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## Jehovah's Witness Convicted

03 February 2011

In a first, a court convicted a member of the Jehovah's Witnesses religious sect over her refusal to sanction blood transfusion for a relative, a procedure banned by the sect's teachings, Interfax reported Wednesday.

Natalya Podlozhevich was fined 5,000 rubles (\$170) by a magistrate of the Khanty-Mansiisk region's town of Kogalym, which found her guilty of abandoning in danger her 5-year-old son.

The unnamed boy was hospitalized last February in serious condition, the cause of which was not specified. Medics said he required blood transfusion, but his mother refused to sanction the procedure. The boy died two days later.

The ruling may set a precedent for other cases against Jehovah's Witnesses' members on similar charges.

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This story lacks critical information relative to the boy's diagnosis and medics' competence in non-blood medical management, which is the gold standard of care in modern medicine.

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3 February 2011  
06:12



### RE: Jehovah's Witness Convicted

Prohibition of blood transfusions is NOT a Biblical Teaching.

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There is not even one Bible verse to support it, It is a "Brooklyn Channel" Doctrine.

What do the scriptures say? Why has not even a single representative of the JW's legal entities analyzed those verses in a TV program - even when journalists beg them to open the Bible and discuss? They simply repeat like parrots: "Blood transfusions are forbidden in the Bible"; "Acts says to abstain from blood".

They fear that they will be exposed. Anyone who is well versed in the Bible will prove them wrong.

On the other hand the NWT translators remain anonymous and the KM discourages brothers to gather together to study the Bible.

It fits them very nicely, because they can pass whatever they like.

And I am sure a "poor in the spirit" will come again and condemn me for rebelling against Jehovah's chosen ones ("Brother didn't you get the lesson from what happened to those who rebelled against Moses? Jehovah will punish you.") Here is my reply in advance: You quote the Bible as it fits you.

Jesus didn't spare the religious leaders of his days neither will I if they deviate from Jehovah's law. I am ordered from Jehovah to do so-otherwise I will be held responsible for their blood and for the blood of those who follow

**Lord Apostate**

3 February 2011  
13:57

them.  
Be prepared all of you who twist the Bible because soon you will face the wrath of Jehovah.

A faithful Witness of Jehovah  
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**Dyno Darlene**  
3 February 2011  
14:08

**RE[2]: RE: Jehovah's Witness Convicted**

The Jehovah's Witnesses cite four biblical texts (Genesis 9:4, Leviticus 17:12-14, Acts 15:29 and Acts 21:25). They say these mean that blood, the life-force, belongs to God and is not there for human use. They believe it a sin to eat not just black pudding but also to eat the flesh of animals that have not been properly bled. And they extend the ban to transfusions. They won't even allow someone's blood to be stored before an operation and then used after it to replace their own blood loss. Blood is not to be stored; it is to be poured out and returned to God. Some JW's even reject dialysis or cell salvage on these grounds. Some will not accept red cells, white cells, platelets or plasma, but accept "fractions" made from these components. There is a philosophical problem here. When a substance is broken down into components does the original remain? Some 90-96 per cent of blood plasma consists of water. The remainder is albumin, globulins, fibrinogen and coagulation factors. JW's say these may be used, according to conscience, but only if taken separately. Opponents say is like outlawing a ham and cheese sandwich but allowing the eating of bread, ham and cheese separately. They are criticised for other inconsistencies. Blood fraction products are only available because of blood donation – a practice JW's condemn as unethical.

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**Danny Haszard**  
3 February 2011  
13:59

**RE: Jehovah's Witness Convicted**

Jehovah's Witnesses blood transfusion confusion Estimates range from 150,000-250,000 men,women,children have perished since Jehovah Witness blood ban inception year 1945. Simple fact-The Bible does not prohibit Blood transfusions.If you are bleeding to death it is more dangerous to refuse a blood transfusions than to take one.

Bloodless surgeries are great if they can be elective.1/3rd of all trauma deaths are from blood loss. Jehovah's Witnesses elders will investigate and intimidate any Jehovah Witness who takes a blood transfusion,to say the issue is a 'personal conscience matter' is subterfuge to keep the Watchtower out of lawsuits.. Jehovah's Witnesses children die every year worldwide due to blood transfusion ban.Rank & file Jehovah's Witness are indoctrinated to be scared to death of blood FYI 1) JW's DO USE many parts aka 'fractions' aka components of blood,so if it's 'sacred' to God why the hypocritical contradiction flip-flop? 2) They USE blood collections that are donated by Red Cross and others but don't donate back,more hypocrisy. 3) The Watchtower promotes and praises bloodless elective surgeries,this is a great advancement indeed.BUT it's no good to me if I am bleeding to death from a car crash and lose much of my blood volume and need EMERGENCY blood transfusion.

