

1 speaking in tongues. In 1965 when you were in college what  
2 was your religious affiliation if any?

3 A. Baptist.

4 Q. Were you brought up in the Baptist church?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Did your Baptist church speak in tongues?

7 A. No.

8 Q. Did they ever discuss speaking in tongues?

9 A. No.

10 Q. Had you ever heard of speaking in tongues in 1965?

11 A. No.

12 Q. When did you first become aware of the concept of  
13 speaking in tongues?

14 A. 1970, 1969.

15 Q. So is it your testimony that that piece concerning that  
16 black-lit man who gives no name is a total, absolute  
17 fabrication?

18 A. Absolutely.

19 Q. The only thing that could even possibly be true is it's  
20 possible that you could have drunk with him?

21 A. That's true.

22 (Whereupon, a segment of video dated 11/21/91 was  
23 viewed.)

24 Q. (By Mr. Joyce) Reverend Tilton, did your church ever  
25 borrow any money from any organization that was run by

1 Mr. Beebe?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And do you know what year that was approximately?

4 A. I think it was around 1980, '79.

5 Q. And how long was that loan in existence?

6 A. A couple of years.

7 Q. And was it paid off?

8 A. Yes.

9 Q. And why did you pay it off that quickly?

10 A. After we had gotten the loan from his insurance company  
11 we began to hear rumors and people saying that when you  
12 borrowed money from these particular people, that if you  
13 missed a payment they were prone to come and take over your  
14 properties, and that they were the type of people that we did  
15 not want to have any type of association with, and so we paid  
16 the loan off as quickly as possible. I think we borrowed some  
17 money from someone else and paid the loan off.

18 Q. Had you ever heard of Mr. Beebe prior to the time that  
19 you attempted to secure this loan from him?

20 A. No.

21 Q. And how many times did you meet with Mr. Beebe with  
22 reference to securing this loan?

23 A. The best that I can remember, one time for sure, possibly  
24 two, but they were very brief.

25 Q. Did you ever have an occasion where you attempted to meet

1 him and didn't meet him?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And when was that?

4 A. The first time.

5 Q. Where was that?

6 A. That was in Dallas, Texas at the Melrose Hotel.

7 Q. And why didn't you meet him there?

8 A. We went to meet him and his men at his insurance company  
9 at the suite there at the Melrose Hotel, and they had us  
10 waiting and waiting and waiting, and finally said that we  
11 would have to come to Shreveport to meet with him, and I don't  
12 know if I saw him at that time or glanced at him, but I think  
13 they were playing cards and he didn't want to see me.

14 Q. So you subsequently went to Shreveport?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And where did you go in Shreveport?

17 A. Went to their main headquarters in Shreveport.

18 Q. What kind of business was that?

19 A. It's a large insurance company.

20 Q. Did they have their own building?

21 A. Huge buildings.

22 Q. Did you ever meet Mr. Beebe after the loan was paid off?

23 A. I might have, but I don't remember having met him again.

24 Q. Had you ever heard any mention of Mr. Beebe being  
25 connected with the Mafia or drugs or anything as shown on

1 "PrimeTime Live" before you had paid off that loan?

2 A. Absolutely not.

3 Q. Did you court Mr. Beebe for years?

4 A. No.

5 Q. You met him when you secured the loan, is that correct?

6 A. Correct.

7 Q. And you paid that loan off in what period of time?

8 A. A couple of years.

9 Q. And you didn't have any other connection with him?

10 A. No.

11 Q. Did you ever go out with him socially?

12 A. No.

13 Q. Did you ever go to lunch with him?

14 A. No.

15 Q. Did he ever come to your house?

16 A. No.

17 Q. Did he ever come to your church?

18 A. No.

19 MR. JOYCE: Your Honor, for the sake of time I would  
20 direct the Court's attention to Plaintiff's Exhibit 1548,  
21 which is a chapter of a book that describes Mr. Beebe and when  
22 he first became involved with the law, which was in 1984, and  
23 then various corporate documents which contain the minutes of  
24 the board of directors meeting concerning the loan, the  
25 originals -- or copies of the original loans and copies of the

1 dates and times they were paid off and the liens released and  
2 the promissory notes and the corporate resolutions to borrow,  
3 and would direct the Court's attention to those matters, I  
4 will not go into it. They are in long detail and they're just  
5 offered to show the dates and times and places when Mr. Beebe  
6 was known to be a drug dealer, or purported to be a drug  
7 dealer. I don't know that he was ever established to be one.

8 THE COURT: Very well. And what is the number of  
9 this batch of documents? Is that 1502 through about --

10 MR. JOYCE: Yes, Your Honor. It starts 1501, which  
11 is the corporate resolution authorizing them to enter into the  
12 loan, and then it goes through No. 1547.

13 THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.

14 MR. JOYCE: 1547 in the batch, and then the article  
15 out of the book which details Mr. Beebe's involvement is 1548.

16 MR. ABRAMS: Your Honor, I don't believe we have  
17 copies of 1548. I may be mistaken.

18 MR. JOYCE: Yes, I've furnished copies of those.

19 MR. ABRAMS: May I have another copy?

20 MR. JOYCE: You certainly may. I'll just give you my  
21 copy here.

22 Q. (By Mr. Joyce) Pastor Tilton, I neglected to ask you a  
23 while ago, when you were in Israel conducting the crusade that  
24 we've shown, and we've offered those tapes to the Court, did  
25 you ever solicit any money?