

Lausannemovement – Billy Graham

<http://www.varldenidag.se/nyhet/2011/08/01/John-Stott-dod/> - John Stott död Publicerad: 2011-08-01

Känd som författare till Lausannedeklarationen 1974

John Stott avled i onsdags kväll i sitt hem i England, 90 år gammal. I honom har den evangeliska kristen-heten förlorat en av sina förgrundsgestalter och stora teologer.

John Stott, prästvigd i Church of England, är inte ett lika känt namn som den amerikanske evangelisten Billy Graham.

Genom sina tal, resor och fler än

50 böcker bidrog han dock på ett avgörande sätt till att forma 1900-talets evangelikala kristenhet. Inte minst gjöt han nytt liv i den evangelikala rörelsen inom sin egen kyrka, Church of England.

Tillsammans med Billy Graham var John Stott med om att utarbeta Lausannedeklarationen (1974) och Manila-deklarationen (1989), två skrivelser som har gett evangeliskt kristna världen över en gemensam grund att stå på.

<http://sv.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lausannedeklarationen> - **Lausannedeklarationen**

Lausannedeklarationen är en **evangelikal kristen trosbekännelse** med inriktning på **mission** och **evangelisation**, antagen vid en internationell kongress för världsevangelisation i **Lausanne, Schweiz, 1974** på initiativ av predikanten **Billy Graham**. Vid mötet deltog över 2300 kristna från mer än 150 nationer.

Lausannedeklaration blev grunden för Lausannerörelsen (Lausanne Committee for World Evangelization). Flera kristna **samfund** och missionsorganisationer har senare antagit Lausannedeklarationen som ideologiskt dokument för sitt eget arbete. Detta pga att dokumentet sammanfattar centrala ståndpunkter rörande **teologi, evangelisation** och **mission**.

1989 samlades Lausannerörelsen en andra internationell kongress för världsevangelisation och antog då det s.k. **Manilamanifestet**

<http://www.lausanne.org/en/> - **The Lausanne Movement**

A worldwide movement that mobilizes evangelical leaders to collaborate for world evangelization

<http://www.lausanne.org/en/about.html> - **About the Lausanne Movement**

The story of Lausanne begins with the evangelist Dr Billy Graham. As he started preaching internationally, he developed a passion to 'unite all evangelicals in the common task of the total evangelization of the world'.

A major achievement of the congress was to develop The Lausanne Covenant. **John Stott chaired the drafting committee and is best described as its chief architect**. This was to be a Covenant with God, publicly declared, and a Covenant with one another; it has proved to be one of most widely-used documents in modern church history. The Covenant has helped to define evangelical theology and practice, and has set the stage for many new partnerships and alliances. On the last day of the congress, it was **publicly signed by Billy Graham and by Anglican Bishop Jack Dain of Sydney, Australia**. It has since been signed personally by thousands of believers, and it continues to serve as a basis for unity and a call to global evangelization.

(KJ= John Stott deceased in the end of 2011)

<http://www.lausanne.org/en/documents/lausanne-covenant.html> - The Lausanne Covenant

I CHALLENGE EACH ONE TO READ THROUGH THE ENTIRE COVENANT!

INTRODUCTION

We, members of the Church of Jesus Christ, from more than 150 nations, participants in the International Congress on World Evangelization at Lausanne, praise God for his great salvation and rejoice in the fellowship he has given us with himself and with each other. We are deeply stirred by what God is doing in our day, moved to penitence by our failures and challenged by the unfinished task of evangelization. We believe the Gospel is God's good news for the whole world, and we are determined by his grace to obey Christ's commission to proclaim it to all mankind and to make disciples of every nation. We desire, therefore, to affirm our faith and our resolve, and to make public our covenant.

<http://www.lausanne.org/en/documents/manila-manifesto.html> - The Manila Manifesto
THE TWENTY-ONE AFFIRMATIONS of the Manila Manifesto

1. We affirm our continuing commitment to the Lausanne Covenant as the basis of our cooperation in the Lausanne movement.
2. ...
3. ...

READ AND FIND OUT FOR YOURSELF EXACTLY WHAT THEY AFFIRM!

