominently before the world the uplifted Savior, the sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. It presented justification through faith in the surety; it invited the people to receive the righteousness of Christ, which is made manifest in obedience to all the commandments of God... This is the third angel's message, which is to be proclaimed with a loud voice, and attended with the outpouring of His spirit in a large measure." E. G. White, Testimonies To Ministers p. 91-92.

This message was of such holy inspiration and power that Mrs. White declared it would of caused the world to end and bring Christ's return to take His people into the heavenly kingdom.

"I saw that Jones and Waggoner had their counterpart in Joshua and Caleb. As the children of Israel stoned the spies with literal stones, you have stoned these brethren tents mimicking and making all manner of fun of these two brethren. I also saw that if you had accepted their message, we -would have been in the Kingdom two years from that date, but now we have to go back into the wilderness and stay forty years." Written from Melbourne Australia, May 9, 1892.

She further shows that this message was rejected and will be rejected by the majority when it comes again in the near time.

"In 1888 in the General Conference held at Minneapolis, Minn., the angel of Revelation 18:1 came down to do his work and was ridiculed, criticized and rejected. And when the message he brings again, swells into a Loud Cry, it will again be ridiculed spoken against and be rejected by the majority." E. G. White, Taking Up a Reproach.

So what is seen by these few but very potent statements by the Lord's messenger, is that the SDA church would have been triumphant and finished with this world, if the 1888 message of

righteousness by faith had been accepted. Now look at the state of affairs in the SDA organization concerning true religion.

*"Infidelity has been making its in-roads into our ranks; for it is the fashion to depart from Christ, and give place to skepticism. With many the cry of the heart has been, 'we will not have this man to reign over us.' Baal, Baal is the choice. The religion of many among us will be the religion of apostate Israel, because they love their own way and forsake the way of the Lord. The true religion, the only religion of the bible, that teaches forgiveness only through the merits of a crucified and risen Savior, that advocates righteousness by the faith of the Son of God, has been slighted, spoken against, ridiculed and rejected. It has been denounce as leading to enthusiasm and fanaticism." **Testimonies To Ministers p. 467,468***

Because of rejecting true religion in Christ, in the 1888 message, the SDA Church is seen to form a new organization which Mrs. White views as apostate in doctrine and faith. Thus giving up the pillars of our faith. It is a satanic influence.

*"The enemy of souls has sought to bring in the supposition that a great reformation was to take place among Seventh Day Adventists, and that this reformation would consist in giving up the doctrines which stand as the pillars of our faith... A new organization would be established. Books of a new order would be written. As systems of intellectual philosophy would be introduced... the Sabbath, of course, would be lightly regarded, as also the God who created it." **Special Testimonies, Series B#7 p. 39 - 40 Oct 1903***

Thus there is to be an apostasy in Adventism in regards to the Sabbath, to replace it with a false and spurious Sabbath of the first day.

*"The Lord has a controversy with His professed people in these last days. In this controversy men in responsible positions will take a course directly opposite to that pursued by Nehemiah. They will not only ignore and despise the Sabbath themselves, but they will try to keep it from others by burying it beneath the rubbish of custom and tradition... In churches and in large gatherings in the open air, ministers will urge upon the people the necessity of keeping The first day of the week." **Review and Herald, Vol. I p. 405.***

*"Under the leadership of Satan, men will dispense with the righteous, holy enactments of God concerning the Sabbath, the observance of which is to be a sign between God and His people forever..." **Signs of the Times, Vol. 4 p. 77 (Nov. 22 1899)***

What is being seen by these statements of Mrs. White is the terrible state of affairs that the apostasy within SDA turns out to be, so far as to give up the Sabbath of the ten commandments which is the sign of us being the true people of God. Here is evidence of the Sabbath being given up by Seventh Day Adventist writers:

"While the Sabbath commandment has a distinct practical value; the specific day, in and of

itself, doesn't. Thus... keeping any other day could work." **Clifford Goldstein, A Pause for Peace: What God's Gift of the Sabbath can Mean for you p. 114 (published by the Pacific Press Publishing Association in 1992).**

"...other Christians have charged that we Seventh Day Adventist are legalist in our emphasis on the fourth commandment, and, of course, they are right..." **President Robert Folkenberg, We Still Believe, p. 66.**

"What do Seventh Day Adventists believe? Hear Pastor/Evangelist Jere Webb, present a fresh look at 'The Truth!' subjects include... 'Christ centered reasons for Sunday worship' ..." **Sabbath Statements of Apostasy, p. 4 Pacific Union Recorder, June 4 1990**

Herein is proof for the apostasy from the Sabbath taking place now. Soon Sunday worship will be accepted. Mrs. White was right.

Thus it is that the majority who are not genuine in their love for God, there is truly only a remnant that is faithful to the principles that makes us Seventh Day Adventist. This little company stand in the light and shows the evils that are done within the church organization.

"At the time when the danger and depression of the church are greatest, the little company who are standing in the light will be sighing and crying for the abominations that are done in the land. But more especially will their prayers arise in behalf of the church because its members are doing after the manner of the world. Testimonies For The Church, Vol. 5, p. 209,210.

In the light of these matters we can see why persons such as Dr. Samuel Bacchiocchi, could be so deceptive and misled to write such subtle perversions of the bible Sabbath of the ten commandments. He is one of those who are under the leadership of Satan to make void the nobility and sanctity of the Sabbath.

The campaign of this Dr. Bacchiocchi in proclaiming he has been given light from God on the Sabbath is an attempt to cause many Adventist to lose sight of the real truth of the Sabbath and in the crisis time, accept the papal day of honor, which is Sunday. Indeed books of a new order is being written in Adventism which introduces 'a system of intellectual philosophy' and hence that, "The Sabbath of cause, would be lightly regarded,' as Mrs. White stated. This is why to criticize the book 'From Sabbath to Sunday' is essential so that many will see the attempts to destroy the Sabbath, by a prominent scholar among Adventist, by his presence in a Roman Catholic university. This shows the compromise and fraternizing with the Papacy and its false demonic teachings, that has taken place in Dr. Bacchiocchi's mind and many top SDA ministers. Again Sister White speaks out.

"There is to be no compromise with those who are worshipping an idol Sabbath." **Selected Messages, Vol. 2 p. 365.**

She admonishes strongly to the Little Company of genuine Adventist who stands in the light.

*"Let it be understood that Seventh Day Adventists can make no compromise... The Comforter, the Holy Spirit, which Christ said He would send into the world, was to bear an unwavering testimony." **Counsels to Writers and Editors, p. 94-95.***

She also says:

*"As a people, we are to stand firm on the platform of eternal truth that has withstood the test and trial. We are to hold to the sure pillars of our faith. The principles of truth that God has revealed to us are our only true foundation." **Special Testimonies, Series B# 2, p. 51.5.***

Thus we can declare that those who are true Seventh Day Adventist stands on the truth of Christ (Jn. 14:6). The Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth, stands and is built on "the rock" (Christ) and the gates of hell shall not prevail (triumph) against it.' (1 Tim. 3:15; Matt 16:18).

CHAPTER 2

Links Of Apostasy To Rome

All due to the rejection of the revival and reformation that came in the message of righteousness by faith in 1888, the Seventh Day Adventist organization has been sinking into deeper apostasy and making alliances with the Roman Catholic Church. Hence we can see why this deceptive book by Dr. Bacchicocchi is accepted by the Roman Catholic Pope and priests and given much praise. The Adventist organization does not have a firm stand against Babylon, (R. C. Church). And of the SDA organization Mrs. White says,

*"It is a backsliding church that lessens the distance between itself and the Papacy." **Signs of the Times, February 19, 1894.***

In a sworn affidavit (1975) from the past SDA General Conference President, Neal C. Wilson, we can see the change of view to the evil of the Roman Catholic Church. Proof of the SDA organization being in apostasy. He states:

*"Although it is true that there was a period in the life of the Seventh Day Adventist Church when the denomination took a distinctly anti-Roman Catholic viewpoint, and the term 'hierarchy' was used in a pejorative sense to refer to the Papal form of church governance, that attitude on the church's part was nothing more than a manifestation of widespread anti-papery among conservative protestant denominations in the early part of this century and the latter part of the last, and which has now been consigned to the historical trash heap so far as the Seventh Day Adventist Church is concerned." **Reply Brief for The Defendant, p. 4, case #c-74-2025, CBR. March 30,1975***

Does not this call for deep concern, as to where those men who claim to be God's ministers are leading the people? Are not SDA called to separate from Babylon and to call people from out of her? But they are fast becoming one of them. Again says Ellen White:

"We are in danger of becoming a sister to fallen Babylon, of allowing our churches to become corrupted, and filled with every foul spirit, a cage for every unclean and Hateful bird." **Letter 51, Sept 6.1886.**

Such are the words of God's messenger herself. The fact is proven that the SDA organization unites with other false religions as with the Roman Catholic Church. The alliance with Rome is seen in the affiliations that the SDA organization has with the World Council of Churches (W.C.C). Here is some brief facts to prove it. In 1973, the World Council of Churches published a book entitled, 'So Much in Common', (SMC) this book contained, documents of interests in the conversations between the World Council of Churches and the Seventh-Day Adventist Church." (P.I)

"Strange as it may seem, these yearly consultations [conversations between representatives of the W.C.C and the SDA Church] were an indirect by-product of Vatican II. In fact, -while in Rome in connection with the Vatican Council a W.C.C. staff member and an Adventist representative came to the conclusion that an informal meeting of a small group of Seventh Day Adventists with an equal number of representatives, from the World Council Of Churches would fulfill a useful purpose." **So Much In Common, p. 98.**

*"Subsequent meetings have become somewhat more formal, in the sense that the employing bodies of the SDA participants have authorized and financed their presence and the Executive Committees of the three Adventist divisions involved have given their blessings by facilitating the selection of the SDA representatives; the World Council of Churches has defrayed the expenses of its group. The General Conference of Seventh Day Adventist has been kept informed regarding the meetings though it has taken no direct, active part in the consultations, except through its three European Divisional Branch offices. " **Ibid.** (All quotes taken from document "Steps to Rome" by Wm. H Grotheer, p. 3)*

Thus we can see that Adventist has had and still has affiliation with these apostate Babylonian false religions. So that Dr. Bacchiocchi is no strange proof, but further ratifies that he also is in alliance with the Roman Catholic Church and its intentions against the Remnant church of true SDA.

