

Freedom Court
7054 Veterans Pkwy
Pell City, AL 35125

Dear Governor,

In the church I have been an ordained minister for fifty-eight years. I affirm what is written in the Discipline of the United Methodist Church: "We affirm our long-standing support of abstinence from alcohol as a faithful witness to God's liberating and redeeming love for persons. We support abstinence from the use of any illegal drugs".

In view of this I ask you to read the enclosed letter carefully in its entirety. You will reply, I hope. Moreover, I wish you may have copies made and furnished to every member of your office staff and member of your legislative body.

Yes, I know this will take much effort and much time to awaken every person with moral consciousness to face the facts about this matter and be ready to vote on it.

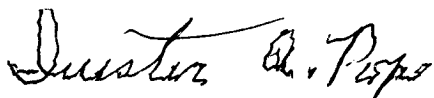
Drugs, all drugs (except legitimate drugs) are destroying more lives than is possible to accurately calculate. Drugs can cripple our nation as they are killing her citizens by the thousands.

Eligible voters in every state will be able to vote on this cause. It will require an amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

I write this letter with no malice in my heart. Every contention I make in the "crux" of my letter attached can be verified from the annals of: law enforcement records, mental institutions, clinics that council and treat alcoholic and other drug addicts, various charitable organizations, and many other records.

With deep and heartrending concern, I plead this cause.

Sincerely and prayerfully,



Ivester A. Pope
Retired United Methodist Minister
World War II and Korean Conflict Veteran
Promoter for Citizens for a Drug Free Society in America

Enclosure

HOME BASE
CITIZENS FOR A DRUG FREE SOCIETY IN AMERICA
PELL CITY ALABAMA

Freedom Court
Col. R.L. Howard State Veterans Home
7054 Veterans Pkwy
Pell City, AL 35125

Dear Citizen,

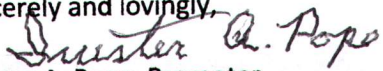
It occurs to me it is an astonishing coincidence I am writing this letter under the caption "Freedom Court" in my address, because I am calling for a **Drug Free Society in America**. I want you to register that you are in favor of the cause! This letter is being addressed and mailed to known addresses in every state in the United States. It is my hope you will make copies and send to as many as possible: relatives, friends, ministers, newspapers, representatives, senators, and more. Most important, reply yourself. Also, you may send me as many self-addressed, stamped envelopes as you wish and I will furnish the copy of this letter and mail it for you.

The purpose of this letter is to arouse and alert persons to this cause. I am proposing a Federal Law that will abolish the production and distribution of all debilitating (destructive) drugs. All the ramifications and details of such a law cannot be dealt with in this letter. With your replies we may move our Congress to act. All drugs must be brought under more stringent control by Federal and State laws but it cannot be by states alone! Yes, eventually an amendment to the Constitution will be necessary, and you can vote on this! Every person who replies will be recorded in a ledger entitled "CITIZENS FOR A DRUG FREE SOCIETY". I will acknowledge your reply only if you send me a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Now here is the crux of the matter. I submit to you the following reasons I am so dedicated to the cause: more lives are lost because of a person driving under the influence of drugs; more and more homicides and suicides because of drugs; more unwanted babies born because of alcohol; more people in poverty because of drugs; these and many more of our social problems are caused or greatly aggravated by drugs. The drug in alcohol is ethanol, not meant for human consumption. There are other drugs flooding the market today that are equally, or possibly more destructive than alcohol. Some believe this but I believe alcohol trumps them all because of the amount on the market and convenience! The only way to control destructive drugs is to eliminate easy accessibility to all! Tobacco may not be labeled as a drug But it is addictive and a killer!

Will you be a party to this cause? As long as I live and have enough strength I will pursue this goal. God has laid this on my heart and mind, without a doubt! With deep and heartrending concern and with absolutely no malice, I plead this cause!

Sincerely and lovingly,


Ivester A. Pope, Promoter
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World War II and Korean Conflict Veteran

REPLY

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YES, register me in favor of the cause. Signed _____

A CITIZEN FOR A DRUG FREE SOCIETY IN AMERICA