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Parents Almost Let Child Die, Fearing Blood Transfusion Would Change His Personality

By Victoria Bekiempis Thu., Jun. 30 2011 at 6:02 AM
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When Mr. and Mrs. Rock Sanozier of Plantation brought their son June 21 to Broward General Medical Center, doctors determined that the 3-year-old had pneumonia and that his spleen was clogged with blood.

After trying medications, doctors figured the only thing that could save the child's life would be a blood transfusion and maybe the removal of his spleen.

But the Sanoziers are practicing Jehovah's Witnesses, who believe the Bible forbids blood transfusions. And even though it might kill their son, they refused to give doctors permission. The reasons, according to recently released court documents, is that the couple feared a blood transfusion could change their son's personality.

The boy's doctor, pediatric cancer and blood specialist Hector Rodriguez-Cortes, asked the State Attorney's Office to step in, and file court papers that would allow a judge to sign off on the procedure despite the parents' wishes. The hearing was requested and took place June 24.

Scott Raft, the assistant state attorney handling the case, told *New Times* that the doctors and prosecutors were rushing to make sure an emergency hearing could be held before the boy died.

"As we were waiting for the hearing, the hospital lawyers got a phone call from doctors, saying that the baby was crashing," Raft said. "We were literally running up [the courthouse] stairs."

Since 1993, state prosecutors have been allowed to petition courts on behalf of children whose parents' refusal to OK medical treatment will result in death. Raft said he's handled from 50 to 100 of these case in his 25 years practicing law.

Raft said that his office will only agree to go through this petition process if a child's death is indisputably "imminent" without treatment. Also, the requested procedure must be virtually guaranteed to work without devastating side effects.

"It has to be a very, very clear circumstance," he said. Though healthy spleens filter blood effortlessly, sickle cell patients have irregularly shaped red blood cells, so the blood

essentially gets stuck in the upper-abdomen organ. This means that the rest of the body can't get any blood. The condition is fatal if left untreated.

Circuit Judge Susan J. Aramony agreed that the Sanozier case was one such circumstance. The boy received treatment -- right as his bodily systems neared total collapse.

The child's current condition is not known. His status has not been made public. Rock Sanozier and his wife, whose first name was not in the filing, could not be reached for comment. And the hospital could not discuss the incident without the parents' consent, a spokeswoman said. Raft said he couldn't tell how Sanozier, who attended the hearing via telephone, reacted to the court's decision.

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
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 **SMDrPepper** 23 hours ago

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Jehovah's Witnesses blood transfusion confusion.

Estimates range from 100,000 to 250,000 JW including countless children that have perished since the 1940s when the no blood doctrine was enforced. Simple fact-The Bible does not prohibit Blood transfusions.

If you are bleeding to death it is more dangerous to refuse a blood transfusions than to take one.


Bloodless surgeries are great if they can be elective. 1/3rd of all trauma deaths are from blood loss.


FY11) JW's DO USE many parts aka 'fractions' aka components of blood,so if it's 'sacred' to God why the hypocritical contradiction flip-flop?

2) They USE blood collections that are donated by Red Cross and others but don't donate back,more hypocrisy.


3) The Watchtower promotes and praises bloodless elective surgeries,this is a great advancement indeed.BUT it's no good to me if I am bleeding to death from a car crash and lose much of my blood volume and need EMERGENCY blood transfusion

THINK the Watchtower society will not allow a Jehovah's Witness to pre store their OWN blood called autologous blood,yet allows the transfusion of so-called Hemopure made from Bovine cow's blood. blood. ---Danny Haszard

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 **Jehovah Witness** 21 hours ago in reply to DannyHaszard

The Watchtower society rulers of Jehovah's Witnesses need to be sued out of existence or put in jail both.

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
 **Adina Hope** 9 hours ago in reply to DannyHaszard


Jehovah Witness blood policy reform site
<http://www.ajwr.org/basics/ab...>

Will you die for a lie? <http://www.towertotruth.net/Ar...>

Watchtower Jehovah Witness blood doctrine Inconsistent history - Inconsistent stance
<http://jehovah.net.au/blood.ht...>

The creeping adapted creed adhered to by the JW in 2011 is based on legal liability to keep the Watchtower from being sued for wrongful deaths. They do not "abstain" from blood they use all kinds of blood derivatives (that are donated by organizations like the Red Cross that they don't support).

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 **Cooper** 8 hours ago in reply to DannyHaszard

Danny,

You complain elsewhere that you shouldn't have been excommunicated for "simply" disagreeing with the tenets of the Jehovah Witness faith and were improperly shunned because you are not apostate, please consider the definition of apostate:

apostate

mid-14c., "one who forsakes his religion or faith," from L.L. *apostata*, from Gk. *apostasia* "defection, desertion, rebellion," from *apostenai* "to defect," lit. "to stand off," from *apo-* "away from" (see *apo-*) + *stenein* "to stand."

