

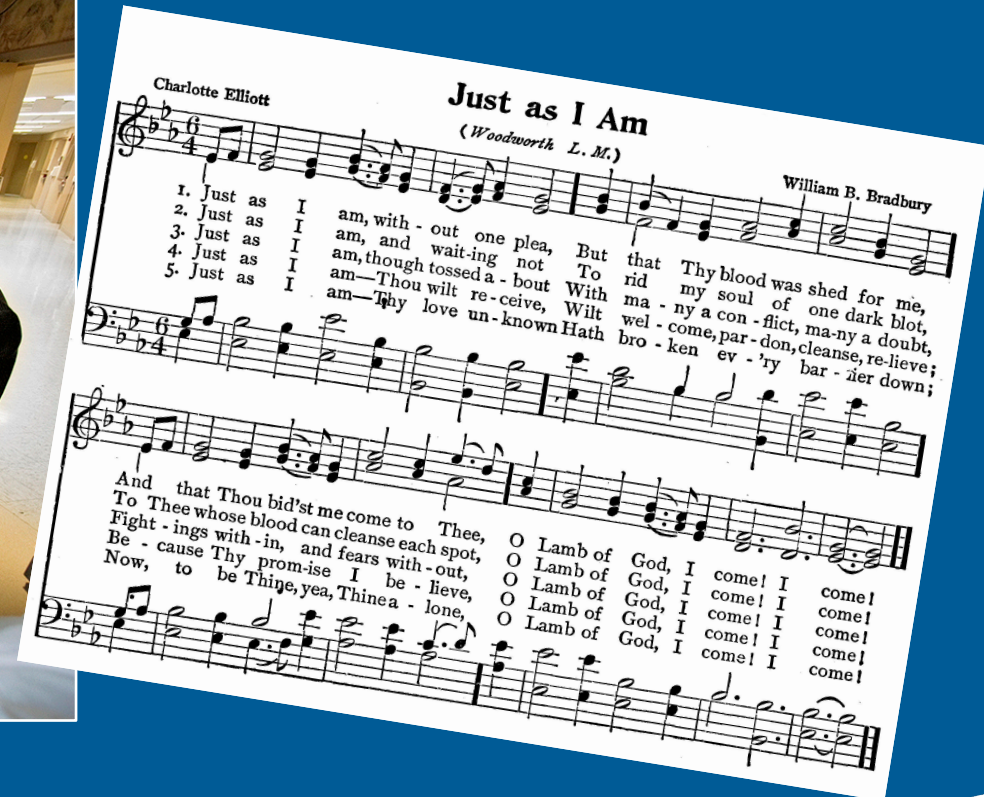


## **Adventist Bioethics Conference**

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# Just As I Am

## Ethics of Evangelism at the Bedside



**“Hospital Hallways . . . are places where values intersect and where profound decisions can be shaped by individuals’ religious and spiritual beliefs.”**



Zaidi, Danish. “Influences of Religion and Spirituality in Medicine,”  
AMA Journal of Ethics, July 2018, vol 20, #7:E609-612



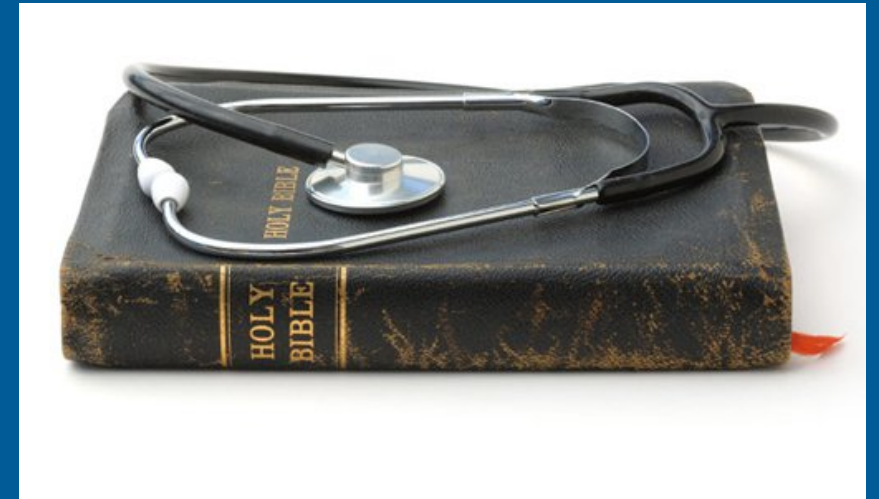
**“I don’t believe it is the place of a doctor to evangelize. It is both unprofessional and unethical.”**