(See appendix B for documented evidence of Seventh Day Adventism and the World Council of Churches and further Papal and Adventist relations).

CHAPTER 3

Entering Into Rome Is Compromise

To begin the expose on the book *'From Sabbath to Sunday,'* it is necessary to show how it is a product of Papal compromise. The fact that this book was accepted by Catholic scholars of the Jesuit order and get their authorization, could be nothing short of the fact that the book has papal compromise of errors favoring Sunday as the Lord's day and the Seventh Day Sabbath being compromised and made void.

I will start by showing that to enter into that pontifical Gregorian University, firstly, one must consider the Jesuit priest, who are they, and that the receiving of the imprimatur is proof that Dr. Bacchiocchi is in subtle connection with Rome to destroy the SDA Church.

It is said on 'page 3' of the book *'From Sabbath to Sunday'* '... Dr. Samuele Bacchiocchi was the first non-Catholic to graduate from the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome.' This is serious compromise and signs of who is on Rome's side. That University which was established around the 15th century is known to be the highest Catholic Jesuit training school, and of course is only for Catholics.

Why is Dr. Bacchiocchi who is supposed to be a Seventh Day Adventist, (a heretic as far as the Papacy is concerned) who is suppose to stand on the ground of adverse anti-papal, anti-Roman Catholic doctrines, the first non-Catholic to go there?. Does not SDA have their own University called Andrews University, of which the Doctor is a theological professor? So why did he go to the Roman Catholic Jesuit University to research the change of the Sabbath and the history of Sunday? The information in his book is available in many other places.

But what is more shocking is that Dr. Bacchiocchi's professor at the Gregorian University was a Jesuit priest called 'Vincenzo Monachino (S.J) Chairman of the church history department, pontifical Gregorian University.' (**Ibid. p. 3**). The S.J. means Society of Jesuits, but who are the Jesuits? To quote a few sources.

*"The Jesuits belong to an order but are not Monastic, and usually are engaged in educational work in the colleges and seminaries. " "The Jesuit order was founded by Ignatius Loyola, a Spanish soldier priest, in 1534. " "The Jesuits are tightly organized under a military type of discipline and their number is relatively fewer than those of the other Orders. Their influence, however, has been out of proportion to their numbers. For centuries they have been the real power behind the Papacy..." **Lorraine Boettner, Roman Catholicism, p. 302,67.***

This shows that the Jesuits existence was at a time when the reformation was in full development and that the Roman Catholic Church's influence was threatened by the pure doctrines of the Bible preached by the Reformers. Here is what Mrs. White has to say of the Jesuits during the time of the French Reformation.

*"Throughout Christendom, Protestantism was menaced by formidable foes. The first triumphs of the reformation past, Rome summoned new forces, hoping to accomplish its destruction. At this time the order of the Jesuits was created the most cruel, unscrupulous and powerful of all the champions of popery. Jesuitism inspired its followers with a fanaticism that enabled them to endure like dangers and to oppose to the power of truth all the weapons of deception..., it was their studied aim to secure wealth and power, to be devoted to the overthrow of Protestantism and the re-establishment of the papal supremacy. The Jesuits rapidly spread themselves over Europe and whenever they went, there followed a revival of popery." **Great Controversy p. 234,235 (hardcover)***

In the light of these facts we can see that the Jesuits are no simple association of priests in the Roman Catholic Church. That it is their studied effort to infiltrate the protestants churches and remove them from their strong position of truth in the bible which are against the traditions and dogmas of doctrines of the Roman Catholic Church. The remnant church of God SDA is now under such attack from the Jesuits. Is it that Dr. Samuel Bacchiocchi has subjected his mind to the skills and agenda of the Jesuits against God's people in destroying their foundation in the Sabbath truth?

Further proof of the deep compromise that was made by Bacchiocchi is the fact that his book was able to gain the achievement of the IMPRIMATUR' by the 'Rector Universitatis. R.P HERVE Carrier, S.I' (see p. 4 of 'From Sabbath To Sunday').

Now what does it mean for a book written by a non-Catholic to gain this high Roman Catholic authorization? It is that the contents of the book is in no way out of harmony with the views and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church. To quote a source:

"Throughout the Roman Catholic systems of 'education' from the parochial schools to the colleges and seminaries, the teachers, who for the most part are nuns and priests, have studied particularly nothing, except what has borne the official Imprimatur' '(let it be published)' of the church"
Roman Catholicism, p. 364.

Therefore this book of Dr. Bacchiocchi, 'From Sabbath to Sunday' is material suitable for Catholic educationalists also, and we all know they reject the Sabbath light. Then this book is written to aid the Catholic false concepts of the Sabbath and give more credence to Sunday worship. Why should Bacchiocchi rejoice of the spurious outcome that was awarded his efforts? The book really misrepresents issues of the Sabbath, thus for it to receive papal sanction is facts that true and real Seventh Day Adventist should reject such a book. Worse yet that He was awarded highest honors for that book is sure compromise of the truth, even to the point that Bacchiocchi got a gold medal from Pope Paul VI. He surely loves the praise of men (who hate truth). This award proves that Christ was not honored in Dr. Bacchiocchi.

Could you imagine that YHWH God telling one of His many prophets to enter into one of the great learning centers of Egypt, Babylon and Canaan and then proclaim truth against the

Sabbath, yet say that YHWH God has used them?

The example of Moses shows differently; he had to unlearn the concepts of Egypt. All that Joseph learnt in Egypt he turned to glorify God and win many converts to YHWH. Daniel and the Hebrew princes also glorified YHWH greatly, because many were converted, even the King of Babylon.

Who has Dr. Bacchiocchi converted to the Sabbath light? Oh God, surely not Pope Paul VI or any of his professors in that University. God shall judge this man's works, for they transgress God's holy law and surely his reward shall be bitter, unless Dr. Bacchiocchi repents of his heresies and humble before Jesus Christ, the truth.

See appendix A (Dr. Bacchiocchi's anti-Sabbath reward).

CHAPTER 4

Making The Sabbath Jewish Is Blasphemy

The idea of the Sabbath that Dr. Bacchiocchi gives is attributed to it being a 'Jewish Festival, a Jewish Tradition' or just a 'Jewish Sabbath.' To put such titles to the holy Seventh Day Sabbath is definitely taking away the solemnity and sacred divine importance that God has placed on the Sabbath. In this papal approved book, 'From Sabbath to Sunday' the Seventh Day Sabbath is entitled as 'Jewish' nine times. Let's quote Dr. Bacchiocchi's own book on this.

The first time it is mentioned is in the preface of the book which was written by the Jesuit priest Vincenzo Monachion (S.J) He calls it "...the Jewish Sabbath." on page 7. This is proven to be very prominent, because Dr. Bacchiocchi himself uses the term after, 'three times' in identifying the Sabbath, thus he slavishly follows the concepts of the Jesuit priest. He says as regarding Sunday to the Sabbath:

"Can this day be regarded as the legitimate replacement of the Jewish Sabbath?" (p. II).

This statement is vile because Sunday is taken by Catholics and fallen apostate Protestants and spiritualistic evangelicals as a substitute for the Sabbath of Yahweh not Jewish Sabbath. Again he calls the Sabbath Jewish in contrast to Sunday:

"...the new Christian day of worship in contradistinction to the Jewish Sabbath..." (p. 307).

Was the problem in the first and third century, the Jews concept? Or that the so called pagan Christians wanted to honor the pantheistic gods represented in the worship of Sunday? The

Jewish rendering to the Sabbath makes the issue the Jews concept of salvation, which was erroneous and also to make the Jewish race peculiar above all. The last mention of Jewish Sabbath states:

"... that Sunday liturgy and rest were patterned only gradually after the Jewish Sabbath."
(p. 309,310).

This is really a blasphemous conclusion to draw on any point, because Sunday worship is not in any way patterned to the Seventh Day Sabbath. Just to replace the Sabbath was the purpose of Sunday. There is no Jewish contention on the Sabbath, so that Sunday worship should pattern it. What Dr. Bacchiocchi did here is to reduce the Sabbath of Yahweh to an apostate racially deranged people, who rejected the Sabbath to follow pantheistic gods and idols of Egypt and the Canaanites.

Hear what God says, "...moreover also I gave them my Sabbaths, to be a sign between me and them, that they might know that I am the LORD that sanctify them, but the house of Israel rebelled against me... and my Sabbaths they greatly polluted..." (Eze 20:12,13).

