

## Chuck Smith

Pastor **[Reprobate agent of Vatican]**

Charles Ward "Chuck" Smith was an American pastor who founded the Calvary Chapel movement. Beginning with the 25-person Costa Mesa congregation in 1965, Smith's influence now extends to "more than 1,000 churches nationwide and hundreds more overseas", some of which are among the largest churches in the United States. Wikipedia

**Born:** June 25, 1927, Ventura, California, United States

**Died:** October 3, 2013, Newport Beach, California, United States

**Spouse:** Kay Smith (m. 1947–2013)

**Children:** Cheryl Brodersen, Janette Smith Manderson, Chuck Smith Jr., Jeff Smith

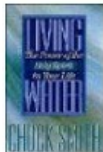
**Education:** Santa Ana High School, Life Pacific University

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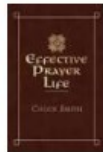
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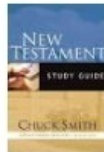
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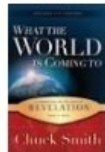
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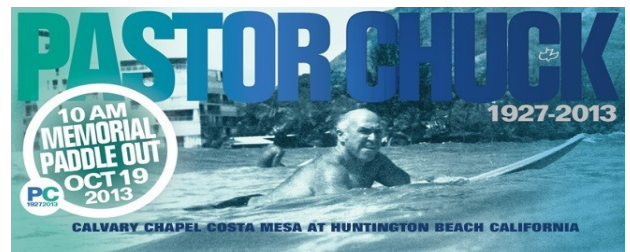
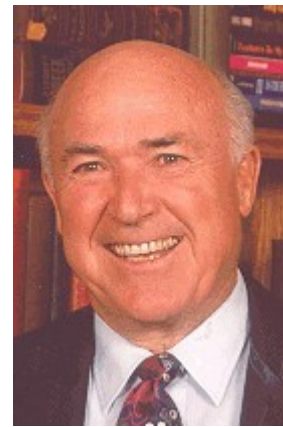
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The family of the former pastor and founder of **Costa Mesa's Calvary Chapel** has filed a lawsuit against the **church**, claiming elder abuse and wrongful takeover of his property, according to court records. Founding Pastor **Chuck Smith** had been suffering from lung cancer and died in October 2013.  
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## Chuck Smith's Heretical Charismatic & Arminian Stand – A Departure From The True Gospel

### Chuck Smith Was A Charismatic:

Though Smith cannot be classified as a hyper-charismatic (i.e., one who holds physical healing and/or demon deliverance services in open church), his theology is definitely charismatic. However, we are told by former Calvary Chapel Costa Mesa members that some of the more radical charismatic practices are allowed and even encouraged in home Bible studies and prayer groups. Yet, Smith himself has a very personable aspect, his speaking approach is low-key, and he is careful to avoid any untoward Charismatic characteristics. Hence, his ministry is especially dangerous, in that most Christians today tend to evaluate a leader by his personality and appearance, rather than by his doctrine. But this is a fatal practice, especially concerning false teachers. Nevertheless, in his 1996 book *Living Water: The Power of the Holy Spirit in Your Life*, Smith writes:

“In exercising the ministry of pastor-teacher, I believe there are three spiritual gifts that operate, especially when we are teaching the word of God: prophecy, the word of knowledge [‘the Lord told me’], and the word of wisdom [pg19]. ... How is the gift of tongues to be used in the life of the believer? Tongues are exciting! It builds you up in your walk with God, and invigorates your relationship with Him.” (pg178).

In his 1982 book *Charisma vs. Charismania*, Chuck Smith teaches that the ‘abuse of tongues’ (i.e., blurting out gibberish in a formal church service) makes one a ‘charismaniac,’ but speaking in tongues as a private prayer language is not only acceptable, but encouraged (pg 113) and to be an enjoyable ‘experience’ (pg 110). Smith's experience-oriented theology probably comes from the fact that he is strongly Arminian, (i.e., easy-believism/decisional regeneration) so strongly Arminian that he, in effect, has rendered meaningless the Biblical doctrine of God's sovereignty in salvation (Word for Today tape#1849 & *Calvinism vs. Arminianism*, by Larry Taylor).

Chuck Smith's charismatic leanings are also evident from the conferences in which he participates or endorses; e.g., Bill Bright's Fasting & Prayer Conferences. Campus Crusade founder Bill Bright fasted 40 days during the summer of 1994, during which he claims to have received a ‘prophecy from God’ that a mighty revival is coming. He then issued a call for hundreds of liberals, charismatics, and new-evangelicals to gather in Orlando 12/5/94 – 12/7/94 to fast and pray for revival. An invitation Committee made up of a hodgepodge of 72 liberals, new evangelicals, and charismatics was formed. Included were: Robert Schuller, Charles Colson, E.V.Hill, Jack Hayford, James Dobson, W.A.Criswell, Charles Stanley, Paul Crouch, Luis Palau, Bill Gothard, Pat Robertson, Kay Arthur, and Larry Burkett. CCC's Bill Bright cites ‘a great sense of urgency to link arms and unitedly call upon God for help in the spirit of King Jehoshaphat (2 Chr.20). This ecumenical ‘linking’ is in the ‘spirit of Jehoshaphat’ indeed, but the Jehoshaphat of 2 Chr 18 (instead of 2 Chr 20) where he ‘linked’ with wicked King Ahab and incurred the wrath of God. (Reported in the 11/15/94, *Calvary Contender*.) [Another three-day ‘Fasting & Prayer’ conference was held in 11/95 in Los Angeles; it attracted 3,500 ‘evangelicals’ and charismatics. The Invitation/Host Committee for this event included most of those listed above, plus Dick Eastman, Chuck Smith, Bill McCartney (Promise Keepers), Tim and Beverley LaHaye, Shirley Dobson, Paul Ceder [E-Free], Ted Engstrom (World Vision), Joseph Stowell (Moody), and Joseph Aldrich (Multnomah). A third conference was held 11/14/96 – 11/16/96 in St. Louis. New additions to the Host Committee included Max Lucado, Henry Blackaby, Loren Cunningham (YWAM). Greg Laurie, Dennis Rainey, Randy Phillips (Promise Keepers), Josh McDowell, D. James Kennedy, Howard Kendrick, and Neil Anderson. (Conferences have been held every year now, but there is an uncertain future with Bill Bright's August 2001 retirement from Campus Crusade.)]





**Chuck Smith's Reprobate Friends Greg Laurie and the  
Chrislam Preacher Rick Warren.**

