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BlackSDA _ 3ABN _ Just Some Facts

Posted by: Bystander Feb 7 2007, 04:54 PM

This email was forwarded to me with permission to post it. I will do so.

3ABN income is public record. I guess anyone can get them. The question should be asked, Why did Linda make more money than Danny when she was working there. She was only Vice President. She should be making less. Did it ever occur to anyone that she felt she deserved more than the President. A very inflated view of one's self I would think.

1..Danny still makes less than most pastors when you include all their benefits. Danny does not even get retirement that all SDA pastors get.

2..The figures represented show his benefits except Health Insurance even including several thousand dollars that he pays annually for use of a company car that shows up on his income tax as a benefit thus raising the bottom line of his total income a year. Also, in 2004 and 2005 he chose to work through much of his vacation time and was paid for it, which also shows up on the bottom line of total salary.

3..Records show that Linda had use of a company vehicle but didn't want to pay for its use. The 3ABN board voted that on top of her salary that she be given the vehicle she was driving at the time worth Approx. \$15,000! She then used it as down payment to trade it in on her Approx. \$47,000

2003 Toyota Sequoia.

4..Though Danny didn't get his name on the title as he thought he would, he did get stuck with the loan from Combank that still has his name along with Linda as borrower. Danny also has proof that he has payed money for Linda's vehicle even after their.....you guessed it! The way Linda set it up is that Danny gets none of the asset of her cars worth, but is responsible for paying the liability! (notice the enclosed documents as proof! **(I have a copy of the documents but can't seem to scan them on. I will try again later.) Bystander**

Who said Linda is Naive! Maybe the chapter in Linda's book should be changed to Danny being the trusting, naive one!

Have people call their local Conference and ask them just how much tithe money does it take to totally pay for a pastor and his families benefits per year.

5..Danny doesn't get education benefits for his children as does conference employees for example. Some Conf. provide nearly 2/3 of their childrens school bills. If one has children in school especially academy and college this can be very costly. Thousands and thousands of dollars per year.

6..Many Conferences provide housing allowances, travel and many more perks.

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10.. It has been stated here that Danny handled all the marital finances and Linda had no knowledge of such things.

Fact: Linda handled the biggest part of the finances. 3abn has access to thousands and thousands of checks written over the years for bills, groceries, purchases, utilities, ect ect in Linda's handwriting and Linda's signature

Fact: Danny does not give himself raises. Only the 3ABN board of Directors can give him a raise.

Fact: While Danny and Linda were married and they had two incomes to pay the bills, it has already been noticed that Linda chose to make more than Danny. **The 3ABN board has never voted for Linda to make more money than Danny as President.** As minutes to 3ABN board meeting will reflect Danny refused cost of living raises that all salaried employees get each year. Linda continued to take her money. This is how she went from making her salary of several thousand dollars a year less than Danny to making several thousands of of dollars a year more than Danny.

Fact; Danny has never faulted her for taking what the board had voted for her to take. He just didn't feel that they needed the total amount awarded by the board for salaries.

Folks don't waste your time trying to tear this up, this has all been verified.

Posted by: princessdi Feb 7 2007, 05:14 PM

Believe it or not, I think the discussion on salaries is kind of ridiculous. I think everyone ought to get more, including Danny. He did co found a entire wolrd ministry. I have never said he didn't have his good points, and God never uses him, He does, that is apparent. That is not to say that he was perfect, he gots some serious issues with control to begin with, and it goes down hill from there. God uses each of us right where we are, Danny is His child also. T

he only thing I see is that Danny does have perks, like the use of the private jet, etc. the severely underpaid employees have no perks. Linda should have gotten more money when she left, if nothing else Danny should have had respect for the work she put into 3ABN. The courts should not have had to tell him that.

Once again, I never said Linda was perfect, don't rightly know what she was, really. Danny did himself a disservice with that gag order. The only words and deeds out there are his, and too many are down right crooked and reprehensible. If he wanted to drag Linda down with him, he should have let her speak and also be accountable for the way things were done at 3ABN, truthfully, she ain't been gone that long.....But naw, he so busy trying to shut her down. See, that be the limb the devil coaxes us onto, and then he begins to saw at the base. Now you are on here trying to back track and place some kind of blame on Linda, trying to make sure she is not seen as a victim. Or hshould I say change the view from victime to accomplice, involved in a deal where she might not have realized that there was no honor among thieves.

