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Evangelicals Take Lead on Obama/Reagan Vision of a Nuclear-Weapons-Free World

Two Futures Project Launches 12-City Speaking Tour

(NASHVILLE, TN) – The day after **President Obama** identified a nuclear weapons-free world as the first pillar of a sustainable future, a dynamic new organization is gearing up for a twelve-city speaking tour dedicated to educating American Christians about the moral imperative of nuclear disarmament. **The Two Futures Project’s “Two Futures, One Choice” Speaking Tour** is poised to reach thousands of Christians around the country, urging them to take action to build a world free of nuclear weapons.

[Two Futures Project](http://twofuturesproject.org) Director **Rev. Tyler Wigg-Stevenson** was encouraged by the President’s recognition of the necessity of direct citizen involvement in efforts to build a nuclear weapons-free world. In the upcoming months, Wigg-Stevenson will speak to audiences across the country, at the **National Association of Evangelicals** Evangelical Leaders Forum (October 8-9; Landover, MD), **Wheaton College** (October 29; Wheaton, IL), **Willow Creek Community Church** (October 30; South Barrington, IL), **Mariners Church** (January 31; Irvine, CA [date pending]), and additional venues. For a full list of speaking engagements in the “Two Futures, One Choice” Speaking Tour, visit <http://twofuturesproject.org/speakingtour>.

“Given the partisan divisions on so many domestic issues, it’s heartening to see the President advocating a nonpartisan security agenda at the United Nations,” said **Tyler Wigg-Stevenson**, Two Futures Project director. “Obama’s proposals are supported by a nonpartisan group of Cold Warriors, including former Secretaries of State **George Shultz** and **Henry Kissinger**, former Secretary of Defense **William Perry**, and former Senator **Sam Nunn**. And these concrete, threat-reducing steps get us closer to President **Ronald Reagan’s** passionate dream of a world without nuclear weapons.”

President Obama’s speech to the General Assembly on Wednesday echoed the sentiments of his Palm Sunday speech in Prague, when he first articulated his plan to achieve “the peace and security of a world without nuclear weapons.”

Earlier this week, Obama was careful to point out that nuclear disarmament is not merely the purview of world leaders, but will instead depend on urgent action from citizens who can provide political leaders with the necessary public will required to spur them into action.

Rev. Tyler Wigg-Stevenson applauded the President’s outlook and leadership on this issue, particularly the emphasis on citizen involvement: “The core of our mission here at the Two Futures Project is to bridge the gap between leaders and the citizens they work for—helping individual Christians support a righteous foreign policy and security for future generations. If we want our children to live without fear of the nuclear threat, we’re going to have to demand that our representatives take bold action now to lay the groundwork for multi-lateral, verifiable nuclear disarmament—starting with the passage of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty.”

Since its launch last April, the Two Futures Project has already ushered in a new era of engagement from American Christians on nuclear issues. The organization has garnered the support of a long list of Christian leaders, among them: John Stott, Bill Hybels, Cameron Strang, Leith Anderson, David Neff, Chuck Colson and Tony Hall. Endorsers also include three members of the **President’s Council for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships** - Dr. Joel Hunter, Rev. Noel Castellanos, and Jim Wallis. In addition to developing the “Two Futures, One Choice” Speaking Tour, the Two Futures Project is also engaged in numerous educational and organizing efforts among American Christians.

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