"As Jesus commands, For Justice we stand' Matthew 23:23: Luke 11:42: 18:1-8



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ATTACHED YOU WILL FIND A LITTLE INTRODUCTION ABOUT OUR EXISTENCE AND DEALINGS WHICH WE BELIEVE WOULD BE A VERY GOOD INVESTMENT OF WHERE YOU SHOULD PLACE YOUR HARD EARNED DOLLARS.

RESPECTFULLY, BRIAN PITTS, PASTOR, TRUSTEE AND CHAIRMAN



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We ask you and all to donate financially/in-kind a tax deductible contribution to J2J a $\underline{501(c)(3)}$ organization so we can help our citizens.

The Tampa Bay Times among others have clearly observed and recognized *JUSTICE-2-JESUS* in the great work that we have done for the people, before the legislature, in at least two past articles.

Check out the following excerpts from leading articles:

Capitol gadfly stirs up change

By Shannon Colavecchio-Van Sickler, Times Staff Writer, In print: Wednesday, May 7, 2008

TALLAHASSEE — He started every appearance before lawmakers the same way: "Brian Pitts, Justice 2 Jesus." Not that he needed any introduction.

Pitts, 36, of St. Petersburg became this legislative session's best-known gadfly — attending just about every committee meeting and lecturing lawmakers on the flaws he saw in their proposals.

He is back home now, having achieved his goal of "blowing the whistle on things that are fishy." But people are still talking about him around the Capitol.

Some legislators and lobbyists roll their eyes at Pitts. To them, he's just another annoying gadfly. But others developed begrudging respect for Pitts, who spent hours researching legislation and case law. More than once, a legislator conceded to Pitts, "Well, you have a point there."

Tampa Sen. Victor Crist even amended a juvenile justice bill (SB700) at Pitts' suggestion to require better coordination among various children's and law enforcement agencies.

"You've got to watch these characters," Pitts says, his tone conspiratorial. "I'm here for what the people aren't seeing, and we're standing here for them."

Pitts' Justice-2-Jesus business cards have a picture of the scales of justice in one corner, the political action committee's motto in the other: *Holding government to accountability & duty*. Justice-2-Jesus is registered as a PAC with the Pinellas County supervisor of elections. Pitts is listed as chairman and treasurer. Calvester Benjamin-Anderson, the write-in candidate that Darryl Rouson recently beat for the District 55 House seat, is the PAC's registered agent.

He spent more time at the podium speaking for or against bills than the lobbyists who get paid tens of thousands of dollars.



Amateur hour starts again in Tallahassee

By Yaël Ossowski/January 16, 2013/ Florida Watchdog.org

The loudest and most active public participant is Brian Pitts of Justice2Jesus, a nonprofit church group formed to "hold government to account." A favorite of legislators, Pitts often takes to the microphone to underscore the strength of God in dealing with issues, rather than the blunt enforcement of laws and regulations adopted by the Legislature... Though Pitts takes the cake for public involvement...

THE SPIRIT: Pitts has become a moral captain in the capital city.

"Sometimes the devil is working all throughout this town," said Pitts in...subcommittee, repraising his role as the moral conscience of **Tallahassee**. "And you've got to be careful just how you go about trying to shoo him away."

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JUSTICE-2-JESUS Christian Churches & Gospel Ministries



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Justice-2-Jesus Christian Churches & Gospel Ministries is a non-denominational Christ-Centered New Testament "Free Church", based in Saint Petersburg, Florida. Engaging in prayer, praise & worship, evangelical, biblical education and clothing ministries. Marriage, counseling, funeral and church services.

♦ Reverend BRIAN PITTS is ordained and licensed and Justice-2-Jesus is chartered by World Christianship ministries of California, Saint Luke Evangelical Christian Ministries of Georgia, and Trinity Evangelical Christian Ministries of Alabama.

Justice-2-Jesus is an unincorporated church(trust) and charitable trust as expressed by or in Florida statutes 692.101, 736.0405 and 736.0407.

A free-church is a church that is truly separate, independent and autonomous from the State. It is established by a local body of Christian believers, or chartered or "planted" by another church body or denomination, without the permission or sanction of the State.

The term "free-church" was widely used by the American colonists. It was not a term that they coined, but one which they inherited from their fathers and forebears such as the Scottish Covenanters, and the "non-conformist" English clergy, both of whom fled the persecutions of the Anglican State-Church and it's "sovereign head" the British monarchy.

We claim Matthew 28:18-20 (Otherwise known as "The Great Commission") as our final authority in all matters of our ministry online and offline:

18 Jesus drew near and said to them, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. 19 Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples: baptize them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, 20 and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And I will be with you always, to the end of the age." GNT

Justice-2-Jesus is also a non-partisan political committee(fund) in the state of Florida under statute 106.03. Our focus is to ensure equal justice, governmental accountability and duty in judicial, executive and legislative branches of state and federal government, protect the rights of citizens and business, and advocate rules and laws to produce such policies by common-law standards. The foundation being Judeo-Christian principles as expressed by the Florida Supreme Court in:

Strauss v. Strauss, 148 Fla. 23, 27; 3 So.2d 727, 728 (Fla. 1941)[6] Every system of law known to civilized society generated from or had as its complement one of the three well known systems of ethics, pagan, stoic, or Christian. The common law draws its subsistence from the latter, its roots go deep into that system, the Christian concept of right and wrong or right and justice motivates every rule of equity. It is the guide by which we dissolve domestic frictions and the rule by which all legal controversies are settled. Measured by that yard stick, what is right and just between the parties in this case?