I don't mean if you mean to infer this, but as with Tommy(he wasn't molesting those boys, but having gay affairs), you are not saying that Danny didn't do anything wrong, but that Linda did her dirt, too. That still makes Danny wrong, and accountable. We can't ask Linda, because.....guess what.....you've got it!

Posted by: Snoopy Feb 7 2007, 05:15 PM

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LOL Snoopy! That's a definite touch'e.

-Yogi

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Posted by: PrincessDrRe Feb 7 2007, 08:37 PM

Sorry. I can't get down with the sentence:

"Danny still makes less than most pastors when you include all their benefits. Danny does not even get retirement that all SDA pastors get..."

The fact that the man has "HORSES" alone puts him above all the SDA Pastors that I know personally - one of which "subsititute teaches" to make "extra money" for the family.....

Why do so many ("regular") Pastors have broke down cars?

Why do so many ("regular") Pastors have to "beg" for a raise?



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Yes, I believe your thinking is quite off. Fact is Danny does not get a retirement. Fact is he didn't get school allowance for his kids. Fact is if he does make more, why shouldn't he? As posted, pastors are not responsible for bringing 17 million a year to keep a ministry running and they are not responsible for 200 employees. Fact is if a pastor doesn't like his church or location, he can ask to be transferred and not look back. Fact is a church pastor does not have to travel constantly. Fact is a church pastor doesn't have to deal with never ending phone calls, emails, letters, ect. that will run into the thousands over a short period of time. And no I am not talking about just 3abn communications, I am talking about all the personal he deals with as well.

You simply don't want to deal with this because you know it is true.

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About Danny and SDA pastors. I keep viewing posts that use the words Danny and SDA pastors

within the same sentence. Is Danny a pastor? What I remember from Danny's stories is that he was a carpenter and was told by God to build a television network ministry that will encircle the world. Well something like it. Or is it because he built a world wide ministry that makes him a pastor? . Was he ordained? Also wondering why Danny's income is compared with SDA minister's incomes. Just

confused h . off

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Then shame on them for sharing confidential salary discussions with you!!! Sounds to me like there is a leak on the board...are those HP pretexters still available...???

Posted by: Chez Feb 7 2007, 10:31 PM

[quote name='Bystander' date='Feb 7 2007, 09:08 PM' post='176362']
Fact is he didn't get school allowance for his kids.

How many kids does Danny have? I thought that Melody was his only child and she is a grown woman with children of her own. Hmmm....

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[/quote]

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Posted by: Spike Feb 7 2007, 10:41 PM

QUOTE(Chez @ Feb 7 2007, 09:31 PM)

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I was wondering the same thing.

Posted by: roxe Feb 7 2007, 11:09 PM

i've been wondering about this also...

"several years ago" would be when Linda was still there? with Nathan (and Alyssa)?

and now there's Brandy's two little girls... are they in school? who pays for them?

why only bring in "several years ago"? why not at present? are things different now?

Posted by: Lenni Feb 7 2007, 11:17 PM

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Posted by: roxe Feb 7 2007, 11:27 PM

QUOTE(Lenni @ Feb 7 2007, 10:17 PM)

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"several years ago" they would be in school??

these two daughters must be almost 25 years old, or older, by now, right??

Posted by: Johann Feb 7 2007, 11:29 PM

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Posted by: roxe Feb 7 2007, 11:32 PM

QUOTE(Lenni @ Feb 7 2007, 10:17 PM)

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so, there is Lisa, Rhonda, and Melody, by his first wife?

Posted by: Lenni Feb 7 2007, 11:32 PM

QUOTE(Lenni @ Feb 7 2007, 11:17 PM)

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Yes, both are older than Melody. I'll correct myself by saying I believe they are both Danny's biological daughter's by his first wife, Kay, that was killed in a car accident years ago. I know they both went by the last name of Shelton but I was just a child when I knew them and children aren't always made privy to all information. I know that Rhonda for sure favored the Sheltons. I thought Lisa looked more like her mom.

To my knowledge, they always referred to Danny as their dad.

