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Chancellor's Update

You Be the Judge

Sometime in mid-1977 we were invited to attend a briefing session from two Jesuits who had come from Rome. The invitation was from a very close friend of ours who was Fr. Pedro Arrupe's personal canon lawyer and also the only priest in the history of the Church to have translated the code of canon law from Latin to Japanese.

The session was very interesting but can be summarized in a few sentences. The conclusion was that "Communism was the wave of the future and they were preparing the Church to live under and survive the communist takeover of the world through the United Nations and that the Church would be the world's Non-Governmental Organization (NGO). When the presentation was over and we could make comments, we said that they were crazy because "You cannot make a deal with the devil particularly when he is in the driver's seat". They answered "Don't you believe in the Holy Spirit?" We said "Yes, but we don't believe in you and your ideas." Now since General Congregation 31 of the Jesuit Order is history and we have a Jesuit Pope on the throne, we present Pope Francis' recent comments for your judgement.

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Pope urges world leaders to sign 'Global Pact' for 'new humanism'

The pope is beginning to quote Hillary Clinton regarding his agendas, and has taken a hard turn to the secular, mentioning God just once in a new educational plan.

The Daily Wire reports on a plan in which the pope is inviting representatives of multiple religions, international groups and others to sign a "Global Pact of Education."

He wants to "Hand on to younger generations a united and fraternal common home." There, he quotes Clinton in saying "It takes a village" to raise children.

The Vatican said just days ago the pope confirmed, in a video message, "A global educational pact is needed to educate us in universal solidarity and a new humanism."

Lifesite News reported, "Vatican-backed website launched to promote the pact added: 'Educating young people in fraternity, in learning to overcome divisions and conflicts, promote hospitality, justice and peace: Pope Francis has invited everyone who cares about the education of the young generation to sign a Global Pact, to create a global change of mentality through education."

The announcement mentioned "one throw-away reference to the Lord," the report said.

He said the world's inhabitants have to be proactive in education goals. Without regard to the status quo.

"This will result in men and women who are open, responsible, prepared to listen, dialogue and reflect with others, and capable of weaving relationships with families, between generations, and with civil society, and thus to create a new humanism," he said.

Lifesite noted some of the concerns with the announcement: "At a time when the right to homeschool and the right to a free choice of school are threatened, and when countries throughout the world level taxes to provide public schooling to which no Catholic parents could safely send their child, Pope Francis omitted any reference to the prerogatives of parents as the primary educators of their children."

He invited everyone "to work for this alliance and to be committed, individually and within our communities, to nurturing the dream of a humanism rooted in solidarity and responsive both to humanity's aspirations and to God's plan."

He assigned the Vatican's Congregation for Catholic Education to run forward with the plan. That church division is charged with overseeing "216 thousand Catholic schools, attended by over 60 million pupils and 1,750 Catholic universities, with over 11 million students."

Plans are for a convention of sorts to happen May 24, 2020.

He said an alliance is required "between the earth's inhabitants and our 'common home,' which we are bound to care for and respect. An alliance that generates peace, justice and hospitality among all peoples of the human family, as well as dialogue between religions."

He said, just weeks ago, that perhaps the world needs to change a lot.

"In the current situation of globalization not only of the economy but also of technological and cultural exchanges, the nation-state is no longer able to procure the common good of its population alone," he told the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences in May. "While, according to the principle of subsidiarity, individual nations must be given the power to operate as far as they can, on the other hand, groups of neighboring nations - as is already the case - can strengthen their cooperation by attributing the exercise of certain functions and services to intergovernmental institutions that manage their common interests."

It is now possible to understand the Church's new China policy.

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