Church of the Eternal God Announces New StandingWatch Program, “The Dark Side of Easter”

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Basingstoke, GB. - The Church of the Eternal God announces the availability of the new StandingWatch Program, “The Dark Side of Easter", which delves into the real origins of Easter and its traditions.

Easter is considered the most important holy day in Christianity, but what do we know about its origins? Many believe Easter celebrates the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, but Easter existed long before Christ was even born. So what do Easter bunnies, Easter eggs, Easter cakes and Easter sunrise services have to do with Christ?

Most historians agree that Easter was originally a pagan festival. While many are astonished to learn that Easter customs and symbols are squarely rooted in paganism, they carry on celebrating it anyway. They tell themselves that as long as they make Christ the center of the observance, it's really okay to participate. Does it matter to God whether or not you keep Easter?

Jeremiah 10:2 tells us: “Do not learn the way of the Gentiles." Deuteronomy 12:29–32 commands us not to “inquire after their gods", and “You shall not worship the LORD your God in that way." The early Church did not keep Easter. The Encyclopedia Britannica, 11th edition, Vol. 8, p. 828, confirms that “there is no indication of the observance of the Easter Festival in the New Testament, or in the writings of the apostolic fathers."

Evangelist Norbert Link explains: “There are many scriptures that command us not to worship God in the way of the pagans. It's completely and abundantly clear from both biblical and historical records that true Christians should not participate in Easter celebrations. It is pagan, and it cannot be Christianized in any way whatsoever."

See the StandingWatch Program, “The Dark Side of Easter" at www.GlobalChurchofGod.co.uk

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We conduct weekly Sabbath services with an emphasis on live transmissions over the internet and in local congregations where possible. We also observe biblical Holy Days as commanded by God.

We maintain websites for access to our published materials; to present Church messages in English and German (both recorded and live); to publicly proclaim the gospel of the Kingdom of God through the StandingWatch programs (including the German language program, AufPostenStehen); to make available our weekly Update; and to provide spiritual assistance and guidance to both Church members and any whom God may call to salvation at this time. For more information, please visit www.GlobalChurchofGod.co.uk.

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