The supreme nobility of the Sabbath is seen in the Law of God, the ten commandments, and in no way is it called 'Jewish' but '...the Seventh Day is the Sabbath of the LORD (Yahweh) thy God...' Exo 20:10. This is God's standard in regards to the Sabbath.

Also we shall again see the Jewishness used as religious to degrade the Sabbath, he says, '...Jewish converts deeply attached to Jewish religious observances such as Sabbath keeping.' (p. 304).

The extent of the insult done here, is that those Jewish converts who rejected the ceremonial systems and saw Christ as the full light of truth, were now in obedience to God and Christ in keeping the law and the Sabbath as a Jewish religious observance.

Dr. Bacchiocchi is saying that those who kept the Sabbath was doing so in keeping a Jewish religious observance. Where does that leave all Adventists who are Sabbath keepers? Are we all keeping a Jewish religious observance? So then the Sabbath was given to the Jews only?

Again to quote, showing it in substitution to Sunday, or should I say Catholic religious observances or ancient pantheistic mystery religious practices.

"...but also substituted character is the Jewish religious observance such as Passover and the Sabbath with Easter Sunday and the weekly Sunday," p. 305

Here a clear idea could be seen as to how Dr. Bacchiocchi speaks as a trained catholic, who says that the Passover is to be linked to the concepts of Easter Sunday? The ceremonial Passover was substituted by the neo (new) Passover called the Lord's supper, this was done by Christ, see

(Matt 26:26-28; 1 Cor. 11:23-26).

At no time the Passover could be termed Jewish for all peoples that came in the nation of Israel or Judah did partake of the various feasts. For it is one law for the Israelite or Jews and the same for the stranger and this has strong reference to the Sabbath as well. 'One law shall be to him that is home born and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you.' (Exo 12:49; Num 15:16).

The Sabbath certainly is not Jewish because it was given to man even Adam in the Garden of Eden, long before any Jew existed. 'And on the Seventh Day God ended his work..... And God blessed the Seventh Day and sanctified it...' (Gen 2.23). So there is nothing religiously Jewish, except as Paul calls it in reference to the ceremonial laws of sacrifices being used as a means of gaining righteousness and salvation. Also using the law often commandments as works to get salvation or righteousness by works. The use of these by the Jews were void of faith which Christ gives to those who truly believe.

Paul states thus "...in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God and wasted it ..." (Gal 2:13,14). Here Paul was in the Jewish religion and was a persecutor of the holy Christians of God. More so the Jews religion used by Paul is called 'circumcision in the flesh' or 'as touching the law a Pharisee'. It is counted as dung and his own righteousness which should be rejected for the righteousness of God by faith in Christ.' (Phil 3:5,8,9).

So the Bible identifies Jewish religions or anything Jewish as vain, it is sinful in God's eyes because they were rebellious and went into apostasy. More so they rejected the Messiah Jesus Christ. It is only true religion founded in Christ that keeps oneself unspotted from the world that glorifies God (Jam 1:27).

The author again shows how much he has drunken of the unclean waters and doctrines of devils in Rome and the spiritualistic Sabbath hating Pentecostal evangelicals by calling the Sabbath a tradition, institution and festival of the Jews.

"To abandon the immemorial and prominent Jewish tradition of Sabbath-keeping in favor of a new day of worship." (p. 13).

Of course all traditions of men are useless and vain before God, so to call the Sabbath a tradition, then it is to end with the Jewish people as they are no longer a nation chosen by God, due to rejection of the Messiah Jesus Christ. Thus the Sabbath will have no eternal existence according to tradition, but the bible speaks otherwise. 'For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me... from one Sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the Lord.' (Isa 66:22,23).

As an institution, he says,

"...Judeo-Christian, had been loyal to basic Jewish religious institution, such as Passover and the Sabbath. " (p. 163).

Also calling it a festival, the author declares,

"...of observance of characteristics Jewish festivals such as the Passover and the Sabbath, which most Christians still observed." (p. 307).

Those statements are proven to greatly discredit the validity of genuine Christians, such as Seventh-Day Adventists who keep the Sabbath. 'We will be keeping a Jewish institution or festival, hence there is nothing Christian about the Sabbath. 'Dr. Bacchiocchi is desecrating and blaspheming the Sabbath of Yahweh and sanctioning Sunday in favor of biased Catholics and Evangelicals. To prove that these concepts of Jewish Sabbath that is phrased in the book 'From Sabbath to Sunday' are truly wrong and represents anti-Sabbath arguments:

The Catholic catechism says,

" ...Sunday fulfill the spiritual truth of the Jewish Sabbath and announces man's eternal rest in God. " Geoffery Chapman, Catechism of the Catholic Church, p. 470

The Evangelicals proclaim,

*"God does not want Christians to observe the Jewish Sabbath and plainly says so... " "...Seventh Day Adventists and others who insist that we ought to keep the Jewish Sabbath fail in this matter every week." **John R. Rice, Sunday or Sabbath, p. 7,17.***

Does not this show that to use the titles Jewish in reference to the Sabbath is plainly anti-scripture and anti-SDA position? Yes, Dr. Bacchiocchi by this has proven the real nature of his agendas. He has discredited and blasphemed the validity of the Sabbath to the glory of our Sabbath haters such as the Evangelicals especially the Roman Catholic Church.

The testimony of the bible is plain on this, for Christ Jesus said 'The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath. Therefore the Son of Man is Lord also of the Sabbath.' (Mk 2:27,28). This text makes it plain that the Sabbath is for all mankind and Jesus is Lord of it. Certainly Christ is Savior of all humanity and not only Jews. The high and holy claims of the Sabbath of Yahweh is made empty and thus profaned and blasphemed by calling it Jewish. The Sabbath is Yahweh's sign; Christ is Yahweh of the Sabbath.

CHAPTER 5

Sunday As Lord's Day Degrades the Seventh Day Sabbath

This part of which we are to deal with shows that Sunday worship which is originally pantheistic in its representation of the sun, a symbol of the devilish gods of pantheism, and how it gains supremacy above the Sabbath because it is being called 'the Lord's Day'. This is what Dr. Bacchiocchi does in such a way as to give Sunday such prominence. The term Lord's day is attributed to Sunday so much times (over one hundred and sixty times at least), that one will be mentally wearied and accept it is so because of its much repetitions. Now of all the times such a phrase is used, we will only make mention of it seven times, due to how it is used in degrading the Seventh Day Sabbath.

The first most abominable use is by the Jesuit priest again, he says, "The abandonment of the Sabbath and the adoption of Sunday as the Lord's Day..." (p. 7,8). This statement makes it evident that the Sabbath was never the Lord's day, so that when Sunday was bought into Christianity, to replace the true Sabbath, it came being the Lord's day as though Christ the Lord gave it. This is sure papal subtle deception.

Dr. Bacchiocchi uses it in such ways that greatly injures the Sabbath , he states '...such as the sanctification of the Lord's day.' (p. 9). Here Dr. Bacchiocchi uses it rather loosely, one can refer it to Sunday or the Seventh Day Sabbath. But it could really be seen as to mean the first day. So then is the first day 'Sunday' to be sanctified as the Lord's day? No! it cannot be done because this is an abomination to God.

Again he says,

"Many well meaning Christians views Sunday observance as the hour of worship; rather than as the holy day of the Lord." (p. 10).

Now why does he have to state Sunday in such a manner, this is giving Sunday a status that does not belong to it. Sunday should never be looked upon as a day of worship nor the holy day of Yahweh by any true Christian. For this is exalting a false Sabbath as was instituted by the Roman Catholic Church.

The same idea is repeated of Sunday:

"... should Sunday be viewed as the hour of worship rather than the holy day of rest to the Lord? " (p. II).

No historical tradition or authority on earth could give validity to Sunday being seen as holy. Only divine sanction has stated that the Sabbath as the Seventh Day is of Yahweh God, not

Sunday.

The last statements are,

“If Sunday indeed is the Lord's day all Christians, yes, all mankind should know it.” (p. 13).

This assertion is very destructive to declare, for indeed all the world and majority of false Christian religions, already accept Sunday as the true day to keep and not the Seventh Day Sabbath of the Bible. The whole of false Christendom will push for the world wide acceptance of Sunday worship, when there is a push for Sunday legislation. In this way all mankind will be made to know and be forced to accept Sunday as the Lord's day, otherwise identified as the mark or sign of the beast (Rev 13:16,17; Rev 14:9).

Here is an indication of this by Bacchiocchi, he says,

"Some people, concerned by this widespread profanation of the Lord's day are urging for a civil legislation that would outlaw all activities not compatible with the spirit of Sunday." (p. 10).

Now this statement calls for serious concern, for as we see Bacchiocchi is propagating Sunday keeping due to his desecrating an anti-sabbath concepts.

And if all of Mankind is to know Sunday as the Lord's day we must know who are the ones that will seek to legislate Sunday as a civil religious law internationally.

It is the Papacy, fallen protestants and modern spiritualistic Evangelicals who are clamoring for Sunday as the Lord's day in rejection of Yahweh's seventh day Sabbath. This is what Pope John Paul II says in his 'Apostolic Letter Dies Domini',

“Therefore, also in the particular circumstances of our own time, Christians strive to ensure that civil legislation respects their duty to keep Sunday holy.”

