Bishop Straling issues a call for prayers for El Salvador murdered, injured or oppressed

What follows is the text of a statement by the Most Rev. Phillip F. Straling, Roman Catholic Bishop of San Bernardino, concerning the murders of six Jesuit priests and two lay persons in El Salvador November 16:

"It is with sadness that the world learned of the deaths of six Jesuit and two lay staff members of Central American University in San Salvador, El Salvador. This sadness is compounded by thoughts of the many hundreds who have recently lost their lives, suffered injuries or have been displaced by the renewed fighting in that country. Violence, war, murder and oppression of the poor is contradictory to the Gospel and has never been an instrument of peace or building of family and community. I call upon the faithful of this diocese to join in prayer for those murdered, injured, or oppressed because of the present acts of war and violence. I also ask your support in calling upon our own government to be an instrument of peace, refusing monetary or military aid to those who engage in acts of war and murder."

Dear President Bush:

We the undersigned, as individuals or as persons who represent organizations, churches, groups, etc., do hereby express unequivocally our anger and discontent with the policy of your administration towards El Salvador.

Under the guise of assisting a Democratic ally, the United States is fostering a reactionary, militaristic, and repressive government in El Salvador thereby condoning the systematic genocide of the Salvadoran people. The recent killings of the six Jesuit priests and two lay people, along with the killings of thousands since 1980, is indicative of this policy.

Currently, the capital, San Salvador is in a state of siege. Hundreds have been killed. Death squads are running rampant throughout El Salvador indiscriminately targetting and murdering innocent people. The United States, through our inaction in the arena of human rights and our bolstering of the Salvadoran military is indirectly responsible for the butchering of those who wield the knife, or fire the gun against innocent people.

Therefore, we the undersigned, do hereby request from your administration a commitment to a rectification process designed to bring peace to the people of El Salvador by adopting the following recommendations:

1. Place a freeze on U.S. military assistance to El Salvador;
2. Remove the U.S. Delta Force and Military Advisors from El Salvador;
3. Pressure the Cristiani Regime to seriously undertake negotiations with the FMLN for purposes of seeking a peaceful resolution to the conflict in El Salvador; and
4. The United States must make a serious commitment to the advancement of Human Rights by pressuring the Cristiani Regime to initiate a thorough investigation into the killing of the six priests and two lay people which will result with the prosecution of those found guilty to the full extent of the law.

Thus, Mr. President, we implore you, as the leader of the greatest democracy on Earth, that you commit your administration to a process of bringing peace to El Salvador and Central America through negotiations and not war.

Respectfully Yours,
By Rebecca Vigil Girón
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The Sandinistas should not have cancelled the cease-fire in Nicaragua. But President Bush and Congress should not respond by renewing military or so-called humanitarian aid to the Contras. Instead, the administration should support regional efforts to reinitiate the cease-fire.

Regional peace and free elections are at stake in President Ortega's response to Contra violations of the 18-month-old cease-fire. If the United States overreacts with renewed military aid, it may compel Nicaragua to cancel the February 1990 balloting.

President Ortega has every right and obligation to protect Nicaraguan citizens from Contra terrorist attacks. Since the cease-fire began in March 1988, more than 700 Nicaraguans have died. Ambushes of Nicaraguan reservists and citizens resulting in 22 deaths are only the most recent of a series of contra attacks in defiance of the efforts of the Organization of American States and United Nations to demobilize them.

Indeed, earlier this month, Contra high commander Enrique Bermudez, a former colonel under the Somoza dictatorship, announced that the U.S.-sponsored Contra forces would reinitiate into Nicaragua from Honduras rather than return to civilian life and partici­pate in the elections. Since then, 2,000 armed Contras have entered Nicaragua and joining the 3,000 already in place. Some conservative pundits have opined that President Ortega's moves reflect desperation and a recognition that an honest election will cause his demise. But there is little evidence to support this analysis. Independent polls generally show the Sandinistas running 3-to-2 over United Nicaraguan Opposition (UNO) candidate Violeta Chamorro, with one-third of the electorate still undecided. The Sandinistas have a national organization with 50,000 hard-core members. They dwarf the combined forces of all 10 registered opposition groups. The Black dropout rate of 11.9 remains close to the Hispanic rate of 11.7 percent, while the White rate of 11.7 percent, while the Hispanic groups. The Black dropout rate of 10.0 percent is now less than the White rate of 11.7 percent, while the Hispanic rate of 11.9 remains close to the White rate.

