



# Christian Anti-Communism Crusade

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Dear Friend,

I am looking forward to the silver jubilee banquet which will be held on Monday, March 5, in the Century Plaza Hotel, Los Angeles. We are expecting about 1000 to attend. Due to the constraints of space and time, most will be from Southern California, but some are traveling great distances. There will be guests from Washington, D.C., Pittsburgh, Indianapolis, Dallas, Phoenix, Seattle, San Francisco and San Diego, as well as Australia.

How I wish that all my friends scattered throughout this country and the world could be present. If you cannot come, please send a greeting and a word of testimony concerning the influence of the ministry of the Crusade on your life, to Frank Rogers, M.D., National Coordinating Council for Constructive Action, P.O. Box 20479, Long Beach, California 90801.

I am receiving many questions concerning the origin of the Crusade. Space here will permit only the briefest of summaries. When I was seventeen years old, I accepted Jesus as my Lord and Saviour. I also became a Freshman at the University of Queensland. It was there that I met the communists, who were militant atheists and active enemies of God and the Christian message of Redemption. Since the doctrines that "God is" and "there is no God" are irreconcilable, Christianity and Communism appeared irreconcilable. In the year 1940 I held a public debate with Max Juluis, a member of the Central Committee of the Australian Communist Party. My interest in communism continued and deepened, and I studied its basic texts intensely, debated with leading communists, and spoke on the subject to church and civic gatherings. I acquired some reputation in Christian circles as an authority on the thought processes of communism.

I graduated and established a medical practice in Sydney, Australia, but my devotion to the Christian Gospel and my antagonism to communism did not diminish, and I continued to study and speak. In early 1950, the Rev. Carl McIntire and Dr. T.T. Shields of Toronto, Canada visited Australia. They discovered my special ministry against communism and invited me to tour the U.S.A. speaking at churches associated with the American Council of Christian Churches. I assented and first visited this great country in June, 1950. Speaking in churches, I found that many were opposed to communism without a real understanding of communist doctrines and objectives. A second visit in 1952 reinforced this observation.

In 1953 I came to this country and formed the Christian Anti-Communism Crusade in alliance with Dr. W. E. Pietsch, a Baptist preacher based in Waterloo, Iowa. At first I tried to operate the Crusade by periodic visits from Australia, returning there to conduct my medical practice, but the Crusade grew and demanded full-time attention, and in 1955 my medical practice closed. My family gave me total support.

While I was practicing medicine, I was in a position to pay my own fare, but this became impossible once my practice closed. As the Crusade grew and projects were undertaken within and without the U.S.A., the financial needs grew. At present we need \$50,000 each month to sustain a great ministry which has influenced and continues to influence thousands of lives.

The battle to secure financial support is continuous, and in the past help has been provided in a miraculous way. We have never received a bill which we could not pay. With your continued friendship and sacrificial gifts, I am confident this situation will continue.

There is so much more to tell, but this must suffice for the present. I thank God for the privilege of serving Him in this ministry and for my faithful friends.

With Christian love,

*Fred Schwarz*