

Prayers at the Republican Convention (Thanks Holly!)

The RNC recently released information on the opening prayers for the upcoming Republican Convention.

August 30:

OPENING PRAYER read by Mel Gibson, while being flogged with a spiked leather strap wielded by Ann Coulter, who will enjoy it a little.

<http://www.pfaw.org/pfaw/general/default.aspx?oid=15487#1>

August 31

OPENING PRAYER read by Our Lord (The Passion Of) Jesus H. Christ, as channeled by Lt. General William G. "Jerry" Boykin, the man who first revealed that Mr. Bush was chosen by God to lead this country into war against the heathens. Mr. Boykin will then give a short, upbeat presentation on Islam called, "My God can Beat Up Your God."

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/main.jhtml?xml=/news/2003/10/17/wboyk17.xml>

SEPTEMBER 1

OPENING PRAYER by the REVEREND JERRY FALWELL who will demonstrate the spirit of Compassionate Conservatism(tm) and the eternal mercy of God by wishing a horrible fiery death and an eternity in the pit of hell for all non-white, non-male, non-Christian, non-heterosexual non-Republicans.

[http://www.ethicalatheist.com/docs/falwell\\_bin\\_laden.html](http://www.ethicalatheist.com/docs/falwell_bin_laden.html)

SEPTEMBER 2 (nomination night)

OPENING PRAYER by ATTORNEY GENERAL JOHN ASHCROFT, who will then sing "Let the Eagle Soar" and light the ceremonial "TORCH OF FREEDOM" with the (actual) Bill of Rights.

<http://www.symbolman.com/corpabuse.html>

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This from today's New York Times, the EPA is releasing advertisements which belittle the idea that choices we make concerning our cars can positively impact energy use or the environment:

<http://www.nytimes.com/2004/06/25/business/media/25adco.html?8hpib>

This reminds me of Dick Cheney commenting that "Conservation may be a sign of personal virtue, but it is not a sufficient basis for a sound, comprehensive energy policy." Of course California then went on to conserve its way out of an energy shortage created by Bush

friends, supporters and indicted felons over at Enron.

<http://www.commondreams.org/views03/0328-06.htm>

It seems to me that the administration has suffered by sending all of their best spinners over to Iraq:

[http://www.mercurynews.com/mld/mercurynews/news/special\\_packages/iraq/8355466.ht](http://www.mercurynews.com/mld/mercurynews/news/special_packages/iraq/8355466.ht)

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Some more religion for y'all. This from yesterday's Times Op-Ed page Thou-Shalt-See T.V. (this is a hoot!):

<http://www.nytimes.com/2004/06/24/opinion/24KUTN.html>