The crisis presents an opportunity to reform the education system. Despite improvements, it still produces far too many who do not work up to their full potential. Increased student frustration and even­ual dropping out of school. An analysis of these 410 ninth grade dropouts showed them to be older or over the normal age for their grade.

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Although the rates decreased for all grade levels, it has fluctuated for ninth grade students. In 1985-86 the rate for this group was 11.1 percent, in 1986-87 it went up to 14.2 percent, but during the 1987-88 decreased to 11.6 percent. Dr. Karpman said this could be attributed to a policy change which went into effect during the 1986-87 school year which required a certain number of credits in order for a student to be promoted to the next grade. This meant more retention which could lead to increased student frustration and eventual dropping out of school. An analysis of these 410 ninth grade dropouts showed them to be older or over the normal age for their grade.

Janet Reynolds, Director of Alternative Programs, presented an update to the Board on the District's efforts in preventing and reducing the dropout rate. Because there are many factors which can lead to students dropping out of school, the District has approached the problem by developing a variety of programs to address these factors. These include programs designed specifically for student athletes, for students who have the ability but who do not work up to their full potential, High Intensity Language Training (HILT) at the elementary and secondary levels, programs such as MESA (Mathematics, Engineering and Science Achievement) designed especially for minority students. and Spartan Academy, an intense tow-year program for at-risk 9th and 10th grade students.

Dr. E. Neal Roberts, Superintendent, said he is pleased with the decrease in the dropout rate. But he said, "We will continue to work to bring it down even further. This is one of the goals of our Five-Year Plan. I am very happy to see the strategies that were developed to meet this goal are beginning to pay off."
Lucy Cardona selected for CSUSB Forgivable Loan/Doctoral Incentive Program

Lucy Cardona, a Highland resident and member of the advisory committee for the Cal State, San Bernardino Department of Social Work, is one of 150 doctoral candidates selected thus far to participate in the California State University Forgivable Loan/Doctoral Incentive Program. Designed to encourage minorities and women to pursue doctorates and teach in academic fields where they are underrepresented in the CSU system, loans of up to $10,000 a year will be reduced or "forgiven" by 20 percent with each postdoctoral year that a participant teaches full time in the CSU system for five years. Participants may receive as many as three $10,000 loans. The program began in 1987 with 60 participants.

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Harry Munoz returns to Colton as Assistant H.S. Principal

"It's great to be back," said Harry Munoz, Colton High School's new assistant principal.

Munoz, 41, began his new duties on October 23, following a three year absence from Colton High School. He taught American history and world civilization, coached the football and baseball teams and directed the positive attendance program at CHS from 1975 to 1986. Between 1986 and October 1989, Munoz served as Banning High School's associate principal.

His return to Colton High has made the community in providing a quality education at the high school," he said. At Colton High, Munoz supervises the athletic programs, student discipline and buildings and grounds.

Munoz began his teaching career in the Redlands Unified School District. He taught history and physical education at Clement Junior High School for three years, following his graduation from California State University, Long Beach, in 1971.

Munoz and his wife, Darlene Gamboa, a microbiologist at San Bernardino Valley College, live in Redlands with their two children, Joseph and Lia.

Hank S. Alvarez new R.O.P. Program Manager for Colton, Yucaipa, Redlands R.O.P. Unit

Hank S. Alvarez is the new program manager/district liaison for the Colton-Redlands-Yucaipa Regional Occupational Program which provides tuition-free vocational training to adults, high school students, and out-of-school youth.

Alvarez is responsible for the supervision of ROP vocational education programs and assessment of ROP teachers at Colton and Bloomington High Schools and at off-campus sites in the Colton Joint Unified School District.

Alvarez has 17 1/2 years experience as auto mechanic, service manager, and garage owner. Prior to joining CRY-ROP, he worked for coastline ROP where he taught automotive repair for six years and supervised the trade and industrial education department for four years.

He earned his bachelor's degree in Multicultural Vocational Education and his master's degree in Vocational Education from California State University Long Beach.