So we repudiate false gospels which deny human sin, divine judgment, the deity and incarnation of Jesus Christ, and the necessity of the cross and resurrection. We also reject half-gospels, which minimize sin and confuse God's grace with human self-effort. We confess that we ourselves have sometimes trivialized the gospel. But we determine in our evangelism to remember God's radical diagnosis and his equally radical remedy. (Ac. 2:27; Ge. 1:26,27; Ro. 3:9-18; 2 Ti. 3:2-4; Ge. 3:17-24; Ro. 1:29-31; Ge. 1:26, 28; 2:15; Ro. 1:20; 2:1; 3:19; Mt. 7:13; Mt. 5:46; 7:11; 1 Ti. 6:16; Ac. 17:22-31; Ro. 3:20; Eph. 2:1-3; Gal. 1:6-9; 2 Co. 11:2-4; 1 Jn. 2:22, 23; 4:1-3; 1 Co 15:3,4; Jer. 6:14; 8:11)

We also affirm that apologetics, namely "the defence and confirmation of the gospel", is integral to the biblical understanding of mission and essential for effective witness in the modern world. Paul "reasoned" with people out of the Scriptures, with a view to "persuading" them of the truth of the gospel. So must we. In fact, all Christians should be ready to give a reason for the hope that is in them.

CONCLUSION: PROCLAIM CHRIST UNTIL HE COMES

"Proclaim Christ until he comes". That has been the theme of Lausanne II. Of course we believe that Christ has come; he came when Augustus was Emperor of Rome. But one day, as we know from his promises, he will come again in unimaginable splendor to perfect his kingdom. We are commanded to watch and be ready. Meanwhile, the gap between his two comings is to be filled with the Christian missionary enterprise. We have been told to go to the ends of the earth with the gospel, and we have been promised that the end of the age will come only when we have done so. The two ends (of earth space and time) will coincide. Until then he has pledged to be with us.

So the Christian mission is an urgent task. We do not know how long we have. We certainly have no time to waste. And in order to get on urgently with our responsibility, other qualities will be necessary, especially unity (we must evangelize together) and sacrifice (we must count and accept the cost). Our covenant at Lausanne was "to pray, to plan and **to work together** for the evangelization of the whole world". Our manifesto at Manila is that **the whole church is called to take the whole gospel to the whole world**, proclaiming Christ until he comes, with all necessary urgency, unity and sacrifice. (Lk. 2:1-7; Mk. 13:26,27; Mk. 13:32-37; Ac. 1:8; Mt. 24:14; Mt. 28:20)

= Ecumenicalism

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Above we can see that the Lausanne Declaration has high/deep confessions...

But the question is whether those who are members follow it in practice?

Why, in that case, does the church look as it does – with apostasy and compromises of Truth?
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<http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/wagnerquotes.html> - C. Peter Wagner - Quotes & Notes

Dominionism

"The cultural mandate, which some refer to as Christian social responsibility goes as far back as the Garden of Eden. After God created Adam and Eve, He said to them: "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing... Both the cultural mandate and the evangelistic mandate are essential parts of biblical mission, in my opinion. Neither is optional. There is a growing consensus on this point in Evangelical circles. This was not true as early as twenty-two years ago when the Berlin World 'Congress on Evangelism was held in 1966. One of the first Evangelicals to stress the cultural mandate in a public forum was Horace Fenton of the Latin America Mission at the Wheaton Congress on the Church's Worldwide Mission, also held in 1966. Following that, **the social consciousness generated by the social upheavals of the 1960's brought the cultural mandate to prominence until it was given a relatively high profile on the platform of the International Congress on World Evangelization at Lausanne in 1974.**" (C. Peter Wagner, "On the Cutting Edge of Mission Strategy," Perspectives on the World Christian Movement, A Reader, Revised Edition (Pasadena: William Carey Library, 1981,1992), pp. D-45-46.)

Some links about Billy Graham: (Who turned 93 years old November 7, 2011)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Billy_Graham - *Billy Graham*

<http://www.cuttingedge.org/News/n1355.cfm>

Title: MEET THE REAL REVEREND BILLY GRAHAM -- HE IS NOT THE PERSON WHOM YOU THOUGHT YOU KNEW!

Subtitle: With evidence garnered from places other than the public Graham Crusades, we find that Graham might be a Freemason, that his fruits are leading the church into the One-World System of Antichrist, and that his doctrines are definitely NOT Biblical.

These are harsh words...

But it is worth to read the entire article and understand why the writes makes such statements!

Here's a YouTube where you can see Billy Graham saying some of the quotes which are found in the below links:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ex4ioJbEltc&feature=player_embedded#! *New World Order Religion: The Great Global Apostate Church - DVD Trailer*

(Some clips are taken from the "Pagan Invasion"-series where Caryl Matrisciana was co-producer...)

I was involved in one of the Billy Graham Crusades in Jacksonville, Florida... (fall 2000 if I remember correctly!)

