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## Controversial New Book on Church History Enrages Christian Community

SCOTTSDALE, AZ - November 24, 2004 /Send2Press Newswire/ -- A newly released book about church history and the Last Days claims that the beliefs and practices followed by millions of Christians are merely part of an elaborate hoax. Citing detailed historical facts and biblical references, "The Rational Christian," written by Arnie Suntag and published by Christopher Creek Publishing, a small independent publishing house, asserts that churches are systematically misleading millions of sincere believers with false theologies introduced by a centuries-old conspiracy. The book is being boycotted by one church and has already been pulled from some bookstore shelves.

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In "The Rational Christian," Suntag attempts to prove, through documented historical events, that various contrivances were used to dilute and eventually replace the real teachings of Jesus Christ and the Disciples. Offended by some of the book's allegations, a local Assembly of God church allegedly asked its congregation to boycott the book's sale to the public.

A popular Christian bookstore was later purportedly pressured into removing the book from its shelves. Although still somewhat obscure and not heavily marketed to the mainstream, the book's sales are nonetheless soaring, according to its distributor.

"People are buying The Rational Christian just to find out what all the controversy is about," says Ruby Doty, a board member of Rational Christian Ministries, the book's distributor. "We can only hope that those who read the book will discover the real biblical truth, rather than merely trying to satisfy their curiosity."

The book's author, Arnie Suntag, claims that The Rational Christian is only controversial because people would rather believe in colorful age-old ceremonies and stories, than to accept the real facts about their roots. "People never like to hear the truth," says Suntag, "particularly when it contradicts beliefs they have followed all of their lives." He says that although many will buy the book because of its inherent "shock value," some will also discover true faith.

## Book Summary:

Title: The Rational Christian  
Author: Arnie Suntag  
Publisher: Christopher Creek Publishing  
ISBN: 0-9748527-0-8  
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Trade Paperback

The Rational Christian is currently available online at [www.therationalchristian.com](http://www.therationalchristian.com) and at select bookstores. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Rational Christian Ministries at [media@therationalchristian.com](mailto:media@therationalchristian.com), or the ministry's website at [www.rationalchristianministries.com](http://www.rationalchristianministries.com), or by calling 1-888-468-6921 toll free.

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