When Religion Becomes Lethal

The Christian-Jewish Council of Greater Charleston is leading in the organization of a series of programs featuring Charles Kimball.

Religious values have inspired violence – September 11th, the continuing chaos in the Middle East, Pakistan, Afghanistan, and the Strait of Hormuz. These events are presenting new challenges to peace, stability, economic vitality, personal safety and freedom. Faith-based violence also occurs in Christian and Jewish cultures – abortion clinic violence and the assassination of Prime Minister Rabin are examples.

Dr. Charles Kimball is Presidential Professor and Director of Religious Studies at the University of Oklahoma. He served as Chair of the Department of Religion and Prof. of World Religions in the Divinity School at Wake Forest University (1996-2008). Dr. Kimball is the author of When Religion Becomes Evil: Five Warning Signs (rev. ed. 2008) and its sequel, When Religion Becomes Lethal: The Explosive Mix of Politics and Religion in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam (2011). His first book was named a Top 10 book by the Assoc. of Parish Clergy and one of the Top 15 Books on Religion by Publisher’s Weekly.

Dr. Kimball graduated Oklahoma State University, is an ordained Baptist minister, holds a MDiv degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and a Harvard ThD specializing in Islamic studies. He has written many articles, featured in 700+ media interviews, presented at White House, State & Defense Departments.

- **Sunday, April 15**
  - **Hope for the Perilous Journey Ahead**: Providence Baptist Church, Daniel Island 11:15 AM
  - **Interfaith Agenda in 2012: Obstacles and Opportunities for the Children of Abraham**: Synagogue Emanu-El, 5 Windsor Drive, West Ashley, Charleston, sponsored by the Christian-Jewish Council, 7 PM

- **Monday, April 16**
  - **Negotiating the Dangerous Intersection of Religion and Politics**: Clergy Only Luncheon – First (Scots) Presbyterian Church, 53 Meeting St., Charleston, sponsor Christian-Jewish Council, 12 noon, RSVP – 843-722-8882
  - **When Religion Becomes Evil**: Buyer Auditorium, Mark Clark Hall, Avenue of Remembrance, The Citadel, sponsor Jewish Student Club  6:30 PM, For information contact 843-953-6841

- **Tuesday, April 17**
  - **The Middle East: What in the World is Going On...and Why**: Lunch, Harbour Club, 35 Prioleau St., Charleston, 12 noon, RSVP – 843-723-9680.
  - **Lethal Religion: The Explosive Mix of Religion and Politics in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam**: Wells Fargo Auditorium, The Beatty Center, 9 Liberty Street, Charleston, sponsored by the Department of Religious Studies, College of Charleston, 7 PM

- Admission is free except for lunches; donations are requested. RSVPs required for lunches only.
- Barnes & Noble will provide both of Kimball's books for sale and signing at each of these venues.
- The Christian-Jewish Council of Greater Charleston is an organization that seeks to build bridges of understanding to promote sensitivity, tolerance, respect and fellowship among all faith groups. C-JC thanks the Yaschik/Arnold Jewish Studies Program, The Citadel chaplain's office, and the College of Charleston, Department of Religious Studies