It's School Vaccination Time —

Avoiding School Vaccinations

— A Letter from Your Pastor

I received a telephone call yesterday from a concerned grandmother, on behalf of her daughter. They live in a south-central state, and the child is starting public school. The school authorities want to vaccinate the girl; and, after discussion, they informed the family that, if they want to avoid vaccination, they need to submit a letter telling why. They also commented that it would help if a letter could be included from their pastor.

These folk consider me their pastor; since, they say, I provide them with more spiritual nourishment—as well as urgent warnings—than any local pastor has ever done. So they phoned me for guidance.

The grandmother told me that they would not have known about the problem with vaccinations if it had not been for information they had heard from a friend who had read my book, *The Vaccination Crisis* (116 pp., \$5.95 + \$1.50). So, they did not know what to do.

While on the phone, I sent up a prayer to my Father, and He gave the answer. I told the family I would send them a copy of my book, *Vaccination Crisis*, which they should begin reading. I would also include typed copies of two letters, both addressed to that school authority.

I was then given the relevant names and addresses (including the name of the child).

The thought then came forcefully to mind, that I should write this tract and send it out immediately to my larger congregation. Right now is vaccination time in the schools!

School has begun, and vaccinations will be given over the next month or so. There is still time if anyone out there is impressed to act on this.

WHAT YOU MAY WISH TO DO-

If you are confronted with the vaccination crisis in your own family, pray about the matter, read God's Word, and make your decision.

If you decide to avoid vaccinations of your children, then you may wish to do this right away:

Order a copy of Vaccination Crisis from us.

Telephone your State Department of Public Health and have them send you the a printed copy of the actual regulation about the matter. Here is how to go about doing this: Dial the information number (1-[area code]-555-1212) and ask for the main switchboard of the State Capitol in the capital city of your state.

Dial that number. Ask the operator, at the main switchboard, for the number of the office in the Health Department which deals with vaccinations.

Having obtained the number, ask her to switch you to it. (Or, once switched over, ask for their number; either way, be sure to write it down.)

Very politely inquire about the regulation and what is included in it. Specifically, you want to know what types of exemptions are made in the law.

When you have learned all you think you will find out, ask the person to send you a printed copy of the state law on vaccination. If you think he/she was a friendly person, one whom you might want to contact again, ask for his/her name and write it down.

Next, contact the local health authority you would need to work with. This might be the school nurse, a county health agent, etc. Discuss the matter with them, focusing on the exemption and what is involved in obtaining it. They might say something more favorable than what you learned at the state office. (If not, you will base your written request on what the state office told you, a printed copy of which is coming in the mail.)

Next, if, on the basis of what you have learned and in accordance with your convictions, you may wish to phone and ask me for a copy of the book so you can start reading it, along with a custom copy of the request for a currently dated exemption letter. (You may also wish to ask for a custom copy of a pastoral letter from me. Such a letter will state that it is a historic belief of the church that, to preserve health, we should avoid vaccinations. Upon receiving and reading it over, you may decide not to include it with the other letter.)

As your pastor, I will then send you a parents' letter which you will send to the local health authority. It will be currently dated, addressed to them, with your name at the close. The information in that rather simple letter merely states what you will find in my book as you read it. Reading the book makes the information your own.

I will also enclose a copy of a currently dated pastor's letter (since the health authority generally likes to have one of those also). You can submit it along with your letter or omit it, your decision.

I will mail you two copies of both letters, along with the book, and you will send one copy of the letter(s) to the health authority. Continue your earnest prayers.

One final word: Beware! Never go so far that Social Services will swoop in unawares and take your child, not to return him for a couple years! When it looks like the county is not going to accept your decision and has told you so—then either let the child be vaccinated or get him out of the state fast, to an unknown location!

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION—

The Vaccination Crisis is a small, easily read book, and is divided into five sections: (1) Dangers in each of the ten main types of disease vaccines (pp. 3-33). (2) Dangers in six others (pp. 34-42). (3) General data on the dangers of vaccines (pp. 43-72). (4) Vaccination laws and how to avoid vaccination (pp. 73-110). (5) Current legal trends (pp. 111-116). Here are a few brief facts:

At the present time, all states have some type of compulsory immunization law, requiring children to be immunized against seven childhood diseases: diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), tetanus (lockjaw), measles, mumps, rubella (German measles), and polio. (The Salk vaccine is far safer than the oral polio vaccine!)

There are two main types of combination vaccines: DPT vaccine (diphtheria, pertussis, and typhoid) and MMR vaccine (measles, mumps, and rubella).

What types of exemptions are available in your state? (This is what you are going to find out from your state office.)

1 - Medical exemption—All 50 states have this. You must provide medical reasons why you or your child should not be vaccinated, or you must submit a written statement or certificate waiver from a physician licensed in that state, stating that the vaccine would be harmful to the child's health. (But physicians, concerned lest their licenses be canceled, generally fear to do this for you.)