Wood, Donald K. “The Ethics of Evangelism in the Doctor-Patient Relationship,”  
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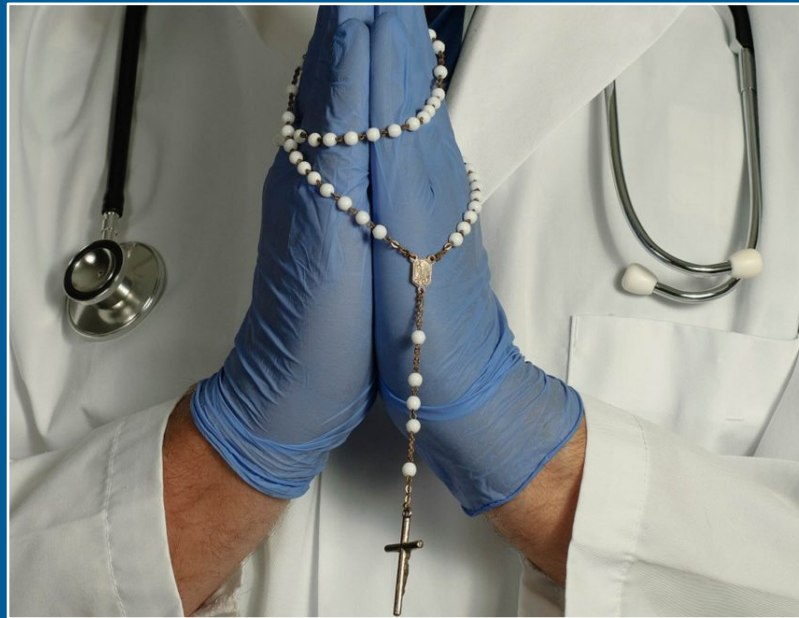


**“When an invitation to follow Jesus is not offered, the mission of extending Christ’s healing ministry is shortchanged.”**

Personal letter from anonymous SDA Pastor



**“The history of the encounter between religion and medicine is marked by contention and controversy. The encounter, at times, has been ‘a messy story.’”**



Levin, J. “Partnerships between the faith-based and medical sectors: Implications for preventive medicine and public health,” *Preventive Medicine Reports* 4 (2016) 344-350

**“Evangelism makes Christians vulnerable to a variety of charges ranging from spiritual arrogance and bigotry to cultural and religious imperialism.”**



Greenway, R.S. (1993). "The Ethics of Evangelism," Calvin Theological Journal, 28(1), 147

## Military

Relieve

- pain
- fear
- guilt

Mercy  
toward  
“Other”

Comfort

## Christian

Reconciliation

Conversion

Salvation

Promise

Assurance

## Adventist

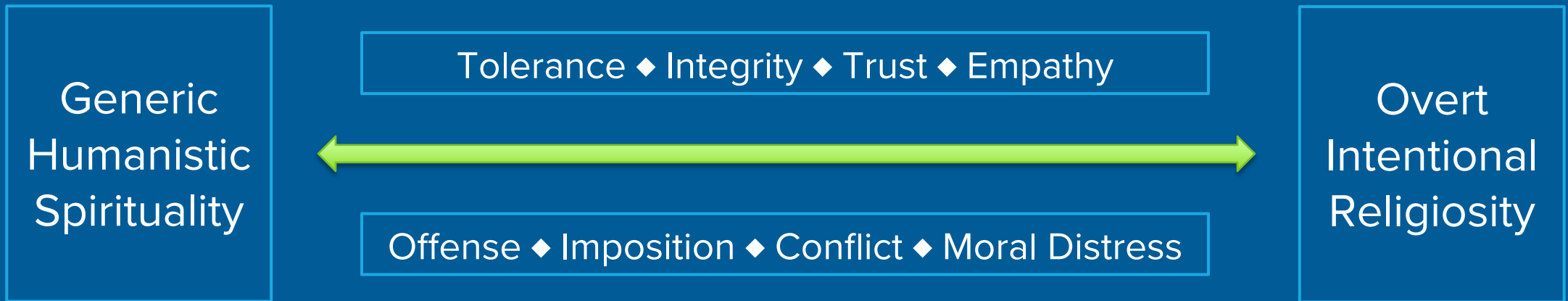
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Healing

