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## **Conservative Youth Ministry Is Named as “Hate Group” in Soviet-Style Media Purge**

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(Annandale, MN) Want to help young people learn the truth about moral living, our Constitution, and the Christian principles behind America’s founding? You’re in for trouble.

In a campaign reminiscent of Soviet-style purges, the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) has placed a leading musician and youth speaker on an “enemies list” consisting of leading Christian and conservative organizations throughout the country.

Bradlee Dean, leader of the [You Can Run But You Cannot Hide](#) ministry, based in Annandale, MN, is one of the the latest victims of SPLC’s attacks, which, following the tactics of the former Soviet union, seeks to whip an innocent population into a state of fear and uncertainty by striking at its leaders.

### **Trial by media**

“We are talking about intimidation and ‘trial by media,’” said Dean, whose group has made presentations to 336 high schools in 26 states. “Our designation as an ‘anti-gay’ hate group by SPLC is based only on our maintaining that true marriage can only occur between one man and one

woman, and that homosexual behavior is an abomination in the eyes of God.”

Also on SPLC’S website are 25 other respected organizations, such as the American Family Association, a conservative action group; Truth in Action Ministries, a Christian outreach group; and Michele Bachmann, a former presidential candidate.

“It’s true that conservative Americans who really believe in the Constitution and the Bible are being found guilty of ‘thought crimes,’ and their detractors won’t stop until they are completely silenced,” Dean said. “But we won’t stop, because we must preach the truth without compromise.”

### **SPLC’s tarnished beginnings**

The Southern Poverty Law Center has as its mission to make money while working hand in glove with the mainstream media to attack America’s foundation using a Communist/Marxist agenda.

SPLC’s history is tarnished from its beginning. Its founder, lawyer Morris Dees, earned money in 1961 by doing legal work for the Ku Klux Klan. That information alone brings enough red flags to expose SPLC as an illegitimate and anti-American organization.

Dees founded SPLC in 1971, after the civil rights battle had been won and there was no money left in representing KKK-type of groups. He then jumped to the other side of the fence, masquerading as a “civil rights organization dedicated to fighting hate and bigotry, and seeking justice for the most vulnerable members of society.”

In 1986 SPLC’s entire staff quit in protest of Dees’ refusal to “address issues such as homelessness, voter registration and affirmative action – that they considered far more pertinent to poor minorities ....” (*Harper’s Magazine*).

## **Featured in *New York Times***

Bradlee Dean, who has been featured in the *New York Times*, MSNBC, and Fox News, takes his heavy-metal band, Junkyard Prophet, to public schools throughout the country to help students live moral lives, respect the Constitution, and keep an open mind to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The latest firestorm of controversy began in March when You Can Run But You Cannot Hide International (YCR) traveled to Dunkerton, Iowa to perform for a school assembly. The media's distortion of the story begins with the fact that the assembly was not even given by Dean, but by team member Jake McMillian. Go to YCR's website and read, "[Who is Bradlee Dean? 'Hate speech' monger, or modern-day prophet?](#)"

Dean started pursuing full-time Ministry after his conversion to Christianity in 1995. He has since dedicated himself to reaching the young to help them find a purpose in life. In 1997 Dean founded YCR, which has as its mission statement:

"To reshape America by re-directing the current and future generations both morally and spiritually through education, media, and the Judeo-Christian values found in our U.S. Constitution."

Dean's commentary can also be heard on the nationally-syndicated radio talk show, the Sons of Liberty, on the [Genesis Communications Network](#).

### **Resources:**

Bradlee Dean on the media:

<http://bradleedeanblog.com/2012/03/30/desperate-propagandists/>

Dunkerton event by *The Blaze*: <http://www.theblaze.com/stories/blaze->

[exclusive-controversial-pastor-responds-to-anti-gay-allegations-media-scrutiny/](#)

You Can Run "About Us" page:

<http://youcanruninternational.com/aboutus.html>

You Can Run positive testimonials by students and school officials:

[http://youcanruninternational.com/event\\_assemblies/testimonials.html](http://youcanruninternational.com/event_assemblies/testimonials.html)

*New York Times:* <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/09/25/fashion/michele-bachmann-and-the-making-of-an-acolyte.html?adxnnl=1&pagewanted=all&adxnnlx=1348248152-QrC1hvBRVuI4iq/gfPD7JA>

Three YCR YouTube channels: 1) [Bradlee Dean and The Sons of Liberty](#), 2) [You Can Run International](#), and 3) His rock band, [Junkyard Prophet](#).

Southern Poverty Law Center's [Minnesota hate list](#). (You Can Run, Intl. is based in Annandale, MN.