Remember the Jehovah's Witnesses use thousands and thousands of pints of blood donated by others.They use 60% of the blood volume as broken down "fractions" then go on Bible thumping rants about how dangerous and sinful blood transfusions are. (JW do allow organ transplants which has more risk than whole blood transfusions so their arguments of disease transmission is bogus) Watchtower society will not a Jehovah Witness follower to bank their own blood ahead of surgery which is the best cheapest safest. Know this,the reason that JW refuse blood is because of their spin on the 3000 year old Biblical old testament,modern medicine will eventually make blood donations and transfusions a thing of the past.When this technology happens it won't vindicate the Jehovah's Witnesses and all the deaths that have occurred so far. Jehovah Witness blood policy reform site <http://www.aiwrp.org/basics/abstain.shtml> Watchtower bloodless surgery propaganda <http://www.theopenpress.com/?a=articles&code=01&id=479>

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**RE[2]: RE: Jehovah's Witness Convicted**

Blood transfusion ban is just man-made dogma.

**Adina Hope**  
3 February 2011 14:27

At its core, the Jehovah's Witnesses refusal of blood transfusions is based entirely on faith, not on science (as their own "Blood Brochure" is very specific about).

Bloodless surgery as a "preference" may be more popular than it once was, but that is not the issue at hand.

The \*doctrine\* and practice of letting someone die rather than allow the use of blood in life-threatening situations is the real issue. And at its core is the blind adherence to the dictates of an organization of men. The "blood issue" is the JW's Jonestown Kool-Aid. It is their baseless test of loyalty to their Society. Despite the fact that it makes little sense to a silent majority of them anymore, they think it proves their faithfulness to "God's organization" People who die refusing blood, or who let their children die,are considered heroes.

The Watchtower has teams of lawyers to protect itself from wrongful death lawsuits.

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Jerry Jones 4 February 2011 23:53

**RE: Jehovah's Witness Convicted**

The following summaries of nearly 1500 JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES MEDICAL and other COURT CASES will provide the BEST and MOST ACCURATE info about Jehovah's Witnesses, their beliefs, and how they ACTUALLY practice such day to day.

The following website summarizes over 900 court cases and lawsuits affecting children of Jehovah's Witness Parents, including 400 cases where the JW Parents refused to consent to life-saving blood transfusions for their dying children:

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[jwdivorces.bravehost.com](http://jwdivorces.bravehost.com)

The following website summarizes over 500 Jehovah's Witnesses Employment related lawsuits, etc, including DOZENS of court cases in which JW Employees refused blood transfusions, and/or other cases involving Worker's Comp, medical, health, and disability issues:

