

# One Nation Under God - Walk Across America

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In December after my last newsletter was e-mailed, on the American Discovery Trail's website, I found in their newsletters two articles written last year about the One Nation Under God – Walk Across America. Their summer newsletter erroneously stated that I was a Pennsylvania minister. I do minister to people, but I am not a minister. In fact, there was a time in my life that I was an atheist, who believed in abortion. How and why my life turned from an atheist to an intercessor walking across America can be a lesson on reaching the lost. Since my parents did not attend church, my only education of the bible came from Hollywood movies and the reading of the bible in school. Until 1962, the bible was allowed to be read in public schools. My parents taught me moral values. Once I started working in an engineering office, I noticed that some people talked about church but swore, smoked and sometimes became intoxicated. Is that what Christianity was all about? Sin six days a week, repent on Sunday or at least show up at church occasionally, then forget about God for the rest of the week. I did not want to be like my peers but soon would be just like them.

Eventually someone asked if I went to church. My answer was no, I am an atheist. Then I became very confused when a number of men degraded me to my face. "You should not be allowed to have Christmas off," was one of the comments. Why were they picking on me? I never said anything dreadful about them.

After hiking in Maine at Acadia National Park, I slowly began to rethink about the existence of God. How could all of this splendor be just an accident and why are people so imperfect? I started attending a church but being painfully shy as young adult since I was born with a cleft palate and had a speech impediment, I would never started a conversation with anybody. The only time someone talked to me at that church was to ask for money for a fund raiser. Where was God in the church? Eventually I left that church and started going to bars to fit in with my peers at work. Most of the people in the bars seem very friendly and I started drinking alcohol, however God was about to change my life through the love of one person.

I had a very poor self image of myself. After a blind date with a young lady from Norristown, PA, I was very surprised when she asked me to call her for another date. Why would this attractive female want to date me again? We began dating regularly and then she asked me to go to church with her. The Norristown Church of the Nazarene was a completely new experience for me. The whole church seemed to care for each other, including me. On Sunday evening, members gave their testimonies about their love for Jesus. Life to me appeared to have more meaning; however it was all about to change.

The young lady informed me that she was dating someone else in the church and did not want to date me any more. I was completely crushed. It would have been easy for me to leave that church, since it was twenty miles from my home, but I needed something or someone to fill the void in my life. Several weeks later I had a meeting with Pastor Fairbanks in this kitchen. There I gave my life to the Lord. The next Sunday evening, I gave my first testimony, the first of many. Giving one's testimony is so important because you are basically saying *I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believes.*

Later I did meet my true love, Nadine, my wife. Most of the time, I am not as timid as I was and last year I spoke to a congregation of two hundred people in Keyser, West Virginia.

Sharing one faith to the believer and non-believer is very important. A testimony to the believer encourages. A testimony to the non-believer may lead a person to the Lord or at least sow a seed for another to harvest. There were several times at workplace, I heard an overzealous Christian tell a person, whom he thought was a non-believer that he or she were going to hell. After talking to one of the presumed non-believers, she told me that she prays to Jesus every day. Although she was a Christian, her outward life style did not reveal her beliefs. Never condemn. Show love, the love of Jesus.

To learn more about the One Nation Under God –Walk Across America, go to our new web site, [www.geocities.com/walk\\_across\\_america](http://www.geocities.com/walk_across_america).

God bless,  
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Total miles walked of the American Discovery Trail	- 440 miles
Number of walkers	- 43 walkers
Number of people praying for America	- 22,060 prayer warriors

### A Prayer for Our Unborn Children

Two thousand years ago the word, barbarian, meant anyone who did not speak Greek. The Romans, who spoke both Latin and Greek, may have said as they fed Christians to the lions in the Roman Coliseum, “They’re not human. They’re just barbarians.”

In the United States at a place called Sand Creek, soldiers attacked a peaceful American Indian village killing 163 Cheyenne and Arapaho, mostly women and children. Body parts of the slaughtered Indians were later displayed in public in Denver. The soldiers said, “They’re not human. They’re just savages.”

In the United States from 1882 to 1959, 3441 blacks were lynched by the Ku Klux Klan and other lawbreakers. The KKK said, “They’re not human. They’re just n\_\_\_\_rs.”

Six million Jews were exterminated by the Nazis before and during World War II. The Nazis said, “They’re just Jews. They’re subhuman.”

Today the United States argues for human rights throughout the world; but from 1972 till today, 46 million unborn children were aborted in the United States. Groups like Pro-Choice now say, “They’re not human. They’re just fetuses.” The greatest resource of America is not its natural resources like oil, silver or gold. They are now being depleted. It is its people, Americans; industrious, generous, benevolent and dedicated.

The early Christian, the American Indian, the black, the Jew and the unborn fetus are all human. All were created by God in His own image. America protects

**the egg of the bald eagle, our national bird, because it is an endangered species. Will God turn his back on America due to our sins and will the American become an endangered species?**

**Father, please forgive us for our sins, Lord. We, American Christians, have allowed this slaughter of our own children. May we see our sins as You do? Teach us now to prevent the sin of abortion, the shedding of innocent blood. Protect us and guide us each day of our lives, in the name of Jesus, amen.**

*America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves.*

**Abraham Lincoln**

*And when you spread forth yours hand, I will hide mine eyes from you: yes, when you make many prayers, I will not hear: your hands are full of blood. Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil: learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow. Come now, and let us reason together, said the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.*

**Isaiah 1:16-18**

**The estimated worldwide abortion total at the end of 2004 was 934,733,000. Please pray.**