Posted by: Spike Feb 7 2007, 11:35 PM

QUOTE(Lenni @ Feb 7 2007, 10:17 PM)

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Aren't the girls from his first wifes first marriage and were not living with DS when he started 3abn?

Posted by: Pickle Feb 7 2007, 11:36 PM

QUOTE(Bystander @ Feb 7 2007, 04:54 PM) □

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Super. Just what we need.

Can you post some scans of the documents that would substantiate your claims? That would settle it once and for all.

Posted by: roxe Feb 7 2007, 11:44 PM

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Johann,
i'm not trying to reveal anyone's age... just trying to figure out who the children were "several years ago" that the conference wasn't paying for, according to Bystander. guess we'll need to wait till he comes back to the thread to tell us, if he will.

Posted by: Lenni Feb 7 2007, 11:46 PM

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Thanks for clarifying and correcting me. I'm sure there has been some misinformation posted on this site but I don't want to become a source of any of it.

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I won't. □

Posted by: Johann Feb 8 2007, 12:01 AM

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Posted by: Observer Feb 8 2007, 07:41 AM

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Actually I did see the #18 post...I'd be happy with that number.

Oh, I'm really not *that* old but we women have to have a little mystery about us don't we?


Oh yeah, Johann, way to welcome a newcomer. Ha! I like your style!!!

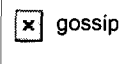







Posted by: roxe Feb 8 2007, 10:03 PM

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Oh, I'm really not *that* old but we women have to have a little mystery about us don't we?

oh you bet... and not just a **little** mystery either... 

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btw, Lenni,  welcome.gif

Posted by: wwjd Feb 8 2007, 10:22 PM

QUOTE(Lenni @ Feb 7 2007, 11:32 PM) □

Yes, both are older than Melody. I'll correct myself by saying I believe they are both Danny's biological daughter's by his first wife, Kay, that was killed in a car accident years ago. I know they both went by the last name of Shelton but I was just a child when I knew them and children aren't always made privy to all information. I know that Rhonda for sure favored the Sheltons. I thought Lisa looked more like her mom.

To my knowledge, they always referred to Danny as their dad.

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Posted by: ex3ABNemployee Feb 8 2007, 10:45 PM

QUOTE(wwjd @ Feb 8 2007, 10:22 PM) □

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Posted by: sonshineonme Feb 8 2007, 10:47 PM

QUOTE(ex3ABNemployee @ Feb 8 2007, 08:45 PM)

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Posted by: wwjd Feb 8 2007, 10:49 PM

QUOTE(sonshineonme @ Feb 8 2007, 10:47 PM)

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Sorry, you know what I meant

Posted by: Ralph Feb 8 2007, 11:27 PM

QUOTE(roxie @ Feb 8 2007, 09:03 PM)

oh you bet... and not just a **little** mystery either...

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btw, Lenni, welcome.gif

How much do you weigh? se gossip

Posted by: roxie Feb 9 2007, 01:41 AM

QUOTE(Ralph @ Feb 8 2007, 10:27 PM)

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Posted by: glenetta Feb 9 2007, 04:51 PM

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Posted by: princessdi Feb 9 2007, 05:14 PM

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2Tim 2:23 But refuse the foolish and uninstructed questionings, knowing that they generate quarrels.

Posted by: Spike Feb 9 2007, 05:24 PM

QUOTE(glenetta @ Feb 9 2007, 03:51 PM)

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Take a look at their ages again. There wasn't a whole lot to raise.

Posted by: inga Feb 9 2007, 05:30 PM

QUOTE(glenetta @ Feb 9 2007, 05:51 PM)

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I find the contemplation of Danny's "big heart" quite overwhelming.

How old were Kay's daughters when he married her? What was his involvement in their raising? I wonder whether he "raised" them in the same manner as Linda's daughter? (He "raised" Linda's daughter in such a manner that she signed an affidavit alleging that Danny molested her.) His big heart went out to Nathan's, Linda's son, in such a great manner that he found it necessary to divorce Nathan's mother over sticking to supporting her son's treatment.

What a big heart, indeed!