**EMPLOYMENT ISSUES UNIQUE TO JEHOVAH'S WITNESS EMPLOYEES**

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**vinny tt**

3 February 2011 17:29

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The WT Society and Jehovah's Witnesses are a MAN-originating, men-run, high controlling religious cult-like institution, rather than what they tell people they are (God's appointed Channel/Organization/People nonsense). The facts prove without a doubt that God was never behind any of this: <http://home.tiscali.nl/t661020/wtcitaten/part2.htm> ALL FROM THEIR OWN LITERATURE WITH DATES AND PAGES TO SEE FOR YOURSELVES!!! We got False End of the World Predictions all over the place, medical disasterous policies - FORCED on JW's at risk of extreme shunning. We got flip flops, blinking lights, wacky science, historical failures, arrogance, judging other religions and people of those religions and LOADS of WT Society embarrassments and humiliations throughout their entire 100+ year history! God had nothing to do with all that nonsense that was called, "Food from God" by all JW's even down to this day. It was WRONG when it first came off the presses! So why are some today opposed to Jehovah's Witness and their policies? DEAD PEOPLE is why. RUINED LIVES is why. FALSE PROPHECIES is why. An arrogant, controlling Religious Institution is why. They are WRONG ON BLOOD TODAY (for 68 years now). They are WRONG ON SHUNNING those that simply walk away from the JW religion today. (nowhere in bible) They are WRONG 607 BCE and 1914. They were WRONG ABOUT FORBIDDING Vaccinations, Organ Transplants, Alternative Service and much more. They were wrong on ALL OF THEIR End of World Predictions in writing. Wrong on marital infidelity rules, rape rules, beards, 1935, Beth Sarim and too many things to bother listing here. Did ((( GOD ))) make all of these terrible decisions to force on all the JW's as "food at the proper time", and then change his mind later on? Or was is just a bunch of MEN, that make up the Governing Body of Jehovah's Witnesses (sitting up in some Brooklyn office somewhere) making these poor decisions, FORCING them on all JW's and then afterwards conveniently change their mind? Does God serve Bad Food like this? Perhaps He is not a very good cook? Shunning people for disagreements is NOT scriptural! Shunning people for walking away from the JW faith is NOT scriptural! This is a CONTROL mechanism. And it often works. It is a gross misapplication of scripture to keep the average JW towing the line. THERE IS A BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN UNITY AND FORCED UNIFORMITY. Jw's are not allowed to even THINK differently. I WAS a JW, and an elder as well, until recently in 2006 when I walked away. I am very familiar with how they are actually WORSE than most other faiths today. I am shunned for walking away. People today and for the last 80 years have died, without reason, due to the WT medical policies forced on all JW's. Each week is filled with a list of JW obligations that basically OWN YOU. You are told what you can read, what movies are acceptable, what association is acceptable, what facial hair is okay. What you can celebrate and cannot. What words you are allowed to use. What is allowed in your own bedroom with your wife. And too many other things to list here again. Before knowing all the facts and believing they were God's True Channel, one can go a very long way to justify all of these things. Take away that one true faith belief and so falls the rest. I have been there and done all that. JW's are told they cannot take blood transfusions in situations where they might need one (such as through accidents or complications with surgery, pregnancy or child birth). So, naturally, more JW's will die. Just like this mother died unnecessarily! [http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk\\_news/england/shropshire/7078455.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/england/shropshire/7078455.stm) And now her husband has no wife and her two new twins have no mother. And all for what? Or this teenager that also DIED: [http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk\\_news/england/west\\_midlands/8690785.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/uk_news/england/west_midlands/8690785.stm) This is very simple. JW's NEEDLESSLY die for this sorry blood policy today. From the same organization that has an entire 100 + year history of similar bad and embarrassing policies. This is why I suggest to anybody thinking of becoming a JW ... to READ READ AND READ UP ON THIS RELIGION FIRST! The proof will clearly stand out that the JW faith is not what they try to tell people they are! The facts are Irrefutable. Vinny

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**Danny Haszard**

3 February 2011 22:38

### Bovine Cow blood derived HEMOPURE

(Jehovah's Witnesses take cows blood and instead of pouring it out on the ground, they make Hemopure to put in human bodies. How unbiblical and sick is that?)

HEMOPURE

Reg;Bovine Cow blood derived HEMOPURE

The Watchtower has approved the use of Hemopure (bovine hg g - 250/HBOC -201). This is directly in opposition to the Watchtowers abstaining from

blood as taught by them.

The followers of the Watchtower are taught one thing and the Watchtower practices another to release itself from responsibility so they publicly state the use of blood is a conscientious matter.

The deeply controlled followers seek approval from the leadership which means approval from God to them so they rather let a child die than suffer from disapproval, congregational social repercussions, disfellowshipping, and shunning.

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Most comments beg accurate information which may be obtained at [www.jw-media.org](http://www.jw-media.org).

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**Wes Gordon**

4 February 2011 00:54



### Why Jehovah's Witnesses do not accept blood transfusions

The Bible consistently states that blood is sacred, and that we should not eat blood, and that we should "abstain from blood". Acts 15:29. That would include animal blood and human blood. If you were to abstain from alcohol by not drinking it, but you injected it into your veins, would you

would include animal blood and human blood. If you were to abstain from alcohol by not drinking it, but you injected it into your veins, would you really be abstaining from it? No. You would be taking it in a different form. Jehovah's Witnesses are the one Christian religion that take Christianity and the Bible seriously, and do try to bend the Bible to suit their own desires. They believe that the Bible, not the priests ideas, not what the minister says, but what the Bible says is inspired from God. So rather than twist the Bible to fit their mold, they follow the Bible's commandments, trusting in God rather than themselves. Jehovah's Witnesses are similar to Jesus Christ and to the early Christians who suffered and even died for their faith.

See [Jehovah's Witnesses](http://www.knocking.org) and blood transfusions, bloodless medicine and bloodless surgery on <http://www.knocking.org> There are over 140 bloodless surgery centers in the United States that Jehovah's Witnesses use. There are five or six bloodless surgery centers in the one state of New Jersey. The mortality rate is lower for operations on Jehovah's Witnesses without blood, than for the same operation with blood. Moscow is already opposed to Jehovah's Witnesses, what is more medicine in Russia is less advanced than in the U.S., so they still resort to trying to force blood transfusions in countries where their medical practice and technology is behind the times.