In retrospect – I NOW understand how "ecumenical" the whole event was...

All denominations in Jacksonville and neighbor towns were allowed to be involved... They had "training courses" in various churches where people could come to learn how to be involved and help take care of those who went forward during the altar call for salvation ...

When I read the book **The Gospel According to Rome - James McCarthy** - >>> ← click here! I realized even more the seriousness with Graham's Crusades... In the book it mentions about a Catholic who walks forward during the altar call for salvation, but is being referred to a table where a Catholic priest is... thus being turned back to the Catholicism... back into the bondage of confession to a priest, deeds, icons and the doctrine of purgatory...

The book does NOT say which "crusade" it was – BUT I instantly recognized the description!

As mentioned; I was myself involved in one and know how it is set up! Imagine my dismay! Although I did not know better then – I really thought he was a man of God – it felt very uncomfortable to find this out...

So also my involvement in the Billy Graham Crusades, I have had to confess and renounce and have received forgiveness and purification in the Blood of the Lamb! So I can, UNFORTUNATELY, verify that **Billy Graham does not come with a "pure Evangelical message" since he allows all denominations to be involved...**

THIS ARTICLE ALSO VERIFIES THIS:

<http://ovocebaptistainoltenia.wordpress.com/2010/05/03/why-we-cannot-support-the-billy-graham-crusade-by-e-l-bynum/>

Why We Cannot Support The Billy Graham Crusade By E. L. Bynum

... NOW, Graham will not hold a crusade unless the modernists are a part of the meeting and assist in the organization. In 1951, Jerry Beaven, a Graham organization man, wrote Dr. R. T. Ketcham and assured him that no decision cards were sent to Roman Catholic Churches and that Graham did not work with modernists. NOW, Graham openly works with modernists, commends them, and also sends decision cards from his meetings to Roman Catholic and other apostate churches.

Billy Graham says: "Anyone who makes a decision at our meetings is referred to a local clergyman, Protestant, Catholic, or Jewish." (1957) Roman Catholic Cardinal Cushing said: "I am 100% for the evangelist . . . I have never known a religious crusade that was more effective than Dr. Graham's. I have never heard the slightest criticism of anything he has ever said from any Catholic source." (1964) In 1963 Billy Graham said that he had a Roman Catholic bishop stand beside him and bless the "converts" as they came forward in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

The Graham Organization and the co-operating churches in the San Francisco Crusade appointed Dr. Farrah to follow up the "converts" and report on the same. He reported that of over 1,300 Catholics who came forward, "practically all remained Catholic", continued to pray to Mary,

went to Mass and confessed to the priest. (Sword of the Lord, 7/2/64.)

"The Catholic Voice" of Oakland, the official diocesan paper of the Roman Catholic Church said of the Billy Graham "converts", "If he is a Catholic, he is referred to a Catholic church." (1971) The Superior of the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome says: "The Catholic will hear no slighting of his Church's teaching authority, not of papal . . . prerogatives, no word against mass or sacraments or Catholic practices. The Catholic . . . will hear little if anything he cannot agree with." (1972) The press was told prior to the Graham Paris Crusade that those converts "requesting reaffirmation in the Catholic faith would be turned over to the Catholic Church."

No preacher that preaches the whole truth will ever receive the approval of the Roman Church. Graham does preach some truth, but he is an expert at knowing which truth to leave out in order to gain the support of Catholics, modernists and evangelicals.

THIS IS PROBABLY THE CASE FOR TOO MANY PREACHERS ALSO HERE IN SWEDEN...

Only eternity will reveal how many people Billy Graham has led into the ecumenical movement, and how many he has encouraged to stay in it because of his ministry of compromise.

"Paganism has made many efforts to disrupt the Christian faith, but never a more insistent or insidious effort than it is making today. There are three possible attitudes which you may take in the present conflict. In the first place, you may stand for Christ. That is the best. In the second place, you may stand for anti-Christian Modernism. That is next best. In the third place, you may be neutral. That is perhaps worst of all. **The worst sin today is to say that you agree with the Christian faith and believe in the Bible, but then make common cause with those who deny the basic facts of Christianity. Never was it more obviously true that he that is not with Christ is against Him.**" J. Gresham Machen (1924).

<http://www.propheticrevelation.com/misc/ecumove.htm> - **The Ecumenical Movement is one of the most controversial subjects in this present hour.**

What is the Ecumenical Movement?

The word 'ecumenical' comes from the Greek word 'oikoumene' which basically means 'this inhabited world'.