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They were wrong on ALL OF THEIR End of World Predictions in writing. Wrong on marital infidelity rules, rape rules, beards, 1935, Beth Sarim and too many things to bother listing here.

Did (((GOD))) make all of these terrible decisions to force on all the JW's as "food at the proper time", and then change his mind later on?

Or was it just a bunch of MEN, that make up the Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses (sitting up in some Brooklyn office somewhere) making these poor decisions, FORCING them on all JW's and then afterwards conveniently change their mind?

Does God serve Bad Food like this?

Perhaps He is not a very good cook?

Shunning people for disagreements is NOT scriptural!

Shunning people for walking away from the JW faith is NOT scriptural!

This is a CONTROL mechanism. And it often works. It is a gross misapplication of scripture to keep the average JW towing the line.

THERE IS A BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN UNITY AND FORCED UNIFORMITY.

Jw's are not allowed to even THINK differently.

I WAS a JW, and an elder as well, until recently in 2006 when I walked away. I am very familiar with how they are actually WORSE than most other faiths today. I am shunned for walking away. People today and for the last 80 years have died, without reason, due to the WT medical policies forced on all JW's.

Each week is filled with a list of JW obligations that basically OWN YOU. You are told what you can read, what movies are acceptable, what association is acceptable, what facial hair is okay. What you can celebrate and cannot. What words you are allowed to use.

What is allowed in your own bedroom with your wife. And too many other things to list here again. Before knowing all the facts and believing they were God's True Channel, one can go a very long way to justify all of these things. Take away that one true faith belief and so falls the rest.

I have been there and done all that.

JW's are told they cannot take blood transfusions in situations where they might need one (such as through accidents or complications with surgery, pregnancy or child birth).

So, naturally, more JW's will die.

Just like this mother died unnecessarily!

http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_...

And now her husband has no wife and her two new twins have no mother.

And all for what?

Or this teenager that also DIED: http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_...

This is very simple. JW's NEEDLESSLY die for this sorry blood policy today.


From the same organization that has an entire 100 + year history of similar bad and embarrassing policies.

This is why I suggest to anybody thinking of becoming a JW ... to READ READ AND READ UP ON THIS RELIGION FIRST!

The proof will clearly stand out that the JW faith is not what they try to tell people they are!

The facts are Irrefutable.

Vinny

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Chaz Stevens, Genius 19 hours ago in reply to VinnyT



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Vinny.

You've mastered cut-and-paste. Next up? Crtl-Alt-Delete.

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VinnyT 11 hours ago in reply to Chaz Stevens, Genius

hahaahaahaha only poor Chaz can't REFUTE any of it. Poor JW puppets.

:)

kathym and 8 more liked this Like Reply



tdmeskimo 4 hours ago in reply to VinnyT

i am sorry you walked away remember 'emeth of divine instruction, and alētheia that is both objective and subjective. that candour of fact, reality and certainty speaks of who side we are on!

Like Reply



RexPowers 27 minutes ago in reply to tdmeskimo

wait what the hell did you just say? Oh right, gobbledeygook that is so screwed up it makes you high just thinking those words altogether in a row. Stay out of the cult.

Like Reply



Chaz Stevens, Genius 18 hours ago

I thought the religious folks were against late-term abortions?

Marktared and 4 more liked this Like Reply



Jerry Jones 16 hours ago

Having been reared as a 4th generation Jehovah's Witness, I remember white Jehovah's Witness Parents, Pete and Dorothy Blackford (both deceased), lamenting the fact that their son was marrying an African-American. They blamed his pick of a different race spouse on the fact that a blood transfusion had been forced on him at birth. They said that they had always wondered why he had always "liked" African-Americans since he was a child, and given his choice of a wife, they now "knew" that he must have been given blood from an African-American.

The following summaries of nearly 1500 JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES MEDICAL and other COURT CASES will provide the BEST and MOST ACCURATE info about Jehovah's Witnesses, their beliefs, and how they ACTUALLY practice such day to day.

The following website summarizes over 900 court cases and lawsuits affecting children of Jehovah's Witness Parents, including 400 cases where the JW Parents refused to consent to life-saving blood transfusions for their dying children: DIVORCE, BLOOD TRANSFUSIONS, AND OTHER LEGAL ISSUES AFFECTING CHILDREN OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES jwdivorces.bravehost.com

The following website summarizes over 500 Jehovah's Witnesses Employment related lawsuits, etc, including DOZENS of court cases in which JW Employees refused blood transfusions, and/or other cases involving Worker's Comp, medical, health, and disability issues: EMPLOYMENT ISSUES UNIQUE TO JEHOVAH'S WITNESS EMPLOYEES jwemployees.bravehost.com

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Michele Nicole Sealy 15 hours ago

All life is precious in God's sight, it should be preserved at all cost!!!!!!!

dr_augusta and 7 more liked this Like Reply



Lepavoux 14 hours ago

Gen 9 and lev 9 forbade the eating of blood forshadowing the need for christ offering his blood permanently. Now that Christ had died there was no need to abstain from blood anymore.