And again the Catholic Church proclaims in their Catechism,

*“In respecting religious liberty and the common good of all Christians should seek recognition of Sundays and the Church's holy days as legal holidays.” **Catechism of the Catholic Church, p. 473.***

So in the words of the Pope and his approved Catechism Sunday legislation is necessary to propagate Sunday as the Lord's day. I quote E.G. White as she identifies the role of fallen protestants who are Evangelicals in wanting Sunday legislations,

“The enforcement of Sunday keeping on the part of the protestant Churches is an enforcement of the worship of the papacy— of the beast.”

*“The word of God teaches that these scenes are to be repeated as Roman Catholics and Protestants shall unite for the exaltation of the Sunday.” **Great Controversy, p. 448, 578.***

*“ Protestants are working in disguise to bring Sunday to the front, as did the Romanist .” **Testimonies to the Church, Vol. 5 p. 449.’***

Therefore the people who are concerned about Sunday and will urge for civil legislation of it are the ones who hate the Sabbath of the seventh day and Bacchiocchi knows this if he's truly a SDA.

This makes us truly aware that Sunday keeping will be a grand opposition to the Sabbath of Yahweh, and apostate, backslide Adventist such as Bacchiocchi and others will join these Sunday keepers in opposing God's true remnant and revival of Seventh Day Adventist.

Sunday then cannot be profaned! It is the Sabbath of Yahweh that is defiled and profaned by exalting idols in place of it that is against God Himself, says the scriptures, '...but polluted (profane) my Sabbaths for their hearts went after their idols.' (Eze 20:16).

Why would the majority of Christians adopt Sunday as the Sabbath of God? This is due to the influence of ancient pantheistic sun worship and the prevailing false theological positions held by many apostate Christian Churches that is anti-law in nature. More so why does Dr. Bacchiocchi render Sunday as the Lord's day so repeatedly? It is due to the fact that he accepts the position in his book, for the Catholic Church gave it such esteem, even though it is not biblical.

Bacchiocchi shows too much regard and acceptance to the Roman Catholic Church. He has put the Sabbath to the disadvantage position in his book as a Seventh Day Adventist.

The true Lord's day is the Sabbath and it should be noted that the word 'LORD' in the Hebrew text should be Yahweh. Hence it is Yahweh's DAY. For God says. If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, (from) doing thy pleasure in my holy day and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of Yahweh (Lord)' (Isa 58:13).

Then to call Sunday the Lord's Day, is to say it is Yahweh's day. Does God have anything to do with sun worship; which He hates so much, seeing that He calls it the image of Jealousy, greater abominations, that which makes Him wax hot with wrath? God declares '...with their backs toward the temple of Yahweh and their faces toward the East and they worshipped the sun toward the East.' (Eze 8:16). So it is wrong to call Sunday, the Lord's day as that title is to the Seventh Day Sabbath only. Truly Dr. Bacchiocchi is moving 'from Sabbath to Sunday'.

The real Lord of Sunday is Baal the sun god of the Canaanites, so then Dr. Bacchiocchi and company when referring to the Lord's day to Sunday is in fact exalting a false god. Since Jesus is the Lord of the Sabbath as in Mk 2:28, then He is that Lord or Yahweh in the Old Testament declaring the Sabbath as His, for Exo 20:11 says '...wherefore the Lord (Yahweh) blessed the

Sabbath day and hallowed it. '

God warns not to mention His name Yahweh with false gods especially in regards to the Sabbath. 'Six days thou shalt do thy work and on the seventh day thou shalt rest (sabbathize) ye.... and make no mention of the name of other gods, neither let it be heard out of they mouth.' (Exo 23:12,13).

Also again God declares, '...and keep my Sabbaths: I am the Lord (Yahweh) your God. Turn ye not unto idols, nor make to yourselves molten gods. I Yahweh your God.' (Lev 19:23,24).

CHAPTER 6

Abolishing The Sabbath By Making It A Shadow

This author. Dr. Bacchiocchi goes further in his march of desecrating the Sabbath of the Seventh Day by his evangelical and Catholic interpretation of Col 2:16. He takes the position that the Sabbaths herein mentioned in the text is the weekly Sabbath of the fourth commandment.

To do this is logically to say that the Sabbath then, is only a type or shadow of Christ who is the body. More so it is to declare all types were abolished on the cross when Jesus gave His life and suffering for sin (vs. 14). This is most abominable, and as an Adventist he does as the Jews, who rejected Christ, he profanes, the Sabbath of Yahweh.

Let's investigate some of his statements that validates his heretical positions. Remember that Dr. Bacchiocchi's point, is that the Seventh Day Sabbath is what is meant in Col 2:16, hence the true Sabbath becomes a mere shadow and has no significance as a sign of perfect creation, perfect Creator, or sanctification.

He states conclusively at the end of his book,

"... Paul rejected the Sabbath as a means of salvation but accepted it as a shadow pointing to the substance which belongs to Christ. " (p. 369).

If Dr. Bacchiocchi concludes that the Sabbath of Yahweh is a shadow, then it is abolished by the death of Christ on the cross. So then the Sabbath is no longer in existence as binding on Christians to be kept. This point he does support, he says,

"A brief historical survey of the interpretation of Col 2:16-17 may serve to make us aware

that the passage has been quite consistently explained to mean that the Sabbath is a Jewish institution, abolished by Christ on the cross. " (p. 339).

What we see here is a ratified position against the Sabbath, because, he already admits to calling the Sabbath Jewish and it is a shadow of Christ, then as Christ came, and is with us, we don't need the Sabbath, it is abolished.

Dr. Bacchiocchi is a Sabbath heretic, for he gives further sanction to the error of his conclusion of the Sabbath on Col 2:16 of it being a shadow. He states, after making reference to a few significant scholars.

"This interpretation which views the Sabbath in the Colossians passage as a by-gone ceremonial shadow of the Jewish dispensation, abolished by Christ on the cross, has come dawn to our time as the most prominent interpretation,." (P.341).

As a result of such conclusion of the Sabbath, which Dr. Bacchiocchi alludes to, calling it a shadow conclusively. Then no Christian is obligated to keep the Sabbath.

"These samplings of testimonies exemplify that Colossians 2:16-17 throughout Christian history has been interpreted quite consistently to mean that Paul regarded the Sabbath as an Old Testament typological institution fulfilled by Christ and therefore no longer binding on Christians. " p. 342.

Further evidences are to show that the sabbaths of Col 2:16 is not a ceremonial shadow, (which is false any way), but that it is the weekly Sabbath of Yahweh, hence making the Sabbath insignificant, he says,

"...the word 'sabbaton ' as used in Colossians 2:16, cannot refer to any of the annual ceremonial sabbaths..." (p. 360).

Again it is stated,

"...of Paul's repudiation of the Sabbath as an Old Testament ceremonial shadow... " (p. 368).

These statements do prove the view that is taken by Dr. Bacchiocchi on the Sabbath is heretical and as stated before, he makes it seem that the Sabbath is to be done away with because it is connected to festivals and ceremonials and he says,

"...that Paul rejected the sabbath as a means of salvation but accepted it as a shadow pointing to the substance which belongs to Christ." (p. 369).

Now I will proceed to be the corrector of this heretic by God's grace, by showing from the bible only what is the real meaning of the Sabbath in Col 2:16, as it being truly a ceremonial Sabbath

and not the weekly Sabbath of the fourth commandment. The format is simple proof text reference. Please use your bible to follow and clearly understand what is stated here on this matter.

Now Paul is here addressing Christians, mostly Gentiles and some were converted Jews. They were being attacked by Jewish sects who still held on to the Pharisaical concepts of the laws of sacrifices and ceremonialism, as a means of salvation. They were being judged of their Christianity for not doing these works of keeping the laws of sacrifices and new moons and ceremonial Sabbaths.

What are these meats or meals or as the Greek has it 'brosei' (foods) eating and the drinks, also fruits? These were offerings according to the ceremonial laws of sacrifices.

“23:4 These are the feasts of the LORD, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons.

23.5 In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's passover.

23.6 And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the feast of unleavened bread unto the LORD: seven days ye must eat unleavened bread.

23.7 In the first day ye shall have an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.”

“These are the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, a burnt offering, and a meat offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings, every thing upon his day:” Lev. 23:4-7,34.

“28.7 And the drink offering thereof shall be the fourth part of an hin for the one lamb: in the holy place shalt thou cause the strong wine to be poured unto the LORD for a drink offering.

28.8 And the other lamb shalt thou offer at even: as the meat offering of the morning, and as the drink offering thereof, thou shalt offer it, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.” Num. 28:7,8.

See also Num. 29:11; Lev. 2:1,12-16.

As seen in these texts the drinks and meats (meal offerings) are made unto God, in relation to other offerings of animals.

But all these are not part of salvation matters itself, because it is not by the use of these offerings that men are to be saved from sin. For all these were only a figure, or simile, or parable for the time then present. They could not make the offerer perfect in conscience. (Heb 9:8,9).

The idea of salvation which is preached by the gospel of the kingdom of God and Christ is spiritual in righteousness and peace in truth through the Holy Spirit, once the sinner repents and believes (Mk 1:14,15; Rom 14:17). Thus through the Gospel of Christ salvation is given to anyone who believes and thus he is made righteous by the faith of Christ,

“ Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.” Gal. 2:16.

Not by the offering of drinks or meats (meals, food).