A lover of historical literature, Alvarez had planned to major in history but changed his mind when influenced by former California State Superintendent of Schools Wilson Riles who said that any student who graduates from high school should have some marketable vocational skills.

"He made common sense to me, and I saw a need for people to work with kids and to teach them a trade," said Alvarez.

Alvarez says that a good vocational teacher should be reinforcing the core curriculum.

"I would take kids who said they hated math but who had an interest in automotive repair, teach them the formula for a cylinder and have them find the cubic inch displacement of an engine. These kids, who were failing math, were doing elementary geometry and loving it," said Alvarez.

Alvarez believes that vocational education gives high school students an opportunity to look at a field close up and to teach them a trade," said Alvarez.

Commenting on his move from Coastline ROP to CRY-ROP, Alvarez said, "I have been to CRY-ROP as part of a Western Association of Schools and colleges (WASC) accreditation team last spring and had been impressed with the organization and its people."

"Later, when I heard about the Program Manager job opening, I got really enthusiastic. With the area's rapid growth, we have many opportunities for building good vocational education programs."

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Leonard-Duran III fight on closed-circuit TV at S.B. sports center

Almost nine years since their last encounter, which ended with Roberto Duran’s infamous cry of “No Mas, No Mas.” Sugar Ray Leonard and Duran will meet for a third time—Uno Mas—on Thursday, Dec. 7 at The Mirage in Las Vegas. The 12-round rubber match will be shown live on closed-circuit television at the National Orange Show’s Sport Center in San Bernardino. Doors will open at 6 p.m.

Leonard, (35-1-1, 25 KOs) fresh off his thrilling 12-round draw with Thomas “Hit Man” Hearns at Caesars Palace on June 12, will put his WBC super middleweight championship on the line against the Panamanian great. The Leonard/Hearns match was also seen on closed-circuit television at the National Orange Show.

Duran, (85-7, 61 KOs) will make his first appearance since winning the WBC middleweight crown on February 24 with a stunning split decision win over Iran Barkley.

Advance tickets are $35 each and are available beginning Nov. 13 at the National Orange Show’s Administration Building at 689 South “E” Street in San Bernardino. Call (714) 383-5444 for additional information.

Grupo Folklorico accepting registrations

Grupo Folklorico California is now accepting registration for new students. Registration will take place on Wednesday, November 29, 1989 and December 6, 1989, from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM at Hutton Center, 660 Colton Avenue, in Colton. Registration will continue every Wednesday in December at 6:00 PM at the Hutton Center.

Interested students ages 5 years old and up are encouraged to register. A Folklorico Group for teenagers and adults interested in touring throughout California is also being formed.

Mexican folk dance classes will be held on Wednesdays for beginners from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the Hutton Center and will begin on Wednesday, December 6, 1989. Intermediate and advance classes will be held on Wednesdays from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM beginning December 6, 1989.

Fee is $20 per month per student.

For more information or pre-registration contact Rossana Carrasco at (714) 885-7760.

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STAFF TOXICOLOGIST

The California State Department of Health Services is recruiting for Staff Toxicologists for immediate openings. An employment examination is scheduled for fall, 1989. The examination will be based 100 percent on interview. Telephone interviews are permissible. Vacancies exist in Sacramento, Emeryville, Berkeley, and Los Angeles. The areas of involvement will be environmental toxicology and risk assessment. The annual salary will start at $50,748 - $61,392. To qualify for the Staff Toxicologist exam, you must have a Doctoral degree in toxicology, biochemistry, pharmacology or a closely related specialty and three years of postdoctoral experience in toxicology.

Please send your resume to:
State Department of Health Services
Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
714 P Street, Room 442
Sacramento, CA 95814
ATTN: Donna Rowe
For assistance or further Information, call Donna Rowe at (916) 323-2249.

ASSOCIATE TOXICOLOGIST

The California State Department of Health Services is recruiting for Associate toxicologists for immediate openings. An employment examination is scheduled for fall, 1989. The examination will be based 100 percent on interview. Telephone interviews are permissible. Vacancies exist in Sacramento, Emeryville, Berkeley, and Los Angeles. The areas of involvement will be environmental toxicology and risk assessment. The annual salary will start at $38,304 - $50,748. To qualify for the Associate Toxicologist exam, you must have a Doctoral Degree in toxicology or closely related specialty; or possession of a Masters Degree in toxicology or closely related specialty and three years experience, past the Masters Degree, in the area of toxicology; or certification as a Diplomate of the American Board of Toxicology.