Even notable and influential churchmen speak of it with great favour. **The Evangelist Billy Graham** was quoted in a German newspaper as saying, "that it would be a great tragedy if the ecumenical policies of the late Pope John were reversed. 'Pope John brought an entirely new era to the world. It would be a great tragedy if the cardinals elect a pope who would react against the policies of Pope John and bring back the walls between the Christian faiths'." With such assurance, we are going to see (or have already seen) an endless procession of sincere people, their minds befogged with the spirit of delusion, join the wedding procession to union with Rome. The only ones who will escape this delusion will be those in whom is the mind of the Lord Jesus Christ -- The Word of God.

BELOW LINKS ARE FROM A TRUSTWORTHY APOLOGETIC WEBSITE: <http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/ecumenism.htm>

http://www.freepres.org/pamphlet_details.asp?graham_facts - **Billy Graham - The Facts**

Dr. Graham uses a deceptive fundamental terminology which is acceptable to liberals, Roman Catholics, and pagans alike. It is suspect and does not mean what the Bible means. It is this that makes Dr. Graham's ministry so dangerous. In this pamphlet Billy Graham and his liberal friends will speak for themselves. It will be for you, the reader, with the Scriptures, to decide whether there has been a transition from truth to error.

Compare Graham's position now with the statement he made August 1948 at a luncheon at the Conservative Baptist Association's Convention in Milwaukee. He was asked, 'Billy what do you expect the World Council of Churches to do in August?' His reply, 'I believe that they are going to nominate the anti-Christ'. 1974 at his Lausanne Congress Graham stated, 'I have nothing but the warmest of relations with the World Council of Churches'. The WCC has not changed except to become more wicked in its apostasy. Separation from error and apostasy is the crying need of the hour!

http://www.freepres.org/pamphlet_details.asp?graham_bible - **Billy Graham and His Bible**

Dr. Billy Graham constantly appeals to the Bible as the authority for his teaching. "The Bible says" is one of his most used expressions. It is good to make our appeal to Scripture, for it alone can be our final authority (Isaiah 8:20). But it must be more than empty words. There must be a full submission to what the Bible says. In the case of Billy Graham the question is:

Does the Bible support the statements and actions of Dr. Graham?

We must weigh Dr. Graham's words against the Bible -- with startling results.

DR. GRAHAM DECLARES HIS GOSPEL TO BE THAT OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Speaking at the Roman Catholic Belmont Abbey College, Noth Carolina, Dr. Graham said: "The gospel that built this school and the gospel that brings me here tonight is still the way to salvation" (Gastonia Gazette, November 22, 1967). That is plain enough. The then executive vice-president of Belmont Abbey College, Rev. Cuthbert E. Allen, agreed. He wrote, "I have followed Billy Graham's career and I must emphasize that he has been more Catholic than otherwise... **Billy Graham is preaching a moral and evangelical theology most acceptable to Catholics.**" (Personal letter, reproduced in *Billy Graham and the Church of Rome*, by I.R.K. Paisley, Appendix. Document No.3).

The question is: **What is the gospel according to the church of Rome?**

KJ's suggestion – BUY THE BOOK AND READ:

The Gospel According to Rome - James McCarthy >>>

A WOMAN RIDES THE BEAST – Dave Hunt >>>

<http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/graham.html> - **More Bewildering Statements From Billy Graham**

POPE IS GRAHAM'S 'MAN OF THE CENTURY' - Evang. Billy Graham said in a recent interview that he would pick Pope John Paul II as the man of the century (12/20/99 Religion Today). He said the Pope "has brought the greatest impact of any pope in the last 200 years. I admire his courage, determination, intellectual abilities, and his understanding of Catholic, Protestant, and Orthodox differences, and the attempt at some form of reconciliation."

<http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/grahamalpha.html> - **Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA) Promotes Alpha Course**

The BGEA is now apparently promoting Alpha Course. **Billy Graham himself, inviting Nicky Gumbel to do a workshop on the Alpha Course at Amsterdam 2000 (A2K), is quoted by Alpha News Online as following: Mr Graham wrote, "Your experience and expertise as a leader will be a great asset to the conference, and participants will gain invaluable knowledge and insight from the content of the workshop."** Read the following news story about Amsterdam 2000 (A2K).