The holy days here, is not speaking of the only holy day of Yahweh God, the Sabbath of the Seventh Day. But rather of the ceremonial feast days that came every month during the annual feasts (Lev 23:4-41). Here these feast, were done for the whole festal year called by Christ the acceptable year of the Lord (Lk 4:19). They began on the 14th of the first month Nisan (Abib), our April (Lev 23:11) and ended on the 22nd of the seventh month call Tisri (our October) (Lev 23:39-41; I Chron 23:31).

The new moons, this was a phrase used to identify the beginning of months for the ceremonial feasts throughout Israel's feast year. (Ps 81:3; Eze 45:16-18; Lev 23:1,2,4; Exo 12:2,3,6).

Then the new moon is used to refer to the feasts or ceremonial offerings which included ceremonial Sabbaths (Neh 10:33; Eze 46:3). But the Sabbaths here are not the weekly 7th day Sabbath, but only the ceremonial type which falls on the new moons or feast of months (2 Chro 31:3; 2Kgs 4:23; 1 Chro. 23:31; 2 Chro 4:4; 2 Chro 8:13).

Thus the Sabbaths which are connected to the meats (food, meal) and drinks offerings are all to be abolished (Col 2:14). Thus no one is to be judged by these ceremonial feasts to prove their faith that is in Christ. God rejected them because ancient Israel was using them as works of salvation. Thus rejecting Christ the righteousness of God.

“1.11 To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? saith the LORD: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he goats. 1.13 Bring no more vain oblations; incense is an abomination unto me; the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of assemblies, I cannot away with; it is iniquity, even the solemn meeting. 1.14 Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them.” Isa 1:11-13,14

“I will also cause all her mirth to cease, her feast days, her new moons, and her sabbaths, and all her solemn feasts.” Hos. 2:11.

In vs. 17, of Colossians 2, these ceremonial laws and feasts of Sabbaths, were but a shadow or dark outline of the better things that were to come, that were in Christ.

“Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern showed to thee in the mount.” Heb 8:5.

“For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with those sacrifices which they offered year by year continually make the comers thereunto perfect.” Heb. 10:1

The better things to come, or that complete body or firm reality is in Christ (Heb 9:11,12; Heb 10:4-10). If Dr. Bacchiocchi should deny these biblical proofs of Col 2:16, and persist on his anti-Seventh Day Sabbath stand, then it proves that he is a rejecter of truth, anti-truth, hence anti-Christ. He is an Adventist apostate heretic. Before Yahweh he is 'anathema', and thus he has gone the way of the apostate Evangelical's anti-Sabbath concepts. Here is an author in Trinidad who hates everything about the sabbath and Seventh Day Adventism, and he has the same venom as Bacchiocchi in saying that the sabbath of Colossians 2: 16 is the seventh day sabbath, thus making it a ceremonial feast or shadow. I quote;

“... the attempted separation of the Saturday sabbath from the other sabbaths, is a modern day heresy of our SDA friends.” Wordsworth N. Caesar, The Middle Wall Of Partition That Jesus Christ Broke Down, p. 29

“As for the sabbath, it must be noted that the sabbath like circumcision of the flesh, is but a sign, token or shadow of something else...the sabbath sign is superseded by its administrative body, Jesus Christ.” Ibid, pp. 20,21.

To you who may be an Adventist, you must recognize that the book 'From Sabbath to Sunday' is meant to destroy the validity of the Sabbath and that Dr. Bacchiocchi does not hold on to the true biblical position of SDA on Col 2:16 apart from cited proofs in the book, he says of himself:

“I might mention that in a few places my interpretation of certain biblical texts (such as Rev 1:10 and Col 2:14-17) and of historical data differs some what from the traditional position of my church.” p. 6.

So what we see here is that the author holds on to the wrong position and yet still condemns the SDA church's position. Read what he says:

“The Seventh Day Adventist Bible commentary interprets the 'sabbaton' (Greek) - sabbath days' as a reference to the annual ceremonial Sabbaths and not to the weekly Sabbath.” (Lev 23:6-8,15,16,21,24,25,27,28,37,38). (p. 359).

The facts are that the word sabbaton, meaning sabbath days (plural) is used also in reference to the Seventh Day Sabbath e.g. see (Mk 2:27,28). The word Sabbath here is sabbaton and it is used to mean the Seventh Day Sabbath and in the singular tense. Other places in the bible God calls the Seventh Day Sabbath as 'His or my sabbaths' e.g. see (Eze 20:16,20,21,24; Exo 32:12,14,16)".

The SDA Bible Commentary states, '...the weekly Sabbath is a memorial of an event of the beginning of earth's history...hence the sabbath days Paul declares to be shadows pointing to Christ cannot refer to the weekly Sabbath...but must indicate the ceremonial rest days that reach their realization in Christ and His kingdom.' **SDA Bible Comm., 1957 V. II, p. 205,206.**

Dr. Bacchiocchi goes on to chastise Adventist for their positions.

"More over even the theological interpretation which the Adventist Commentary gives to the Sabbath is hard to justify." (p 359).

How can this man be accepted as a theologian within Adventism to teach young men to be ministers and yet be anti-Adventism in his stand of the Sabbath? He preaches in most Adventist Sabbath Seminars, yet the position he holds is erroneous and most Adventist, even the General Conference accepts him and applaud his papal success.

This is sure apostasy by both Dr. Bacchiocchi and the majority of lukewarm SDA from the Sabbath light.

CHAPTER 7

The Lord's Day, The Seventh Day Sabbath in Rev 1:10 is Removed

The extent of Dr. Bacchiocchi's apostasy on the Sabbath is greatly destructive to the remnant Church and revival of true SDA. He rejects the value of the Sabbath as it is wonderfully stated in Rev 1:10, as "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day." He claims, it is the eschatological day of the Lord in judgment and pointing to the second coming of Christ. Does not the facts prove that this man is an imposter, a wolf among the sheep or little flock of Yahweh? Yes, he was sent by his papal Romish Jesuit professors to destroy and kill the people of God on their belief of the Sabbath. Let's cite his blasphemous views, he says:

"The identification of the 'Lord's day' of Revelation 1:10 –with the eschatological day of the Lord understood as the day of Christ's judgment and parousia appears to us as the most plausible. " (p. 123).

"...the expression 'Lord's day' of Revelation 1:10, in the light of its immediate and wider

contexts can be best interpreted as a designation for the day of judgment and of the parousia. "(P-131).

So to him the Lord's day is the judgment day of Christ and the parousia or second coming of Christ. This position could never be true because the term 'the day of the Lord' is mostly used in reference to the day of God's vengeance, or wrath in which God gives retribution upon the wicked during the time of the plagues. More so, this day of the Lord ends with the second coming of Christ. Please proofread these Bible texts. Isa 13:6, 'Howl ye; for the day of the Lord (Yahweh) is at hand, it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty.' Also verses 9,13; Joel 1:15 'Alas for the day! For the day of the Lord is at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come.' Joel 3:14,15 'Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision: for the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision. The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.' Obadiah 15 'For the day of the Lord is near upon all the heathen: as thou hast done, it shall be done unto thee: thy reward shall return upon thine own head ' Isa 2:12; Jer 46:10; Eze 13:5; Eze 30:1-3.

Thus the use of 'the Lord's day' in light of all these reference in scripture, could never be used to mean the time of retribution of God's wrath, and in the book of revelation, the term 'day of the Lord' as His wrath is proven to be consistent, as seen in Rev 6:17, "for the great day of His wrath is come..." (see vs. 12-16) also Rev 15:8; Rev 16:1.

So holy scriptures proves Dr. Bacchiocchi to be wrong and a non Adventist according to doctrine. It is the position of SDA that the Day of the Lord relates to the book of Revelation, day of God's wrath, E. G Whites speaks,

*"The description of the day of God is given through John by the Revelator. The cry of the terror stricken myriads has fallen upon the ear of John. The great day of His -wrath is come and who shall be able to stand? The Apostle himself was awed and over-whelmed. " **Testimonies to Ministers**, p. 444.*

This is proof from the Spirit of Prophecy that she does not speak according to Dr. Bacchiocchi's view. She uses the term the Lord's day' to mean the Sabbath, quote:

*"The Bible points to the Seventh Day and not the first, as the Lord's day. " **Great Controversy**, p. 447 (hard cover)*

If Mrs. White use's the Lord's day to mean the Sabbath, will she further change it to mean day of the Lord in reference to the wrath of God and the second coming of Christ?

But Dr. Bacchiocchi persist in his papal evangelical errors to discredit the Holy Sabbath by denying that the Lord's day is a literal day, hence it cannot be the Seventh Day Sabbath nor Sunday as prescribed by the Roman Catholics and Evangelicals. He says:

"It is hard to conceive that 'The Lord's day ' on which John was shown the whole series of vision, that comprise the entire book denotes a literal day... " (p. 126).

"The context of the whole book then strongly suggest that the 'Lord's day' of Revelation 1:10 represents not a literal 24-hour day but rather the great day of the Lord. " (p. 125).

These statements prove that the biblical view of the 'the Lord's day', is rejected, but as the bible states that the Sabbath is the Lord's (Yahweh's) day. 'But the Seventh Day is the Sabbath of Yahweh thy God' (Exo 20:10), 'Verily my Sabbaths, ye shall keep...' "The seventh day is the Sabbath of rest, holy to the Lord (Yahweh)' (Exo 31:13,15). If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on my holy day and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord.' (Isa 58:13).