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Mr. Mark Soria, New York Life Insurance Company, has achieved the Executive Council for 1989. The award is for insurance agents who have exceeded the high quota that is established by the Company. Mr. Soria has continually qualified for the executive Council in New York Life since 1983 when he joined the local agency. He is a member of the National Association of Life Underwriters and has been previously awarded the National Quality Award and Sales Achievement Award by the N.A.L.U.

He is involved in assisting the community with business and personal insurance and investments, and attributes his success to hard work, sincere honesty and quality service. He resides in Grand Terrace with his wife, Ginger and son, Mark, Jr. Mr. Soria's office is located at 440 Court Street, San Bernardino.

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Wednesday, November 29, 1989
Opening The War On Blight...

S.B... CLEAN-UP FOR CHRISTMAS!

If S.B. is to be a healthy community, we must make it a well kept one. Investors will not bring money to a City which does not respect itself. Here are 3-ways you can help clean-up your neighborhood, earn Christmas Cash, and see that people who are not keeping up their property are forced to do so.

Part 1. - Win up to $1,000 and/or a Key-To-The-City!

To encourage volunteer work the city has arranged with private groups to post a $1,000, $500 and two $250 awards for the best volunteer CHRISTMAS CLEAN-UP efforts.

THE RULES ARE SIMPLE:
1. Take a picture of the blighted area before you clean it up.
2. Describe your group and your project area, including its location.
3. Mail these materials to the address below.
4. Clean the area by Monday, December 4th.

Fred Wilson
San Bernardino Blight Coordinator
300 North "D" Street • San Bernardino, CA 92418

The City will inspect each area, and judge who has done the best work for the prizes. Every participant will receive a Blight Buster bumper sticker and a Key-To-The-City from the Mayor at a televised City Hall ceremony Friday, December 8th.

Part 2. - Groups Can Earn $200-$1,000?

The City has identified over 60 streets and lots as severely blighted. It has decided what work is needed to clean each site, and estimated the time to do so. A price tag has been placed on each site, ranging from $200-$1,000, depending on how many hours it will take to clean it.

Who Can Earn The Cash?
To enlist citizens in the War on Blight, the City will pay anyone, from a group of neighbors to a non-profit organization, willing to clean these sites. Work will include removing trash, debris and weeds. City refuse trucks will pick up collected debris from the edge of the property.

How To Sign Up?
Groups can sign up by mailing in the form below, by Friday, Dec. 1st. Be sure to indicate the number of workers, and hours willing to work.

Mail to: Fred Wilson at the address under Part 1.

Your group will be matched with the available projects and given a site and a price.

APPLICATION FORM

| GROUP: |
| LEADER: |
| ADDRESS: | ZIP: |
| DAY PHONE: | AGE LEVELS: |
| NO. OF HOURS: | NO. OF PEOPLE: | TOTAL NO. WORK/HRS. |

WHAT ARE THE RULES?
1. Work is to be done Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 9-10, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
2. There will be a briefing for group leaders on Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 7:00 p.m. at the City Council Chambers.
3. Groups must have transportation and tools. The City will supply trash bags.
4. Debris will be picked up at the curb.
5. Minors must have adult supervision.
6. City will inspect sites before payment is made to insure work is satisfactory.
7. A televised awards ceremony will be held Friday, Dec. 15th, at City Hall, where checks will be distributed by the Mayor.
8. Checks will be made out to the group, which may use the money as it sees fit.
9. If work is partially complete, checks will be pro rated.
10. All groups are deemed to be independent contractors, not city employees.

Part 3. - Reporting Blighted Property

It is now a violation of city ordinance to have a lot that is full of trash, or a fire hazard. Houses cannot have broken windows, peeling paint, leaning fences, cars on lawns, or piles of junk. Walls cannot remain filled with graffiti!

If someone is not maintaining property in your neighborhood, call the Blight Buster Hotline: 384-5443

and report the problem and the location. The City will begin warnings and legal action to clean up the problem.