There are two medical reasons which, on medical grounds, are the most valid: (1) "The fear of allergic reaction in a sensitive child," and (2) "to prevent possible damage to a weakened immune system." Both of these can occur in a child who has been immunized, and it is the responsibility of the parent to protect that child.

Some states require that the letter be signed by an M.D. or D.O.; but, if courteously and properly written, some allow an exemption letter from a chiropractor. **2 - The religious exemption**—This is generally better than a medical one. But often it is not satisfied by your merely stating that you are religious, or have personal religious beliefs. You must show evidence that you have membership in a church which does not believe in vaccinations. (Unfortunately, only the Christian Science Church takes a fully official stand against them.)

In some states, the parent or guardian need only sign a notarized affidavit, stating that immunizations conflict with the parents' (or child's) religious beliefs. In other states, a letter from a church authority is required. In still other states, the letter need only state that the individual has religious beliefs which hold vaccination to be against God's law.

- **3 The personal belief**—You are personally convinced that you or your loved one should not be vaccinated. When allowed, this one is the easiest to present and for the court to accept.
- **4 Conscientious objector category**—This is a little-known category. The conscientious objector states that it is his "God-given right to refuse to immunize my child." Any lesser statement is unacceptable. Along with this, you cannot merely say that you read a lot of magazine articles and became convinced by them. It must be personal, solid conviction, not an acquaintance with hearsay.

I will now quote part of a sample letter, which would be available from me if you desire a custom copy. In order to provide it, I would need name(s) of the child(ren); your name, address, and phone number; as well as name and address of the local authority the letter is to be sent to. I will then send the letter, currently dated, to you to sign and mail.

Mrs. McMillan School Nurse Huntsville School System Huntsville, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. McMillan,

I was thankful that I could contact you. Here is the letter you requested.

I am the mother of Hanna Roth, a student at the local public school this fall.

We deeply love our child and have tried in every way to provide the best environment for her. This includes doing all we can to protect her health.

I am hereby requesting that my daughter not be vaccinated. This letter is being sent, at your request, to explain my reasons for this decision.

There are three reasons why I do not want my

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child vaccinated:

(1) The first reason is a deep, inner conviction, which I have had for a long time, that it is my Godgiven right not to let my child be vaccinated.

(2) But I also have a religious reason:

The Bible teaches that we are to guard our health and the health of our family. I must try to do this or I am sinning against God.

"For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." 1 Corinthians 6:20.

"What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?" 1 Corinthians 6:19.

"If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy: for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." 1 Corinthians 3:17.

"For thou art an holy people unto the Lord thy God, and the Lord hath chosen thee to be a peculiar people unto Himself, above all the nations that are upon the earth. Thou shalt not eat any abominable thing." Deuteronomy 14:2-3.

We must not put into our bodies anything that would harm us. This is the commandment of God. To do so is to break the sixth commandment. So God wants us to be careful and not do anything which could hurt us physically. This is part of our religious belief.

I am a Seventh-day Adventist, and our church has always taught that healthful living was necessary for every Christian to practice. We must care for our bodies and not place any harmful thing in them. The prophet of our church, Ellen G. White, repeatedly taught that it is sin not to care for our bodies, since they are temples of the Holy Spirit.

These beliefs stand by themselves; yet having settled the matter, I decided to further investigate this issue.

(3) Third, there is a medical reason:

In the course of what I have read, I came across a remarkable amount of information on vaccination; much of it not good. As a result I am personally convinced that it could be very harmful to my child's health if vaccinated.

Here is a little of what I have learned:

Each vaccine has three different types of materials in it.

The first is viruses. These are either dead or, what is called, attenuated. The dead virus types of vaccines are only supposed to have killed viruses in them. The kind which are called attenuated have live viruses which have been weakened by the addition of poisonous chemicals.

Now, we all know that dead animals rapidly de-

compose and are dangerous to human health. Germs rapidly begin developing in, and around, them.

Well, what about a dead animal which had been killed with poisons; would you want to eat it? No, because it might hurt you if you did. That is what is in dead virus vaccines.

Then there is the other kind, the attenuated. It's not good to eat animals which have been poisoned to death. And its not good to eat sickly ones either. No good rancher would take his poisoned cows or his sick cows to the slaughterhouse. He knows it would not be not right to do that. It could make somebody sick.

The FDA won't let sick cows be butchered. And would you want to eat a sick cow that was still alive? Would you want to eat one that was so sick it could no longer move about? That would be no better than eating one poisoned dead. But that is what is in livevirus vaccines.

But now, getting a vaccination is not like eating a dead or sick cow. Actually it can be worse.

When you eat some bad food, your stomach may be able to overcome the bacteria and poison, maybe. That is part of the reason why God gave us stomachs--to help protect us from problems in the food. God's plan is for the food to go into the stomach before it can get into the blood--and cause real damage!

But when someone is vaccinated, part of the dead animal or the living sick animal is injected directly into the blood stream or into the muscle and then taken from there right into the blood stream.