What these texts declare is that the Sabbath is Yahweh's Day; it is the Lord's day. Only the Sabbath is counted as God's day and it is not called the day of the Lord as to judgment of retribution and the second coming of Christ. The statement in Rev 1:10 of the Lord's day was taken from the Old Testament and John of course experienced true holiness on that day because he was in communion with God on that Sabbath day. Also Christ made the shocking statements that He as Lord of the Sabbath (Mk 2:28) is making the Sabbath, the Lord's Day.

This is the position that SDA holds, I quote Mrs. White:

*"I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet. ' The Lord's day is the Seventh Day, the Sabbath of creation. On the day that God sanctified and blessed. " **Testimonies To the Church Vol. 6. p. 128.***

The importance of seeing Rev 1:10 as the Sabbath relates to the validity of the existence of God's true remnant church according to Rev 12:17, who keep the commandments of God also Rev 14:12 who keep the commandments of God and love the faith of Christ. Due to the controversy of the Sabbath against the Mark of the Beast as in Rev 13:16; Rev 14:9,10, which is the Sunday worship being legislated internationally as the Mark of the Beast. It is the Sabbath, which is the sign of God as the Creator that we should 'worship Him who made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.' Rev 14:7.

Dr. Bacchiocchi is a subtle destroyer of the foundations of Adventism in the Sabbath. His work is not guided by the Holy Spirit of Christ but another spirit that pervades only the wicked, that propagates doctrines of devils. Of the likes of Dr. Bacchiocchi and other such ministers in the SDA organization, Mrs. White spoke:

*"A Company was presented before me under the name of Seventh Day Adventist, who were advising that the banner or sign which makes us a distinctive people should not be held out so strikingly... I saw some reaching out their hands to remove the banner, and to obscure its significance... " **Selected Messages, Bk. 2 p. 385***

Is not this proof of a conspiracy that Dr. Bacchiocchi has entered into with Rome? Sis White again says:

"There is to be no compromise with those who are worshipping an idol Sabbath. " Ibid.

The book *'From Sabbath to Sunday'* really is pushing towards Sunday in an under handed way, and because lukewarm Seventh Day Adventists are ignorant of the truth and truly lacks knowledge, God has sent them these strong delusions to believe such lies. But thank God there is a remnant , a revival of true and original Adventism and ancient apostolic Christianity, both in doctrine and character life. This is what Thusia SDA is all about, we stand as correctors of all heretics, by the Spirit of righteousness by faith in Christ in us. The Sabbath of Yahweh is to be defended at all cost.

CHAPTER 8

Destroying The Sabbath's Influence For Holiness

The final point of objection that we have to make against Dr. Bacchiocchi's desecration of the Sabbath is the fact that he objects to the idea of making use of the Sabbath as an aid to perfection. This is of a great importance to the truly devoted SDA because perfection is the goal that God wants of us in regards to overcoming sin in this life. We shall give biblical proofs of this but let's cite the heretic, firstly he says:

"The warning is not against the Sabbath, festivals and dietary laws as such, but rather against those who promote these practices as in indispensable aids to Christian perfection and as needed protection from 'the elements of the world, ' thus denying the all sufficiency of Christ, "p. 356

So he is saying that the Seventh Day Sabbath must not be used in relation to Christian aid in perfection. To do so would be denying Christ's grace to saves. But this is far from truth, it is blatantly attacking the true and rightful purpose of the Sabbath in dealing with salvation. Let's look at the bible evidences.

God declares that the Sabbath should be kept by His people because 'it is a sign between me and you... that ye may know that I the Lord that doth sanctify you. ' (Exo 31:13), also " I gave them my Sabbaths,.... That they might know that I am the Lord that sanctify them (Eze 20:12). This say that the Sabbath is to be a sign (or fruit sign that testifies of what is inwardly being done) of the people of God being sanctified through the grace of God into holiness from sin.

The Sabbath truth is that Yahweh the Creator, is the Creator of new spiritual life in the life of the believer.

“A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.” Eze 36:26 For, *'if any man be in Christ he is a new creation.'* (2 Cor 5:17). This is the working of Christ in us by His Holy Spirit.

Truly Christ does separates us from sin which is to give us the 'spiritual mind of life and peace,' by being justified by faith we have peace with God through Jesus Christ. ' (Rom 8:6; Rom 5:1).

For when we are converted or born again that is the beginning of sinfreeness in us. We are made new and are changed in heart intentions and values and practices, for 'he that is born of God doth not commit sin, the seed of the word remaineth in him and he cannot sin because he is born of God (1 Jn 3:9).

It is Jesus who is Lord of the Sabbath that works in us to do His good pleasure. This is the working of grace and faith to give us victory that we sin not. 'For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men. Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world' (Tit 2:11,12). 'For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not.' 1 Jn 5:4,18).

In keeping the Sabbath we show who is the God we are serving and God is totally sinless and divinely morally upright. He is holy so he tells us be holy and keep His Sabbath (Lev 19:3).

So as the Sabbath is a sign of us being sanctified in Christ and Christ is our sanctifier, 'Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth' 'And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth. (Jn 17:17,19) and He is Lord of the Sabbath, 'Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.' (Mk 2:28).

So the Sabbath as a day, testifies to those who are the real saints of God. Those who are being sanctified by faith in Christ (Acts 26:18; Eph 3:17; Eph 4:23,24; Col 2:6,7).

The final and remnant people of God on the earth, the 144,000 saints, will be sealed with knowledge of the Sabbath of the true God and Creator against the Mark of the Beast (Sunday). They will be sinlessly perfect (Rev 4:1,4,5; Rev 15:2,3). Thus perfection does have relation to the Sabbath, only those with the pure faith will understand this and be prepared for the end.

CONCLUSION

What we can conclude after this concise investigation into the book *'From Sabbath To Sunday'* is that the author's intention for writing the book is just to give credence to the Catholic's position of Sunday origin. Because the Roman Catholic Church never claimed that the Bible was the source of Sunday keeping, but they assumed such an authority by satanic influence. They say:

"Prove to me from the Bible alone that I am bound to keep Sunday holy. There is no such law in the Bible, it is a law of the holy Catholic Church alone. The Bible says 'Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy'. The Catholic Church says, No, by my divine power I abolish the Sabbath Day and command you to keep holy the first day of the week. And the entire civilized world bows down in reverent obedience to the command of the Holy Catholic Church." **Priest Thomas Enright, CSSR. Pres. Of Redemptionist College. Kansas City, Mo, in a lecture at Harford, Kansas Feb 18.1884.**

Truly Satan gave them his seat and authority (Rev 13:2). All the research done by Bacchiocchi only proves that Rome was right in their position hence his book could be given such approval of the Papal Imprimatur.

Dr. Bacchiocchi got his medals for the deceptive work to destroy the Sabbath, and in none of his presentations of the Sabbath was he ever accurate. The Sabbath was made unbiblical by the various misrepresentations of it, thus this man was totally destroying the faith of SDA. Then what does that leave us of Thusia SDA to say, I quote Mrs. White!

"We are Seventh Day Adventist. Are we ashamed of our name? We answer 'No, No '! We are not, it is the name the Lord has given us. It points out the truth that is to be the test of the churches." **Letter 110,1902 Selected Messages Vol. 2 v. 384.**

The facts are, that the Sabbath is our foundation of faith and this is severely attacked by the so-called Adventist. We of Thusia SDA stand as repairers of the breach, restorers of the paths to dwell in to raise the foundations of generations. (Isa 58:12). And this points to the Sabbath which no one should defile, because the Sabbath is honorable the Holy of Yahweh (vs. 13).

APPENDIX (A)

BACCHIOCCHI'S ANTI SABBATH REWARD

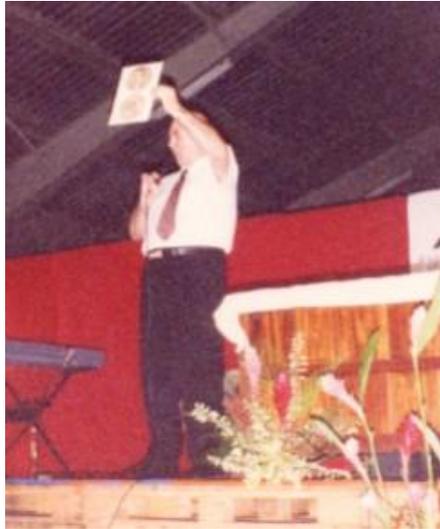
The extent of apostasy of the SDA Organization is only farther evidenced by Dr. Bacchiocchi's reception of high honors from the Roman Catholic Church University that he attended. In page 3 of the book 'From Sabbath to Sunday' it is said about the author:

"Dr. Samuele Bacchiocchi was the first non-Catholic to graduate from the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. He received a gold medal from Pope Paul VI for graduating with the academic distinction of summa cum laude...."

This medal given to Dr. Bacchiocchi was a sort of pay back by the Roman Catholic Church to SDA due to the medallion given to the same Pope by Dr. B. Beach.

Here are pictures taken of Dr. Bacchiocchi at the 'Adventist Heritage Celebration' on the 14 Oct 2000 in Kingstown St. Vincent, showing off his medal of which he said, "I am proud to receive this award it will always be special to me all my life."





How did Dr. Bacchiocchi view his attendance to the Catholic Jesuit University, he said,

"I am particularly indebted to the Pontifical Gregorian University not only for admitting the first 'separated brother' in over four hundred years of her history but also for treating me as a real 'brother.'" Ibid. p. 5

He calls himself a 'separated brother' of the Roman Catholic Church and felt accepted as a 'real brother'.

