

Kim Jong-un, first diplomacy, then he must go: by Dr. Glenn Mollette

I really don't want to take my column space to write anything else about Kim Jong-un. There is so much going on in America and the world that I would rather write about.

Here we are again with this idiot dominating the news in our country. I don't think anyone has ever liked this weirdo. For the past decade we have simply brushed him off as the North Korea Kook. Former NBA basketball player Dennis Rodman has been there to play basketball and the dictator referred to Rodman as the highest-ranking diplomat to visit North Korea from the United States. Huh? Rodman is just a retired professional basketball player. He was a great player.

In the last few years our country has had to take Jong-un in all dead seriousness. He has been test launching one missile after another with the hopes of achieving the kind of missile that would reach the United States. You see how much everybody loves America? I do think we have some friends. My wife and I visited France recently and everyone was very congenial to us in that country. Jong-un is not a friend. I wouldn't go to North Korea. Do you remember what they did to Otto Warmbier from Cincinnati? They held him captive for 17 months and sent him home 99 percent dead in a coma. He died shortly

after being returned to Cincinnati. No American should be allowed to visit North Korea.

Is China our friend? Reports have come that China's trade with North Korea has increased by 40 percent in the last three months. China's slave wages and currency manipulation have not been a friend to our country the last twenty years. Is Japan our friend? They haven't gotten over the two bombs we dropped on them during World War II. The bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki killed approximately 129,000 people. However they hit us first at Pearl Harbor. Pearl Harbor will forever be etched in our minds. You never replace human life but we went all out in rebuilding Japan and pumped billions into that country through trade as we do China.

Jong-un is obviously not the kind of guy you want to hang out with but sometimes you have to. Should Trump send Rodman over to talk to Jong-un? He could say something like, "Sir, would you please stop launching missiles?" He could take him a signed basketball or maybe present him with five-foot tall trophy. Why not? Do you think that would be stupid? Well, it's stupid but sometimes you try stupid to deal with stupid.

Next, Trump should invite him to the White House. Or, meet him in

China. I suspect he would feel very unsafe coming to America. Diplomacy must always be the first course of action. Trump or Nikki Haley, (now there is our first woman President) should try to spend a day talking to Jong-un. Buy him a coke, take him golfing, take him on the Kentucky Bourbon Trail and give him some of Kentucky's famous brew. Maybe if he drank enough of it he would calm down. Or, he might start competing with China to buy some of the billion-dollar brew. By the way China now owns one of the oldest distilleries in Frankfort, Kentucky. This should be illegal. Once hooked on Kentucky bourbon then we tell Jong-un that we will not sell any to North Korea unless he settles down and stops being stupid.

Rodman, Trump, Haley and even Kentucky Bourbon may not work. So what do we do with North Korea? My son spent a year in South Korea and we have over one hundred thousand Americans there now - many of them our military. There are millions of good hard working South Koreans that love America. We don't want them bombed off the planet and Jong-un is crazy enough to do it.

Can we take out their missiles? Apparently we don't know where they all are. Taking out only a few would

surely mean North Korea launching theirs and the result would be devastating to South Korea and maybe others. Plus, they would surely hurl one toward Alaska or even California.

A cyber attack sounds like a good idea if we can really pull it off but how long will that work? Not forever.

The problem is Jong-un, at least for the moment. He needs to be talked to. There should be a conversation. There should be an attempt at reasoning. Send Dr. Robert Jeffress from First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas to tell him about Jesus. Try anything.

The bottom line is if diplomacy doesn't work then Jong-un must go.

It's a bigger job than sending a Navy Seal team in to take him out. I don't want to lose a bunch of our good soldiers in a mission that might be impossible. On the other hand I don't want to lose an American city and 50,000 people in a nuclear bomb attack. We cannot and must not take that chance. Jong-un is on a mission of insanity and he must go.

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Church News

Native Americans say grizzly bear decision violates religion

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — Native American tribes, clans and leaders from seven states and Canada say the U.S. government's recent decision to lift protections for grizzly bears in the Yellowstone National Park area violates their religious freedom.

They are suing to block the government from removing Yellowstone grizzlies from the endangered and threatened species list, which would allow Montana, Wyoming and Idaho to hold grizzly bear hunts.

The Native American plaintiffs argue that trophy hunting for grizzly bears goes against their religious and spiritual beliefs. The lawsuit filed June 30 asks a federal

judge to rule that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service must consider the Native Americans' beliefs and consult adequately with them before removing grizzly protections that have been in place since 1975.

"He is our relative. For us Bear Clan members, he is our uncle," Ben Nuvamsa, a former chairman of the Hopi Tribe in Arizona, said Wednesday. "If that bear is removed, that does impact our ceremonies in that there would not be a being, a religious icon that we would know and recognize."

The three states have not planned any hunts for this year, but have agreed to quotas and to cease all hunting if the Yellowstone population falls below 600 bears.

There are now about 700 in the region.

Basing a legal challenge of an Endangered Species Act decision on religious beliefs and inadequate tribal consultation has not been tried before, said the plaintiffs' attorney, Jeff Rasmussen. It's an argument that differs from those of the conservation and wildlife advocacy groups who have also filed intentions to sue over last month's U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service decision.

"They don't feel like they've been listened to, both with regard to their religious beliefs and spiritual beliefs, and with regard to some of the issues in this case," Rasmussen said. "They feel the

U.S. is not listening to them, and we're hoping to change that."

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services and Department of Interior officials declined to comment on the lawsuit. U.S. Department of Justice officials did not return a call or email for comment.

The government began the process of delisting the bears in March 2016 under the Obama administration, and received 650,000 public comments. The Fish and Wildlife Service says on its website it offered an opportunity to government-to-government consultation to 53 tribal governments through letters, phone calls, emails and webinars during that time.

It is government policy to

conduct direct consultations with tribes, which are sovereign nations, on Endangered Species Act issues.

The lawsuit alleges that government officials only contacted four tribes initially, and only contacted the others after the decision had been made. "They promised us that they would consult with us before they made the decision," Nuvamsa said. "They reneged on it."

The plaintiffs are 17 tribes, clans and individuals from Montana, South Dakota, North Dakota, Wyoming, Arizona, New Mexico and Canada. Rasmussen said two more tribes from Nebraska and South Dakota are being added.

Seventh-day Adventist Church

What made a difference?

Some time ago my brother Steve was in graduate school to get his master's in public health at Loma Linda University. On Sundays Steve and his wife Peggy would join my husband and I at our parents' home for Sunday lunch.

While sitting around their table our conversation often would turn to what Steve was learning in his classes.

At this time I was somewhat over

weight and really didn't have much of a healthy life style at all.

Steve explained to us how sugar impairs our immune system. How important it was to give our stomachs a rest between meals.

He explained the importance of keeping hydrated with fresh water.

Come to think about it I did remember when "Stevie" was only 4 years old and we were visiting him in the hospital. His case of

dehydration was so severe that I remember looking at him in horror because of the long needles in his little legs. They were giving him water the hard way.

I knew the information Steve was sharing with us was valid.

Looking back on those special memories of our family time together, I realize what a difference my brother's health teaching made in my life.

I decide to put it into practice. I save

sweets for once a week or for a very special occasion. I stopped grazing between meals so my over worked stomach could have a rest.

I started drink water between meals.

Several months later I noticed I had lost weight without even trying.

That was the beginning of my interest in a healthy lifestyle. I continue to make more changes so I will feel better all the time.

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