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Dyno Darlene  
4 February 2011 06:14

### Knocking documentary propaganda

Thousands dead from Blood ban  
Cults, by their very nature, lash out at the outside world when the spotlight is on them. Jehovah's Witnesses, Unification Church folk, and Scientologists, among others, always claim to be victims when the truth of their madness and ill-logic is revealed. Ultimately, this is so because cults are borne of men, not of God. Men were given the power of reason to be able to discern the difference, but cults demand a suspension of that reason and a blind allegiance. By the Watchtower's own admission THOUSANDS of children have died due to blood ban. The Jehovah Witnesses will lie obfuscate say do anything to evade liability.

The documentary "Knocking" was a farce. It was anything but a balanced viewpoint. JW's have the highest turnover rate of any religion in the United States? Nearly two-thirds of those who become members will leave.

The film was horribly biased. The general pretense of the film was to promote how the Jehovah's Witnesses religion has fought for various civil liberties. One such is the right to choose to have medical care that does not include blood transfusions. It highlights the case of one such young Witness who is undergoing a organ transplant without blood with the support of his family including a fiance and his congregation. The elders in his congregation state that they follow the Bible and not men in choosing medical care. This is absolutely not true.

While the JW leadership fights to secure medical liberties in the world they hypocritically do not give their own members the freedom to choose medical care.

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Smurf Smurf  
4 February 2011 11:59

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No religious cult should ever have the power to deny a child it's basic human rights through life saving treatment. So many Jehovahs Witnesses have died to the WatchTower blood doctrine in the past, that would not have died had they lived just a few years later as the blood doctrine constantly changes.

- Here is just a small example:
- Is Blood, Blood serum and blood fractions allowed?
- 1940 Blood transfusions are acceptable
- 1945 Blood transfusion are not acceptable
- 1956 Blood serums should be treated as blood and are banned
- 1958 Blood serums and fractions acceptable
- 1959 Storage of own blood unacceptable
- 1961 Blood fractions are not acceptable
- 1964 Blood fractions are acceptable
- 1974 Blood serums are personal choice
- 1975 Hemophilia treatments (Factor VII & IX) are not acceptable
- 1978 Hemophilia treatments (Factor VII & IX) are acceptable
- 1982 Albumin is acceptable
- 1983 Hemodilution is acceptable
- 1990 Hemodilution is not acceptable (Blood Brochure)
- 1995 Hemodilution is acceptable

For a religious cult that claims God directs them, it's interesting that they can't seem to get a very important doctrine strait, God not listening? Again, what about all the people (and children) that died for a part of the WatchTower blood doctrine that has since changed, God allows his followers and children die for nothing?

Here is just and snip of the type of propoganda from the WatchTower that JW's are indoctrinated with:

"Moral insanity, sexual perversions, repression, inferiority complexes, petty crimes...often follow in the wake of blood transfusion."  
--Watchtower, September 15, 1961, Page 564

"Jehovah's witnesses... know that if they violate God's law on blood and the child dies in the process, they have endangered that child's opportunity for everlasting life in God's new world."  
--Blood, Medicine and the Law of God, 1961, p. 5

"There are those, such as the Christian witnesses of Jehovah, who consider all transplants between humans as cannibalism..."  
--Awake! 1968 June 8 p.21

Does the WatchTower have a separate blood policy for the Jehovah's Witnesses in Bulgaria?  
"each individual has the freedom to chose the type of medical treatment he recives"  
"do not reflect a change in the doctrine of Jehovah's witnesses"

The WatchTower has 2 different blood policies. One for Bulgaria and one for the rest of the world.  
<http://www.ajwrb.org/bulgaria>

### NWT

- Lev 17:15-16 would not die for eating already dead animal, mercy shown
- Gen 9:3-4 new covenant with Noah shall not EAT blood
- Lev 17:10 cut off he who EATS blood
- Acts 15:7-11 Col 2:14 Eph2:15 MOSAIC LAW NO LONGER IN EFFECT
- Acts 15:19-21 READ VS 21 the context is not to eat blood as to not offend Jewish converts
- Acts 10:9-16 All foods clean
- Mark 7:18-20 cannot be defiled by food
- 1 Cor 10:27-29 only refrain if it offended someone
- 1 Cor 10:25 eat meat sold at the market
- 1 Sam 14:31-35 not stoned to death for eating blood
- Ex 12:43-49 Jews Laws only for Jews
- John 10:10 Jesus brought life not death

Gen 9:4 not to eat live animals, respect life. Bible mentions nothing about transfusions. The scriptures support eating of blood several times, and the Mosaic Law was thrown out in the New Testament. Gen9:7 become fruitful become many

(What is the WT view on having children?)