The concept of separated brother is used by the Roman Catholic Church documents of Vatican II to identify those protestants who they view not as full Catholics but accepts them as brothers. I quote:

"Nevertheless, our separated brethren, whether considered as individuals or as communities and churches, are not blessed with that unity. ..For it is through Christ's Catholic Church alone, which is the all embracing means of salvation, that the fullness of the means of salvation can be obtained." **The Documents of Vatican II, p. 346**

So as far as Rome is concerned salvation is only in the Catholic Church, hence separated brethren has to come to them (RCC) for unity and salvation. But the next quote shows that they (the separated brethren) are accepted as brothers though not perfect Catholics:

*"However, one cannot impute the sin of separation to those who at present are born into these communities ... The Catholic Church accepts them with respect and affection as brothers. For men who believe in Christ and have been properly baptized are brought into a certain, though imperfect, communion with the Catholic Church. "**Ibid. 345***

This proves that Dr. Bacchiocchi spoke as one who understands the language of Catholic Jesuits

(they were editors of Vatican II). He admits to the fact of being a separated brethren yet felt as a brother. This man is evidently a 'pretentious SDA'. He is a Roman Catholic in mind, but professes to be a sheep. Who can he fool, but other like lukewarm Adventists.

True unity is expressed in the bible as one faith (Phil 4:4-6; 1 Jn 5:2,3) (The Law of God). This will obviously include the Sabbath, so there is to be no compromise with those who exalt an idol sabbath or spurious sabbath.

APPENDIX (B)

LINKS OF APOSTASY

In this appendix we see evidences of the apostasy that '... it is a backsliding church that lessens its distance between itself and the Papacy.' **Sign of the Times Feb 19. 1894.**

The SDA Organization is indulging with the World Council of Churches and ecumenism.

After much consultation and participation with the Roman Catholic Church, through the World Council of Churches, the SDA Organization shows how much they are involved in ecumenism. Here are some documentary facts.

"In addition to the relationships with regional and national councils of churches mentioned above, the World Council of Churches is in working relationship with many Christian world communions, including... General Conference of Seventh Day Adventists..." Directory Christian Councils, p. 244

This directory was published by the World Council of Churches in 1985 which lists all of its member unit churches throughout the world. But here is a letter proving such a link since 1971:

150, ROUTE DE FERNEY P.O. BOX No. 86 1211 GENEVA 20 TELEPHONE: (022) 33 34 00
TELEX: 23 423 OIK CH CABLE: OIKOUMENE GENEVA

WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES
PROGRAMME UNIT ON FAITH AND WITNESS
Commission on

Faith and Order

RW/aw
1 April 1975

Mr. M. Ireland
Box 105 Steiner Road
Valencia
Pa. 16059
USA

Dear Mr. Ireland,

I am responding to your letter to Dr. Gerald Moede of March 17, 1975, because he left the staff of the faith and Order Secretariat to become the General Secretary of the Consultation on Church Union in the States.

In reading through his previous correspondence with you, it appears that there is some confusion as to the article to which you referred on proselytism. If I understand his letter correctly, he is referring to the study on "Common witness and proselytism", the result of which appeared in Ecumenical Review Vol. XXIII, No. I, January 1971.

In response to your other questions, Mr. Dederen, as a member of the faith and Order Commission, does not receive any remuneration for his work on the Commission. To be a member of the Commission, of which there are 120 persons so named by the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches, does not involve salaries or payment for services - but is rather a position which involves voluntary services. I would expect his salary to be paid by the Andrews University, though I could not say for certain.

With regard to Dr. Beach, he is the Secretary of the Annual Conference of Secretaries of World Confessional Families. Faith and Order relate to that conference in a consultative manner. Dr. Beach is neither paid for his services by Faith and Order nor by the World Confessional Families, but rather provides his service as the secretary to their annual meeting as part of his position as the Secretary of the General Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists, Northern Europe.

I hope that I have been able to answer your questions.

With best wishes,
Sincerely yours,

Robert Welsh

Note that this Dr. Bert B Beach as secretary of the World Confessional Families, this organization is part of the Faith and Order Commission, which is the theological arm of the World Council of Churches. Here is Dr. Beach speaking:

*"I have been representing our church at this meeting for nine years. I have served, as secretary of the conference. " **Letter from B. B Beach, November, 1977***

Again we show greater abominations done by Dr. Beach. The links with Rome, as made evident, as this man compromises to the extent to give Pope Paul VI a medallion in 1977. Here is an actual photocopy of the Medallion itself showing the front and back of it.



Front

Back

The above is a photocopy of the medallion reproduced from the covers of the booklet on Seventh-day Adventists of the "Great Religions of the World" (Art Medal Series) struck by the Presidential Art Medals, Inc., of Vandalia Ohio. This medallion was designed and sculptured by Ralph J. Menconi and issued by the company in 1973.

Ms. M. Carol Hetzell, then Director of the Department of Communication for the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists gives the background for the creation of the medallion in a letter dated, December 29, 1977. She wrote:

I learned of the plan to produce a series of medallions on the great religions of the world through an ad in the National Geographic, I believe; and I wrote immediately to the producers of the medallions offering to help them with suggestions for a Seventh-day Adventist medallion so that it could be included amongst the "great religions of the world. " The sculptor visited our world headquarters here and talked with our committee that had been set up to suggest what the medallion might incorporate.

This is horrendous and shameful and opened the way for the Dr. Bacchiocchi's greater abomination of destroying the Sabbath truth and being rewarded.

Now more further evidence is given to show how Dr. Beach tries to cover up his deeds of evil with Rome. Here is a letter he wrote to fellow minister:



February 22, 1984

Dr. D. Douglas Devnich
PARL Director
Canadian Union Conference
1148 King Street, East
Oshawa, Ontario

Dear Doug:

You have written to me regarding the question of what you very creatively call "Adventist Mysophobia!" Well, we do have some problems in this area from time to time. Let me give you the back ground regarding my meeting with the Pope in 1977.

In May of 1977 there was a meeting of Christian World Communions held in Rome. I was one of the participants in that conference. This is not an organization in which you have membership, with a constitution and dues, etc. It is simply an informal forum that meets in order to discuss issues of mutual interest.

In connection with the conference, there was a meeting with the Pope. I was one of 15 people that attended this meeting. The other 14 were non-Adventists. This was not a meeting of our Church with the Pope but simply a meeting of the participants in the conference with the Pope. We felt that it was of interest to meet with the man who is the religious leader of some 700 million people around the world and the head of the Vatican. At that time I was the religious liberty director for the Northern European Division, and I felt that this meeting could be of PR and religious liberty interest to our Church. In connection with the meeting with the Pope, I gave him one of our missionary books, which gives a pictorial presentation of our work around the world and at the same time also talks about some of our beliefs. In addition, I gave him one of the medallions that we had here in the office and that we give from time to time to the state and other significant world figures. The medallion, is not in any way a decoration, like a military medal, but is simply a memento given on the occasion of a meeting together. It presents our Adventist and our Seventh-day messages. One side presents the Second Coming of Christ and says "Behold He Cometh . . . Every Eye Shall See Him." On the other side it presents our belief in the Sabbath in the setting of the Bible, the Cross, and the Ten Commandments. The various Commandments are presented by Roman numerals, but under the fourth Roman numeral it is written out "Remember the Sabbath Day to Keep it Holy." I felt that this was an opportunity of witnessing for what we stand.

Some of the enemies of the Church have tried to twist the meaning of this meeting and have given very false or at least tendentious information. The meeting represented a brief, but important, opportunity to witness for the message we represent. Our motives were good, and the results positive. It is sad that some wish to hurt the Church by spreading rumors, false implications, and giving expression to underhanded accusations.

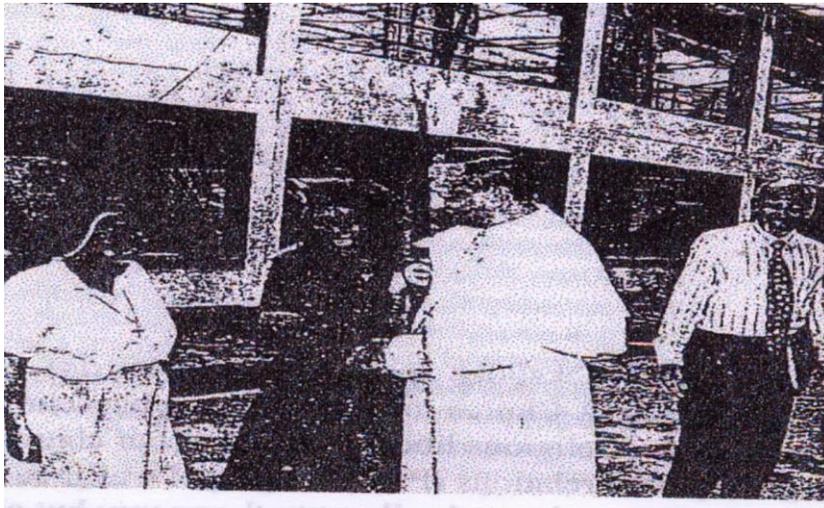
Very cordially yours,

B. B. Beach
Director

Note well how this backslidden apostate, lessens his dirty deeds of selling out the SDA Church to Rome, calling his actions public relations and religious liberty interest to our church. Is that any good public relations (PR). No gospel was preached. It is a blatant compromise and sell out to the enemy but also giving them awards of a medallion.