Hope

Rest



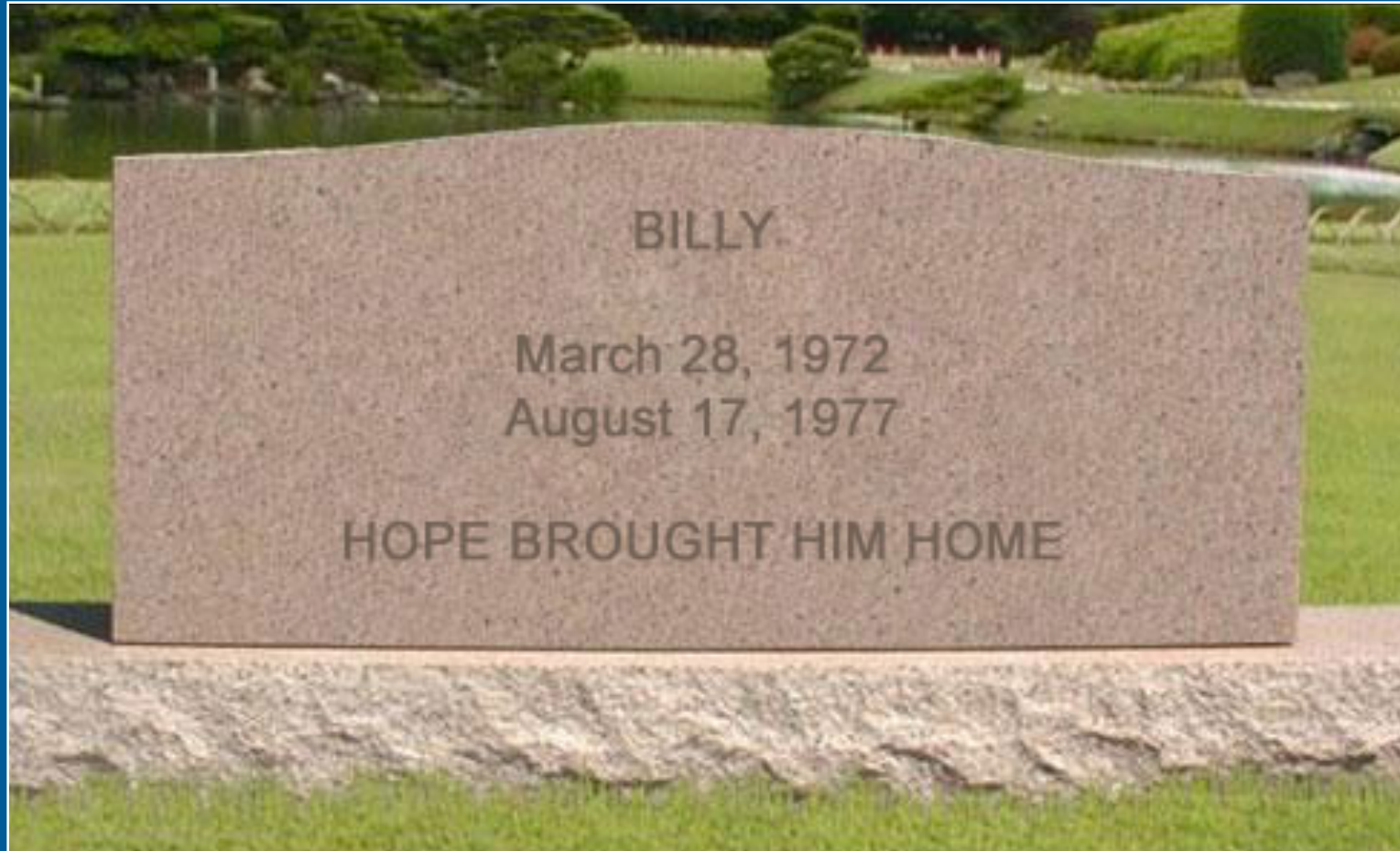


**“The chaplain serves as an advocate for the spiritual values and religious beliefs held by the patient, even when those values and beliefs are not those of the chaplain.”**



Guidelines for the Chaplain's Role in Health Care Ethics. Principle III,  
Guideline 3, October 2000

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Extending the Healing Ministry of Christ