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Welcome to DiscoverChristianSchools.com and our Inaugural E-Newsletter – "E-Connect"!

Thank you for signing up for the DiscoverChristianSchools.com E-Newsletter. I know that some of you have signed up some time ago, but we wanted to collect all of the great news and blessings that have been bestowed upon DiscoverChristianSchools.com since our launch in May, 2006. DiscoverChristianSchools.com is the newest communications initiative designed to assist parents in making the most informed decisions about their children's education.

<u>www.DiscoverChristianSchools.com</u> is a website that connects schools and parents together, and imparts the most current and reliable resources available where Christian education is concerned. If you have not visited our website, you can read all about us at <u>www.DiscoverChristianSchools.com</u> and you can even ask us questions that pertain to your children's education or your school.

It is our hope that DiscoverChristianSchools.com provides a biblical, Christian worldview about education and what that means to parents, schools, and most importantly, to our children. We founded this website to help answer questions that parents may have and to help Christian schools become well-known and available to those parents who are seeking to enroll their children in Christian school to provide them with a legacy education that lasts a lifetime.

We intend to produce and send you *"E-Connect!"* at the beginning of every month, with weekly or bi-weekly emails of interest throughout the month. If you have suggestions, stories, testimonials or any other information that you believe those interested in Christian education would like to hear, please send it to <u>dhamilton@hamiltonstrategies.com</u>. God bless you and we hope you enjoy reading our first issue of *"E-Connect!"*

News & Views on Education

Proponent of Public School Exit Strategy Stresses Christian Parents' Responsibility

Agape Press, By Allie Martin October 27, 2006

(AgapePress) - Resolutions supporting an exit strategy from public schools have been submitted in every <u>Southern Baptist Convention</u> (SBC) state and regional convention in the continental United States. The resolution is based on a recommendation by Southern Baptist Theological Seminary president Albert Mohler.

Mohler wrote in an article that because of the spiritual, moral, and academic decay that increasingly characterizes U.S. public schools, Southern Baptists should develop a plan for taking their children out of government schools. Roger Moran, a member of the SBC Executive Committee, helped draft the resolution based on the seminary president's suggestions.

Moran says Christian parents must recognize that they are responsible for planning and overseeing their children's education. "We will be held accountable, and we have just shrugged our shoulders as though it doesn't matter," he asserts; "but it does matter, and it matters supremely." Click here for the full text of the article....

DiscoverChristianSchools.com in the News!

Tim Sierer, co-founder of DiscoverChristianSchools.com quoted in AP article.

Evangelicals Intensify Calls for Parents to Pull Kids From Public Schools

NEW YORK (AP) -- Public schools take a lot of criticism, but a growing, loosely-organized movement is now moving from harsh words to action -- with parents taking their children out of public schools and exhorting other families to do the same.

Led mainly by evangelical Christians, the movement depicts public education as hostile to religious faith and claims to be behind a surge in the number of students being schooled at home.

"The courts say no creationism, no prayer in public schools," said Roger Moran, a member of the Southern Baptist Convention executive committee. "Humanism and evolution can be taught, but everything I believe is disallowed.

The father of nine homeschooled children, Moran co-sponsored a resolution at the Southern Baptists' annual meeting in June that urged the denomination to endorse a public school pullout. It failed, as did a similar proposal before the conservative Presbyterian Church in America for members to shift their children into homeschooling or private Christian schools.

Still, the movement is very much alive, led by such groups as Exodus Mandate and the Alliance for Separation of School and State.

Black or white, parents can be financially challenged by a move away from public schools. Tim Sierer, headmaster of a Christian academy in Brookhaven, Pennsylvania, helped launch a Web site in March -- DiscoverChristianSchools.com -- to assist parents considering the switch. "It's not a decision to take lightly," said Sierer, noting that Christian school tuitions in his region range up to \$10,000. Some activists say the financial challenges can be overcome with creativity. <u>Click here</u> to read the full story.....

Parents Want To Know!

We receive a lot of inquiries from parents and we answer them directly, but we also thought that some of these questions and answers might benefit you, too.

Q: What is a Christian education...really?

A: A Christian education is one in which the infallible truths of Scripture reign paramount. They form the foundation upon which all academic pursuits are built, and for that reason, students are often better able to reach their full educational potential. As Solomon writes, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding" (Proverbs 9:10). Read the rest of the answer here.....

Q: I went to public school and I turned out OK....can't my children do the same?

A: The short answer is yes. Just like you did, your kids can turn out okay. Maybe even better than okay. But our arrival at a place called "okay" does not necessarily mean that all our choices along the way were the right ones, or that our educational experience was the best one. The real questions are these: Are you the same person today that you would have been had you attended Christian school?.....<u>Read the rest of the answer here....</u>

DiscoverChristianSchools.com on the air!

You may have first heard about DiscoverChristianSchools.com on the radio, as we did an extensive radio campaign for our website launch in May, in the Mid-Atlantic Region of the U.S. We continue on the air throughout the year and your school can be a part of a radio campaign in your school's geographic region. <u>Click here to listen to sample radio ads, and click here to find out how to bring this campaign to your city.</u>

DiscoverChristianSchools.com welcomes the Association of Classical and Christian Schools to our family of school listings and profiles!

The primary mission of ACCS is to promote, establish, and equip schools committed to a classical approach to education in the light of a Christian worldview grounded in the Old and New Testament Scriptures. Currently, there are over 200 ACCS schools throughout the country. You can learn more about them by visiting www.accsedu.org.

Here are just a few of the many testimonials we have received at www.DiscoverChristianSchools.com

- "Your site is excellent...and I am grateful to have learned of it." Mom in Drexel Hill, PA
- "Let me compliment you on an absolutely great site! I have only known about it for a week, by have already begun referring people to it." – Man in the education field, Tuscaloosa, AL
- "I am the President of the School Board and would like you to please put our school on your list. You have a nice website that I intend to distribute to our families." - Dad in Overland Park, KS

We hope you have enjoyed our inaugural issue of "E-Connect!" God bless you and thank you for subscribing.

Visit <u>www.DiscoverChristianSchools.com</u> for more information on how you can become a part of this newest web initiative with a Christian Education Worldview.

We encourage you to forward "E-Connect!" to as many people and organizations as you would like.

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