1Cor 7:27 Paul discouraged marriage

(According to Paul we are not under these commands in Genesis) What we learn here is that Jehovah's Witnesses:

- 1) Are indoctrinated with WatchTower scary bias propaganda
- 2) Allowed bloodtransfusions in Bulgaria
- 3) Flip Flop with their teachings/doctrins so that the doctrine they die for today may not be the case tomorrow
- 4) Cherry pick scripture to back their doctrine, ignoring the scriptures that don't support WatchTower

I'm personally glad governments are standing up to these dangerous religious cults and not letting them get away with life threatening practices that infringe on the rights of children.

"[Jesus] said to them: . . . 'Are you not aware that nothing from outside that passes into a man can defile him, since it passes, not into his heart, but into his intestines, and it passes out into the sewer?' Thus he declared all foods clean."—Mark 7:18, 19. NWT

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**Beth Soloman**  
4 February 2011 12:15

#### Watchtower boss Gene Smalley

Blood transfusion to Jehovah Witness really is just like psychiatry to Scientologist

Jehovah's Witnesses follow the lead of Gene Smalley, Watchtower lackey, who directs the Watchtower's "no blood" campaign that has caused the death of thousands over the years, while they keep redefining it and allowing JW's to take all the parts of blood separately, while never donating any blood themselves

Watchtower bosses Fredrick Franz and Nathan Knorr, come up with this 'new light' in the late 1950s, making it a disfellowshipping offense in 1961. They need to jail the Jehovah Witness blood transfusion liaison committee elders who show up at the hospital and try to enforce the Watchtower sect no-blood dogma.

<http://www.ajwrb.org/basics/abstain.shtml>

JW Blood reform now

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**Kurt Kung**  
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a movie worth watching: <http://www.jg-teksten.nl/noblood.html>

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**Kurt Kung**  
4 February 2011 14:14

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M.D., FCCM, FCCP Aryeh Shander Transfusion Alternatives: Dr. Shander lectures nationally and internationally on a variety of topics related to anesthesiology, critical care medicine, and patient blood management, notably, blood conservation in medical and surgical patients, volume resuscitation, management of anemia, perfusion techniques, novel hemostatic agents, and artificial blood. His publications have appeared in several prestigious peer-reviewed medical journals including American Journal of Medicine, American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Anesthesia & Analgesia, Anesthesiology, Anesthesiology Clinics of North America, Annals of Thoracic Surgery, Archives of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, Best Practice & Research in Clinical Anaesthesiology, British Journal of Anaesthesia, British Journal of Hospital Medicine, Canadian Journal of Anaesthesia, Chest, Clinics of Anesthesia, Critical Care Clinics, Critical Care Medicine, Current Opinion in Hematology, Hematology Journal, JAMA, Journal of Surgical Education, Journal of the American College of Surgeons, Lancet, Obstetrics & gynecology, Pharmacotherapy, Seminars in Cardiothoracic & Vascular Anesthesia, Surgery, Surgical Infections, Transfusion, Transfusion Alternatives in Transfusion Medicine, Transfusion & Apheresis Science, Vascular, and Vox Sanguinis <http://www.sabm.org/about/board/shander.php> How do I find a doctor who will cooperate with my decision to have transfusion free surgery? <http://www.sabm.org/publicfaq.php> What care is there for leukemia patients that are Jehovah's Witnesses? <http://www.sabm.org/publicfaqlist.php?question=9> In addition, you can view an article on Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML) in Jehovah's Witnesses [http://www.sabm.org/docs/article\\_brown\\_keck\\_ford.pdf](http://www.sabm.org/docs/article_brown_keck_ford.pdf)

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**Kurt Kung**  
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Englewood Hospital to train military, others in bloodless surgery techniques

[http://www.northjersey.com/news/012910\\_Englewood\\_Hospital\\_to\\_train\\_military\\_others\\_in\\_bloodless\\_surgery\\_techniques.html](http://www.northjersey.com/news/012910_Englewood_Hospital_to_train_military_others_in_bloodless_surgery_techniques.html)

US Military

Doctors Learn Bloodless Medicine & Surgery <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JAWWhRqCjT9w>

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