But proof why we of Thusia SDA is able to show these links of apostasy by the SDA Organization, is because we see it before our eyes in our home land, Trinidad, W.I. Take these two published evidences.

Here these Adventists helping Catholics or really an undivinely guided aid, to seek further acceptance with Rome, 'the man of sin', the 'papal beast,' our number one enemy, and many poor SDA needs such monetary help, for the poor we will have always says Christ. (Note the Roman Catholic Church is super rich).



MONEY FOR HOME: Sudlyn Elder, Local Community Services Director of the South Caribbean Conference of Seventh day Adventists, receives an appreciative hug from Roman Catholic Archbishop Anthony Pantin yesterday at the St Dominic's Home, Belmont, after presenting him with a cheque for \$20,000 as a contribution to rebuilding the burnt-out dormitories (in background) at the Home. Looking on are Sr. Marina Serette (left), manager of the Home, and Pastor Clive Dottin. The Church said the presentation marked the launch of "Healing and the Process of Nation-building", a historical community services project in which it will make contributions to several community projects "in order to send signals of love and compassion. A Radiothon on Sunday is expected to raise additional funds for the rebuilding of

S.D.A. is the South Caribbean Conference of Seventh Day Adventist." That was pastor Cyril Horrel, Executive Secretary of S.D.A. in *Trinidad Guardian*, *Feb. 2nd, 1999, p.2.*

Former president of S.C.C. of S.D.A. pastor Errol Mitchell said, "that he was not comfortable that some of these groups use the name "Adventists", and that the "Thusian group was not part of its (S.D.A.) flock." Sunday Guardian, Nov. 16th, 1997 p. 25. He also said: "It was important to assure Hindus that the S.D.A, did not support any of the "derogatory" comments on Hinduism made by the Thusians. We have respect for every religious group in this country and it is not correct for any religious group to attack another." *Trinidad Guardian*. *Friday 12th Feb.. 1999, p. 3.*

"The president of the Inter Religious Organization (IRO), Pundit Harripersad Maharaj, on Sunday stated that the IRO "condemns anyone for criticizing any body else's religion", "They are definitely defamatory of Hinduism." "They are out of place and the authorities should deal with these people", "they (the group) is declaring war on the nation by printing those pamphlets", "the type of words that they are using, what they are printing is wrong", "I myself condemn any religion for criticizing one another", "We have freedom of speech and religion but we have to be more responsible and respect each others religious belief." *Newsday*, *Tue. February . 2, 1999. p .18* (Read Genesis 4:4,5 on YHWH's idea of respect).

Compare the above statements with the S.D.A. 's leaders position.

"In fact we have great respect for every religion" Pastor Errol Mitchell. *NEWSDAY*, *Friday, February 12, 1999, p. 22.*

"Mitchell said it was important to assure Hindus that the S.D.A. did not support any of the "derogatory" comments on Hinduism made by the Thusians", "we have respect for every religious group in this country and it is not correct for any religious group to attack another", *Trinidad Guardian*, *Friday 12th Feb. 1999, p. 3.* "We (SDA) believe in the freedom in religion and belief and I don't think any religious group is entitled in condemning another. Pastor Cyril Horrel in **Trinidad Guardian Tuesday, February 2 1999. P. 3**

If the statements (on respect of religion) of the Hindus and the SDA leaders are one and the same, and it was the Hindus who pushed for section 7 of the Equal Opportunity Bill; what can the S.D.A leaders or the Religious liberty Director and secretaries now say about section 7? Isn't the logic clear that they will have the very same view of section 7 ? Here is the proof:- "Maharaj was requested by the Edinburgh Hindu Temple to address it at its weekly religious service to state government's position in respect of derogatory actions or remarks made against Hindus and others established religious institutions." Equal Opportunities Commission to pro-mote equality amongst all religious groups. *Ministry of the Attorney General. The Hon. Ramesh Lawrence Maharaj. S.C. Attorney General Sunday 8th March 1998, p. 23*

"Seventeen Hindu Organization are calling on Attorney General to expedite the Equal

Opportunities Bill and use all means to protect Hindus in Trinidad and Tobago, "It was determined that Hindus are placed at a great disadvantage by the blasphemy laws of Trinidad and Tobago and that the Attorney General expedite legislation on the Equal Opportunities Bill and secure means to protect Hindus in Trinidad and Tobago". Beesram Sewdath, Public Relation Officer of the Amarjyoth Sabainc. *Trinidad Guardian* 12 February 1999.P3.

APPENDIX C

CONFLICT IN ST. VINCENT

Here is evidence of the conflict we had with the SDA in St. Vincent having to reach the print media. I was interviewed by the local paper 'The Vincentian.'

The first article shows an interview based on my comments of the question posed to Dr. Bacchiocchi as well as a summary of the Sabbath heresies contained in his book.

The Thusian Seventh Day Adventist Church, an emerging religious body in the region, is planning to do an expose of a book written by Dr. Samuele Bacchiocchi, an Italian-born University lecturer. The book, "From Sabbath to Sunday," is alleged to contain contradictory writings. And its author is being described as a Catholic disguised as a Seventh Day Adventist. Trinidadian-born Thusian Missionary to the sub-region, Mr. Wiesmullan Von Bruggen, in an interview with The Vincentian yesterday said that Dr. Bacchiocchi's book suggests "Compromise of the Sabbath" since it carried the Catholic imprimatur - a seal of approval. Mr. Von Bruggen stated, "This book received the imprimatur meaning it was sanctioned by the Catholics. This means that the book contained no doctrine against the Catholic Church. It means it is free of heresy and it is recommended to all Catholics to read. I am asking, how can a Seventh Day Adventist write a book against Sunday worship and the Catholics accept it? That is contradictory. It means then that his book has a compromise about the Sabbath,"

Von Bruggen stated. The Thusian SDA Missionary pointed out a number of contradictions. He stated, "In about nine places, so far as I've read. Dr. Bacchiocchi called the Sabbath a 'Jewish Sabbath', a tradition of Jewish religion. There is no statement of that in the Bible. The Bible Sabbath is the only Sabbath of Yahweh our God. It was [not] a Jewish Sabbath. You can see in the book of Revelation where you have John saying, "I was with [in] the Spirit on the Lord's day," according to traditional Seventh Day Adventists, which means clearly, the good Lord says. Revelation 1:10, is the Sabbath. But, Dr. Bacchiocchi is saying that the Lord's day, in Revelation 1:10, is not the Seventh Day Sabbath. It is idea in argument or idea of the second coming of Jesus Christ. So, he is moving away from traditional Adventist view. The Thusian Missionary added, "Also, in Colossians 2:16, it says that we should not eat or drink on Sabbath days.* The

word Sabbath day means a ceremonial or symbolic Sabbath. Dr. Bacchiocchi is saying it is not symbolic or ceremonial Sabbath. Therefore, what he is saying is Seventh Day Sabbath is abolished. Also Dr. Bacchiocchi makes reference to the Lord's day as Sunday, one hundred and sixty times in his book. But, the Sabbath day doesn't have so much prominence in his book.

* *"Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days:" Col 2:16.*

The second article is of the exchange and lies of the president of the Eastern Caribbean Church of SDA, Pastor James Daniel, when he stood on the podium and made scathing lies about us Thusians in relation to activities in Trinidad against the Hindus.

RELIGIOUS WAR?

Thusians Demand Apology From SDA Pastor

Two religious bodies appear to be headed for an ultimate war as their doctrinal battles continue to intensify. The most recent battle between the Seventh Day Adventists (SDA) and the Thusian church took place last Saturday at the Wibdeco Shed in Kingstown during a convention organized by the East Caribbean Conference of Seventh Day Adventists. Saturday's friction started when a visiting Trinidadian Thusian, Mr. Wiesmullan Von Bruggen, questioned Dr. Samuele Bacchiocchi about his book. "From Sabbath to Sunday". Dr. Bacchiocchi, a visiting Italian lecturer of church history and theology, was beckoned aside by the President of the East Caribbean Conference of SDA, Pastor James Daniel, who launched an attack on the Thusians accusing them of waging war against the Hindus and destroying Hindu symbols.

In an interview with The Vincentian, the Trinidadian Thusian Mr. Von Bruggen, denied the accusation calling them propaganda. He then called for Pastor James Daniel to apologize for the smear-campaign against his religious organization. "There was a question and answer period and I asked Dr. Bacchiocchi about the imprimatur in his book. He did not answer the question properly. I identified myself as a Thusian, and it was after I identified myself as a Thusian that Pastor James Daniel went on the podium and addressed the thousands plus members and made some insulting, derogatory attacks against us. He said that we declared war against the Hindus in Trinidad, pulled down all their flags and destroyed their place of worship. This is propaganda. We never did that. But, truly we had a war with the Hindus in Trinidad, in the sense of a religious war in regards to ideas.

We preach on our programmes that the religion is false and it is not of God; which is true. But we never pulled down any flag. As a matter of fact the Hindus in Trinidad spread propaganda onus and they threatened to kill us," Mr. Von Bruggen stated.

"This pastor owes us a public apology for his unintelligent, insulting attitude," Mr. Von Bruggen charged. *Vincentian Newspaper, Back page, Friday 20th October, 2000.*