Vaccines, which go directly into the body without going through the stomach first, are not filtered by the liver.

Viruses are animals also, although very little ones. It is viruses which are injected into the blood stream during a vaccination. Yes, each virus is little,--but millions are injected.

As you know, viruses are always more dangerous than cows.

And there is more in the vaccine than just viruses. Part of the poisons used to kill or weaken them will also remain inside the vaccine. It will not all have been washed out! The result is not like poisoned beef chunks, but beef stew with poison in the beef and in the surrounding broth.

So we have a problem here. Because the vaccine is made in huge vats on a commercial basis, it would be impossible to produce vaccine which is always safe. Other things are likely to get into the vaccine during the processing. Liquids with millions of viruses in them, setting for a time in a warm vat, can produce other types of bacteria cultures.

There is no way these bad things can all be culled

out. It would make the vaccine too expensive if a microscope expert checked every tiny bit of vaccine, whether or not it would be possible for him to clean it if he found contamination.

Millions of these little animals--viruses--plus a quantity of fluid with other things in it, is in each injection. The viruses are dead, half-dead, and some are recovering; that is, getting strong again.

Some of the other materials in the vaccine are part of the serum taken from the pus of monkeys, cows, pigs, and other animals. Other bacteria is very likely to be introduced into the mixture. It can't be good to let even a little bit of that stay warm for awhile in the vat--and later get injected into the blood stream of my child.

Since most vaccine serums are proteins, putting them directly into the blood stream, without their first having passed through the liver, shocks the system.

Here is something from medical people, which helps to explain the kind of things that are in the vaccine. These are medical doctors talking:

"Besides intruding foreign proteins, and even live viruses into the bloodstream, each vaccine has its own preservative, neutralizer, and carrying agent, none of which are indigenous to the body. For instance, triple antigen DPT (Diphtheria, pertussis, and tetanus) contains the following poisonous substances: formaldehyde, mercury (thimersol), and aluminum phosphate (Physician's Desk Reference, 1980). The packet insert accompanying the vaccine (Lederle) lists these poisonous substances: aluminum potassium sulfate, a mercury derivative (thimersol), and sodium phosphate. The packet insert for the polio vaccine (Lederle) lists monkey kidney cell culture, lactalbumin hydrolysate, antibiotics, and calf serum. The packet insert (Merck Sharp & Dohme) for the MMR (measles, mumps, and rubella) vaccine lists chick embryo and neomycin, which is a mixture of antibiotics. Chick embryo, monkey kidney cells, and calf serum are foreign proteins, biological substances composed of animal cells, which enter directly into the bloodstream." (World Medicine, September 22, 1971, pp. 69-72.)

Here is another one. This is testimony before a Congressional committee:

"My name is Wendy Scholl. I reside in the State of Florida with my husband, Gary, and three daughters, Stacy, Holly, and Jackie. Let me stress that all three of our daughters were born healthy, normal babies. I am here to tell of Stacy's reaction to the measles vaccine . . where according to the medical

profession, anything within 7 to 10 days after the vaccine with neurological sequelae, seizures, or brain damage fits a measles reaction . .

"At 16 months old, Stacy received her measles shot. She was a happy, healthy, normal baby, typical, curious, playful until the 10th day after her shot, when I walked into her room to find her laying in her crib, flat on her stomach, her head twisted to one side. Her eyes were glassy and affixed.

"She was panting, struggling to breathe. Her small head lay in a pool of blood that hung from her mouth. It was a terrifying sight; yet, at that point, I didn't realize that my happy, bouncing baby was never to be the same again.

"When we arrived at the emergency room, Stacy's temperature was 107 degrees. The first 4 days of Stacy's hospital stay, she battled for life. She was in a coma and had kidney failure. Her lungs filled with fluid and she had ongoing seizures.

"Her diagnosis was 'post-vaccinal encephalitis' and her prognosis was grave. She was paralyzed on her left side, prone to seizures, had visual problems. However, we were told by doctors we were extremely lucky. I didn't feel lucky.

"We were horrified that this vaccine, which was given only to ensure that she would have a safer childhood, almost killed her. I didn't know that the possibility of this type of reaction even existed. But now, it is our reality." (Wendy Scholl, testimony given to Hearings before the Subcommittee on Health and the Environment: 98th Congress, 2nd Session, December 19, 1984; in Vaccine Injury Compensation, p. 110.)

So, in summary:

- (1) I had a deep, personal conviction that it was my God-given right and duty not to have my child vaccinated.
- (2) I also have a deep religious belief, based on the Bible, that this should not be done.

I am a Seventh-day Adventist, and the doctrines of the church teach a strong message of healthful living. We are to care for our bodies and not place any harmful thing in them. The prophet of our church, Ellen G. White, repeatedly taught that it is sin not to care for our bodies as the temples of the Holy Spirit.

(3) I have since discovered medical reasons why it would be dangerous to submit my child to a vaccination.

I thank you very much for your careful attention to this matter.

Respectfully,