ALPHA COURSE WORKSHOP AT AMSTERDAM 2000 - THE CALVARY CONTENDER - VOL. XVII NO. 17 Sept. 1, 2000
NEWS & VIEWS, NOTES & QUOTES, TO WARN & INFORM

Jerry Huffman-Editor

Billy Graham invited Alpha speaker Nicky Gumbel to present a workshop at the recent Amsterdam 2000 conference (7/27 Wisc. Report). **The Alpha course is very ecumenical and comes from an Anglican source (see 5/1 CC). It is compatible with Catholic teaching, and used by Catholic, liberal, charismatic, and other denominations.**

Letter To Billy Graham by Sandy Simpson, Deception In The Church, 8/27/00 - No Answer From BGEA As Of This Date!

<http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/bgealetter.html>

I am writing this letter to you to ask you to respond to a number of statements you have made, some very recently, that are of concern to the body of Christ. This letter is being sent to you at BGEA and will also be posted publicly on our web site in the hope that you will respond to the public statements you have made. We will also post your reply to this letter if you choose to do so.

<http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/finally.html>

--- There is more, but I don't think you can chalk all this up to hydrocephalus problems. **It shows to me that he has been hanging out with the wrong people and has absorbed and adopted a number of false ideas. This is why it is important for him to make a statement about these things himself to counteract the damaging effect these public statements and actions have had on his ministry.** I gave him the opportunity in 2000. My goal was always to prompt him to state that he was wrong and that he stands by the Gospel and sound doctrine.

Tit 1:13 .. Therefore, rebuke them sharply, so that they will be sound in the faith.

<http://www.deceptioninthechurch.com/monthly.html> - **What's Happening To Billy Graham?**

A multitude of good people in America have supported Billy Graham and his ministry. His positions on Biblical issues and questions have taken a nose dive in recent months. He has started including religious rock music in his crusades and speaks out extremely carelessly on many issues. The following quotes taken from an interview on Robert Schuller's television broadcast quotes give some insight into his thinking. Please take this American preacher before God in your prayers. When you see a man following the ways of ancient Eli, it breaks your heart.

Read these statements carefully. **He was interviewed by Robert Schuller on May 31, 1997.**

Schuller: Tell me, what do you think is the future of Christianity?

Graham: Well, Christianity and being a true believer-you know, I think there's the Body of Christ. This comes from all the Christian groups around the world, outside the Christian groups. **I think everybody that loves Christ or knows Christ, whether they're conscious of it or not, they're members of the Body of Christ.**

KJ = IF one "loves and knows Christ" (= a Christian/Born Again) one is CONSCIOUS of it!!!

And I don't think that we're going to see great sweeping revival, that will turn the whole world to Christ at any time. I think James answered that, the Apostle James in the first council in Jerusalem, when he said that God's purpose for this age is to call out a people for His name. **And that's what God is doing today, He's calling people out of the world for His name, whether they come from the Muslim world, or the Buddhist world, or the Christian world or the non-believing world, they are members of the Body of Christ because they've been called by God. They may not even know the name of Jesus but they know in their hearts that they need something that they don't have, and they turn to the only light that they have, and I think that they are saved and that they're going to be with us in heaven.**

Schuller: What, what I hear you saying that **it's possible for Jesus Christ to come into human hearts and soul and life, even if they've been born in darkness and have never had exposure to the Bible.** Is that a correct interpretation of what you're saying?

Graham: Yes, it is, because I believe that. I've met people in various parts of the world in tribal situations, that they have never seen a Bible or heard about a Bible, and never heard of Jesus, but they've believed in their hearts that there was a God, and they've tried to live a life that was quite apart from the surrounding community in which they lived.

Schuller: [R.S. trips over his tongue for a moment, his face beaming, then says] I'm so thrilled to hear you say this. There's a wideness in God's mercy.

Graham: There is. There definitely is.

<http://bbcinternational.org/believers/english/articles/topical%20research/ecumenical/billy%20graham.htm> **Billy Graham**



Compromising the Truth



The undiluted preaching from God's Word and an authoritative stand on truth seem to be on the decline. What we're seeing instead is a broadening of the gospel, a redefining of what it means to be a Christian, and a growing emphasis on inclusion and tolerance. Ecumenism has come to mean "reducing all elements of faith to the lowest common denominator. God's Word is neglected, experience is valued above truth, a false and selfish "faith" is promoted, and sound doctrine and correction are despised as "divisive" and "unloving."

Romans 16:17, Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them."

There are LOTS of links about Billy Graham as you can imagine. If you just search for "Billy graham Ecumenical movement" on the Internet /Google you'll find plenty to read!

As much information on the Internet can change quickly, I just want to mention that the links in this e-mail worked when it was originally written in Nov 2011.

I do not necessarily agree with everything that is written on the pages that I have linked to - it is exactly the article I've linked to that I want to emphasize.