Religion not banned in classroom, judge says

By MARGARET MILLER
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structor, "because, as Christians and teachers, we have found ourselves wonder-ing exactly what we can do to help young people in our classrooms."

If, for example, get asked how a Christian can have a career in the military, and as an educator I feel! I can't just shuffle a question like that axide."

JUDGE DAVIS, in considering freedoms and limitations, pointed out that the matter of prayer in public schools has received relatively listle satesidos from the appearence out. Things are sometimes a tittle rebulos.

Buth edd strace the history of the question as it has come before the high count and applied the findings to a number of situations trought up by the teachers.

"No authority—static, school band or

teacher—can inaugorate a system of any type of prayer in school." the Judge stated. "But If students want to pray, more power to them, there and law against it. "What you can't do is say "We'll have the following prayer," or insist on a certain type of prayer."

"THE JUDGE SAID it's legal "to discuss religion in the classrooms, as long as it's along academic line's rather than the lines of exhortation."

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might argue that that would be a favoring of the Qualter religion, since that sect prices allowed to personing, but I do not believe that could stand up in court. Asked whether a teacher could use school property for after-school mostings are common, the place passive to the fact that there still are areas of uncertainty and a lack of clear-cal precedents in the matter of prayer in school. "For what it's worth, I would my yes to that one." he stated.

THE HISTORY of the Supreme Court consideration of prayer in school was olded by the judge.

It began, he said, with the First Amendment to the Constitution, which states that, "Congress shalf make no law to interfere with freedom of religion."

"That's the federal government," the judge seed on ... "Id don't state how their affects the state of Michagan or the city of Livonia, or a sender in Livonia"."
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