

*****OSAMA GONE TO SEE ALLAH*****

The free world is rejoicing today over the news that Osama Bin Ladin is finally dead. This evil man has,(as preached by Islam), realized his dream of embracing Allah and his promised 72 virgins. Well, he has in fact met that ole, ancient middle eastern, moon god Mohammed used to unite the various tribes. If in fact, that ole moon god actually ever lived, Osama and he are burning in hell together, (tongue firmly held in cheek).

Honor is due to former President George W. Bush, for being the first to take it to the forces of Bin Ladin, even at the expense of his popularity at home and the world. He never wavered, after former presidents had passively allowed the attacks on Americans till Osama thought us to be a paper tiger. Cudos to W.

Also cudos to President Obama for not bailing on the policy and allowing our great forces to do what they do best.

The highest praise is due the U.S. Navy Seal Team Six, who strapped on the boots and armaments to take this evil out. Also, we praise all the members of our military who have braved the violence and attacks. We also praise those who have given the ultimate sacrifice and payed such an awful price in Iraq and Afghanistan. We owe you and your families more than we can pay.

Lots we don't yet know, but a few things are clear. Enhanced interrogation tactics DO WORK. That's what got us the info to nail OBL. We need Gitmo and military tribunals, rather than U.S. land based prisons and court proceedings. AND, Pakistan is no ally, but that's not a revelation to anyone but the simple or deceived. FURTHER, we probably can expect attempts of retaliation, UNLESS our forces have diminished the enemies' capabilities too substantially.

Anyway. The news today is a welcomed announcement!

*****TORNADO REPORT*****

In the aftermath of the indescribable destruction of the tornadoes that swept the South, I can give a eyewitness account of the tragedy. In so many places the destruction to life and property is virtually total. Many have lost everything.

FWC and Earthen Vessels responded immediately with the payment for a semi-load of relief items to the area through Operation Compassion. Also, Margaret and I took a truck load of product to the Hanceville, Cullman area last Friday and Saturday. We gave out water, paper products, food and personal items.

Head Deacon Rocky Smith led a team of three to use chain saws etc to bring assistance to the area. As I write this commentary, (Monday, 5/2), they are still on the ground working.

We are now collecting canned goods, can openers, toilet paper, paper towels, diapers, deodorants, tooth paste and brushes and water to deliver (hopefully by this Thursday 5th). We welcome those within driving distance to bring your donated items to the truck parked in FWC parking lot.

I also gave our congregation a chance to give an offering Sunday A.M. and they responded with \$2,251.00. If you wish to send offerings, that would be great, because gas is so expensive and trucks drink it down like an addict after a fix. If you wish to get involved, make checks payable to "Earthen Vessels". Every penny will go to tornado relief and there is no co-mingling of the funds with any other account.

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