

The Words of the Lord, recorded through the prophet Jeremiah, continue to ring clear: "For My people have committed two evils: They have forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters, And hewn themselves cisterns — broken cisterns that can hold no water" (Jeremiah 2:13).

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## NEWS UPDATES

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The 58-year-old Coleman had been serving as the director of the church's family ministries. Juan Carlos Ortiz, who stepped in as an interim pastor following the ousting of Robert A. Schuller, will continue his role as a teaching pastor.

Schuller's ministry posted a statement on its Website saying that in the wee hours of one morning God spoke to the 82-year-old Schuller, telling him, "Don't worry. I have called your daughter Sheila, too. She is equipped and she will be your legs."

According to the *Orange County Register*, Coleman said her taking over the reins of the leadership of the church founded by her father was unexpected. She told the newspaper, "Our church didn't even start ordaining women until 1973. I'm proud of my dad for doing this, and I hope I can serve as a role model for younger women who want to get things accomplished in this church."

While Coleman will appear on the *Hour of Power* program, "it hasn't been determined how much she will preach," a church spokesman told the Associated Press.

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## LAWSUIT CHARGES DOLLAR CASHES IN

Televangelist Creflo Dollar has been accused of ripping off a spiritual text messaging service created by a former employee. A lawsuit filed in June in California accuses the Atlanta-based pastor, his son, and other ministry staff of "breach of nondisclosure agreement, fraud, unjust enrichment, civil conspiracy, breach of contract and misappropriation of trade secrets," according to the Associated Press.

Devone Lawson of Marina del Rey, Calif., said he spent a year in 2004 with Dollar's World Changers Church International developing a program which sent daily inspirational text messages to the cell phones of church members and subscribers. Lawson said that Dollar and his ministry then stole his idea and established another text messaging service, which was called "Word on the Go."

The AP report said, "Attorneys for Lawson estimate the \$4.99 per month subscription service generates more than \$50 million a year in revenue."

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### PERSONAL FREEDOM OUTREACH — STATEMENT OF BELIEF

- I. THE BIBLE AS THE DIVINELY INSPIRED, INERRANT WORD OF GOD: IT IS IN ITS ENTIRETY THE SOLE AUTHORITY FOR ALL MATTERS OF CHRISTIAN BELIEF AND PRACTICE.
- II. THE ONE TRUE GOD. IN THE ONE TRUE GOD THERE EXIST THREE PERSONS, BEING: THE FATHER, THE SON JESUS CHRIST, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT.
- III. JESUS CHRIST: HIS DEITY, HUMANITY, VIRGIN BIRTH, SINLESSNESS, DEATH AND BODILY RESURRECTION; WHO WILL PERSONALLY AND VISIBLY RETURN AGAIN TO EARTH.
- IV. THE PERSONALITY AND DEITY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.
- V. THE EXISTENCE AND PERSONALITY OF SATAN, HIS TOTAL OPPOSITION TO GOD, AND HIS POWER OVER THE UNREGENERATE.
- VI. THE COMPLETE AND TOTAL DEPRAVITY OF ALL MEN WHICH MAKES THEM HOPELESSLY LOST WITHOUT THE NEW BIRTH OBTAINABLE THROUGH FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST.
- VII. THE FINAL ESTATE OF MAN: FOR THE SAVED, EVERLASTING LIFE IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD AND FOR THE UNSAVED, EVERLASTING PUNISHMENT BECAUSE OF THEIR UNBELIEF.
- VIII. THE GOSPEL BY WHICH WE ARE SAVED BEING SUMMED IN THE DEATH, BURIAL AND RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.
- IX. THE CHURCH BEING THE BODY OF CHRIST, UNITED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, CONSISTING OF THOSE WHO HAVE RECEIVED JESUS CHRIST AS SAVIOR. A LOCAL CHURCH IS AN ORGANIZED ASSEMBLY OF BELIEVERS UNITED FOR THE PURPOSE OF CARRYING OUT THE GREAT COMMISSION OF CHRIST.
- X. THE GREAT COMMISSION OF CHRIST BEING TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO ALL MEN, BAPTIZING AND DISCIPLING THOSE WHO HAVE BELIEVED.