

Benny Hinn Brings U.S. Evangelicals and Arab Diplomats Together

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Recently healing evangelist Benny Hinn organized a historic meeting in Washington, D.C. bringing together ambassadors from key Arab nations, including members of the Arab League, to meet with highly influential evangelicals. Hinn said he hopes the meeting marks the first of many between evangelical leaders and the world's Arab community. Among the 10 Arab nations represented were the ambassadors from Lebanon, Libya, Iraq, Yemen and Oman. The meeting was hosted in the Washington home of Egypt's ambassador to the U.S., Nabil Fahmy. Christians in attendance included the Rev. Richard Cizik, vice president of governmental affairs for the National Association of Evangelicals, political strategist Ralph Reed, evangelist Reinhard Bonnke, and a new generation of evangelicals including pastor Jonathan Falwell, son of the late Jerry Falwell, and Joshua Youssef, son of the Egyptian-born pastor Michael Youssef. Christian Broadcasting Network's Gordon Robertson, son of Pat Robertson and co-host of *The 700 Club*, said he joins with Hinn "in reaching out to Israel with one arm and the Arab nations with the other."