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Paul said at 1 Cor 10: 25-33 christians could eat strangled meat.
Acts 15 and Acts 21 was a temporary instruction only in order to help Jewish converts to christianity who were still unfortunately wanting to keep to the Mosaic law.
Wants they had grown to maturity they would understand they now could eat strangled meat with blood inside.
Now that we can eat blood the extention is we can have a blood transfusion.


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 **Cooper** 8 hours ago in reply to Lepavoux

As for 1 Corinthians, Paul said go ahead and eat strangled meat, as long as you don't know for a fact that it is strangled meat, in which case, do not eat it, read the scripture.


Also, if Acts 15 and 21 were only temporary requirements to ease the transition from Jewish to Christian faiths, then the prohibitions against fornication and the insistence on circumcision, things to be abstained from in addition to blood, have also since expired. By your reasoning the only true "Christians" would be circumcised, habitual fornicators, with a penchant for food sacrificed to idols.

Which come to think of it, sounds about right.

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 **dr_augusta** 14 hours ago


Fundamentalism is dangerous whatever the religious tenets.

 Terry Webb and 8 more liked this [Like](#) [Reply](#)

 **Robin C. Morgan** 10 hours ago

Watch this.
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v...>
"Parents almost let child die."
While I don't agree with the idea that a blood transfusion could change a person's personality, that is not the main reason for refusing blood transfusions. It is a belief squarely based on the Bible.
www.watchtower.org.

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 **RexPowers** 13 minutes ago in reply to Robin C. Morgan

we know this already thanks. Basing your life on what is in the bible as stupid as anything else you might decide to do. It's a book written by delusional men in the bronze age, time to use your brain instead.

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 **Dillen** 10 hours ago

No offense to a Jehovah Witness that is reading this now...but, your religion is no rightful one if you think dying with honour with the medical treatment you need is worth it. If my child or husband needed a blood transfusion, I'd give it to them without any further excuses, because they deserve to live. The doctors did what is right and that boy deserves to live life regardless of what an stupid wise elder might say or yell to them -- the elders at your church does not know him and his parents should be proud! WITHOUT your NWT bible, tell me why it's bad to undergo a blood transfusion that could save lives?

 Adina Hope and 6 more liked this [Like](#) [Reply](#)

 **Cooper** 8 hours ago in reply to Dillen

Acts 15:29

King James Version

that you abstain from things offered to idols, from blood, from things strangled, and from sexual immorality.[a] If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well.

New Living Translation

29 You must abstain from eating food offered to idols, from consuming blood or the meat of strangled animals, and from sexual immorality. If you do this, you will do well. Farewell."

American Standard Version

29 that ye abstain from things sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication; from which if ye keep yourselves, it shall be well with you. Fare ye well.


Common English Bible

29 refuse food offered to idols, blood, the meat from strangled animals, and sexual immorality. You will do well to avoid such things. Farewell.

Douay-Rheims 1899 American Edition


29That you abstain from things sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from things strangled, and from fornication; from which things keeping yourselves, you shall do well. Fare ye well.

I think you get the idea.

 Terry Webb and 2 more liked this

 **tdmeskimo** 4 hours ago in reply to Cooper

thank you, i like and get the idea!

 **Sean** 6 hours ago

It is laughable that half of the posters here are the same person under a variety of names. His "facts" are as creative as this story. Folks, just because you read a story on the internet, that doesn't make it true.


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 **JulieS** 5 hours ago in reply to Sean

Jehovah's Witnesses USE lots of blood from the Red Cross that they condemn!

They USE these donated blood products for their so called blood fractions they USE thousands and thousands and thousands of pints of blood over the decades, they even USE COW'S BLOOD.

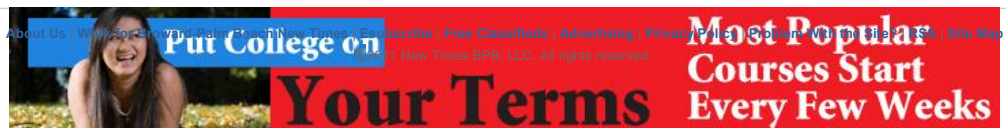
Do you see da problem lad???

 Danny Haszard and 1 more liked this

 **tdmeskimo** 4 hours ago

This stand on blood is import to all of Jehovahs children. Blood is what sustains our lives, if it were not so important than Jesus Christ Ransom is not valid! Brothers and Sisters of truth, keep your faith and love for Jehovah, there is only one Jehovah, one Jesus Christ, one Holy Spirit, and one Bible cannon, Love your farther, let it speak for our Lords Ransom and our future will be secure. Remember what the bible teaches, the Holy Spirit is now teaching us, we are born imperfect and it is impossible for us to follow the letter of the law but it is the Spirit of the Law that will save us and all of Jehovah children who Love him. It is out of compassion that sin is thrown in to the sea. Pray and have compassion for one another.

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