

# Forum

## Think

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She fears that her phone is tapped. She feels as if she is being watched everywhere she goes. For what?

My sister is living in fear in her own country. I fear for her safety. Every time she gets in her car, goes to the store, or goes to pray, I am fearful.

Ignorance breeds violence.

Over the past three years my sister has tried to figure out a lot of things in her life. The most important being trying to figure out a way to live. By this, of course, I mean organized religion. In her search she found and became immersed in the Nation of Islam.

My parents questioned her decision. My grandmother did not understand her motivation. And then there was me, against religion because no one needs to be told how to live. (Thank you Daniel Quinn).

Islam is not just a religion, it is a complete way of life and one fifth of the world's population reads and follows the Quran.

My sister is new to the religion - about a year or so. She wears the headdress and has read the Quran twice already. She has become completely enthralled in Muhammad and Allah.

My sister and I have had our differences in the past. We

had a general distaste for each other.

As we began to grow older, we began to find things in common. We had both gone through the same struggle.

All are problems of the past seem trivial compared to what we are going through now.

In light of the recent events, my sister has felt the backlash. She is afraid to leave the house. The mosque she attends had bricks thrown through the window. She says that people give her the finger and tell her to go home.

My sister's home is Medfield Massachusetts. She is an American citizen.

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The rift right now between the majority of Americans and the Nation of Islam is unwarranted. Why do we as race of beings fear what we do not understand? We did it to the Native Americans when they got in our way.

We did it to African Americans and still do. We put the Japanese in interment camps following Pearl Harbor. When are we going to stop? We need more education and to show more compassion towards those who are different.

My sister does not deserve this. I hope that no one disrespects or hurts her in any way, because that would make them no better than the fundamentalist who took all those innocent lives.

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## Corrections to the Review of Counting Crows

David Butler  
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Editor,

I enjoyed reading *The Guilfordian's* review on the Counting Crows concert at Davidson on Sept. 3, 2001. Being a huge C.Crows fan myself and having been in attendance that night as well as 3 nights before at the House of Blues in Myrtle Beach SC., I feel I need to point out some rather glaring inaccuracies.

1. The photo labeled "The bassist jamming" is not the bassist, he is a guitarist. In fact, he is not a real member of the Counting Crows. He is David Immergluck and although he has played with them over the past 2 years he

is not listed as a member but as a guest on their last CD.

2. "The band moves through their set fluidly, from the juxtaposition of the lyric and melody that is "Round Here"." "Round Here" was NOT performed that night.

3. "The band closed out the set with an absolutely incredible version of Rain King" "Rain King" was the next to the last song of the set. The set ended with a new song titled "1492."

4. "The band takes the stage for an encore that lasts five songs and another 45 minutes." The encore was only two songs: the new "Goodnight LA" and "Hangin'around."

5. "We shared a remarkable experience with 10,000 remarkable strangers." The

John M. Belk Arena holds approximately 6,000 people and this show had sold around 4,000.

Hate to seem picky, but lets at least get the basic facts right.

David Butler

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