We claim Matthew 23:1-3, 23 for civic duty and the public interest as our final authority in all matters of our ministry online and offline:

1 Then Jesus spoke to the crowds and to his disciples. 2 "The teachers of the Law and the Pharisees are the authorized interpreters of Moses' Law. 3 So you must obey and follow everything they tell you to do; do not, however, imitate their actions, because they don't practice what they preach.----- 23 "How terrible for you, teachers of the Law and Pharisees! You hypocrites! You give to God one tenth even of the seasoning herbs, such as mint, dill, and cumin, but you neglect to obey the really important teachings of the Law, such as justice and mercy and honesty. These you should practice, without neglecting the others. GNT

IRS Publication 526 (1/2016), Charitable Contributions, page 2

Organizations That Qualify To Receive Deductible Contributions

You can deduct your contributions only if you make them to a qualified organization. Most organizations, <u>other than churches and governments</u>, must apply to the IRS to become a qualified organization.

<u>Deductible As Charitable Contributions</u> Money or property you give to: <u>Churches, synagogues, temples, mosques</u>, <u>and other religious organizations</u>

Types of Qualified Organizations

Generally, only the following types of organizations can be qualified organizations.

1. A community chest, corporation, <u>trust</u>, fund, or foundation organized or created in or under the laws of the United States, any state, the District of Columbia, or any possession of the United States (including Puerto Rico). It must, however, be organized and operated only for <u>charitable</u>, <u>religious</u>, scientific, literary, or <u>educational purposes</u>, or for the <u>prevention</u> of cruelty to children or animals.

IRS Publication 557 (2/2016), Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization

see Pages 21,23,28-29,31

An organization may qualify for exemption from federal income tax if it is organized and operated exclusively for one or more of the following purposes:

Charitable, Religious, Educational, Scientific, Literary, Testing for public safety,

Fostering national or international amateur sports competition (but only if none of its activities involve providing athletic facilities or equipment; however, see *Amateur Athletic Organizations*, later in this chapter), The prevention of cruelty to children or animals

To qualify, the organization must be a corporation, community chest, <u>fund</u>, or foundation. <u>A trust is a fund or foundation and will qualify</u>. However, an individual or a partnership will not qualify.

Organizations Not Required To File Form 1023

Some organizations are not required to file Form 1023 or 1023-EZ. These include:

- Churches, interchurch organizations of local units of a church, conventions or associations of churches, or integrated auxiliaries of a church, such as a men's or women's organization, religious school, mission society, or youth group.
- <u>Any organization</u> (other than a private foundation) <u>normally having annual gross receipts of not more than</u> \$5,000 (see *Gross receipts test*, later).

These organizations are exempt automatically if they meet the requirements of section 501(c)(3).

Religious Organizations

To determine whether an organization meets the religious purposes test of section 501(c)(3), the IRS maintains two basic guidelines.

- 1. That the particular religious beliefs of the organization are truly and sincerely held.
- 2. That the practices and rituals associated with the organization's religious belief or creed are not illegal or contrary to clearly defined public policy.

Therefore, your group (or organization) may not qualify for treatment as an exempt religious organization for tax purposes if its actions, as contrasted with its beliefs, are contrary to well established and clearly defined public policy. If there is a clear showing that the beliefs (or doctrines) are sincerely held by those professing them, the IRS will not question the religious nature of those beliefs.

Churches. Although a church, its integrated auxiliaries, or a convention or association of churches is not required to file Form 1023 to be exempt from federal income tax or to receive tax deductible contributions, the organization may find it advantageous to obtain recognition of exemption.



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Proverbs 21: 15 The exercise of justice is joy for the righteous, But is terror to the workers of iniquity. NASB; 15 It is a joy for the just to do justice, But destruction will come to the workers of iniquity. NKJV

Proverbs 29:7 The righteous care about justice for the poor, but the wicked have no such concern. NIV

Micah 6:8 He has told you, O man, what is good; And what does the LORD require of you But to do justice, to love kindness, And to walk humbly with your God? *NIV*

Zechariah 7:8 The Lord gave this message to Zechariah: 9 "Long ago I gave these commands to my people: "You must see that justice is done, and must show kindness and mercy to one another. 10 Do not oppress widows, orphans, foreigners who live among you, or anyone else in need. And do not plan ways of harming one another. 'GNT

Zechariah 8: 16 These are the things you should do: Speak the truth to one another. In the courts give real justice—the kind that brings peace. 17 Do not plan ways of harming one another. Do not give false testimony under oath. I hate lying, injustice, and violence. "GNT"

Proverbs 21:3 To do righteousness and justice Is desired by the LORD more than sacrifice. NASB

James 1:27 Pure and lasting religion in the sight of God our Father means that we must care for orphans and widows in their troubles, and refuse to let the world corrupt us.*NRSV*