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Posted by: Green Cochoa Feb 10 2007, 08:44 AM

If Danny were truly playing the man, husband and father, in this situation, I would expect him to have made many of those phone calls to his son's doctor himself, thus easing the burden upon his wife. Surely she was strained emotionally and physically to deal with such a sensitive burden--alone. A manly man would have come to his wife's aid and not left the entire burden of care to her. Perhaps he, with his manly, analytical mind could have communicated more efficiently and

not required so many hours of long-distance calls. Perhaps he could have spent the hours saved in talking through with his wife those emotions that she was going through from all of this. Perhaps.

Why do you think his son had been weakened to the point of succumbing to such temptations? What drove him to that? Did he seek comfort in lieu of acceptance? (These be rhetorical.)

On the other hand, if it were unacceptable, and had "spiritual adultery" written all over her extended phone calls to an overseas doctor, I guess he must have not wanted to commit "spiritual ho____." What a shame to have one's mind on such suspicions, to such a coloring of reality. There's a reason why trust is so important in a marriage. If one is always suspicious, there is sometimes a tendency for others is to live up to those expectations. If those others do not do so, the person's suspicions still cloud their mind to see only that which they think they should see.

Attitude is crucial.

Posted by: lurker Feb 10 2007, 09:30 AM

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Posted by: JustTana Feb 10 2007, 11:21 AM

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JT

Posted by: lurker Feb 10 2007, 03:06 PM

I believe Danny told about his "antics" when he was speaking on 3ABN and it was probably years ago if my memory serves correctly. I don't believe it has been discussed on BSDA.

Posted by: PrincessDrRe Feb 10 2007, 03:32 PM

QUOTE(princessdi @ Feb 9 2007, 07:14 PM)

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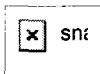
I'm quick to tell people that I have two sisters and a brother....

Only one is blood - and she's a "half" sibling. The other sister and brother are a sibling set that were raised by my Mother in foster care for almost 10 years. They lived in our home and would have been adopted if their family hadn't stepped in and decided to "take them back" after several years....

My (foster) sister and brother call my Mother - "Mamma"....and call their own bio-Mother by her first name.


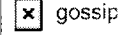
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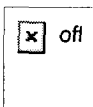


Posted by: Lenni Feb 10 2007, 10:01 PM

QUOTE(Ralph @ Feb 8 2007, 11:27 PM)

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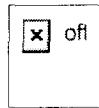
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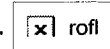
Posted by: Ralph Feb 10 2007, 11:40 PM

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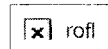
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


Posted by: roxe Feb 11 2007, 12:16 AM

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(later: since this thread is named "Just Some Facts"... )

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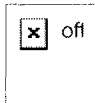


sorry for getting distracted, folks...

now back to the topic... of salaries 

Posted by: Rosyroi Feb 11 2007, 12:36 AM

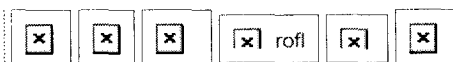
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Loved the distraction. THANK YOU!!!



Posted by: västergötland Feb 12 2007, 03:47 AM

QUOTE(Observer @ Feb 8 2007, 11:50 AM)

1: It is true that a typical Conference in the USA requires a congregation to have an increase in tithe of from \$120,000 to \$150,000 to have the Conference support adding an additional pastor to the staff. i.e. To have two pastors, the congregation would be required to have a tithe income of from \$240 K to \$300 K per year. It is also true that the salary paid to the pastor is much less than the amount required by the Conference to be the congregations annual income. The reason for this is to accommodate for the per-cent age of congregational tithe that is passed through the Conference to the Union, NAD, and General Conference. In other words, the Conference does not have the freedom to use the entire amount of congregational tithe income.

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In His service,
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Posted by: västergötland Feb 12 2007, 01:03 PM

What if he does?

Posted by: seraph|m Feb 12 2007, 01:13 PM

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Might that have been a blessing in disguise? At least he may not have been subjected to his stepuncle.

Posted by: awesumtenor Feb 12 2007, 01:14 PM

QUOTE(västergötland @ Feb 12 2007, 02:03 PM) □

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They'd get a pastor for themselves.

There aren't enough members to merit more than one,,, but if they were to grow to several hundred members, they'd get another pastor in all likelihood...

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Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Feb 12 2007, 05:35 PM

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I thought Kay's girls were closer to 10 and 14 when she and Danny married. Did I hear wrong?

I heard that. And one of you gave him a boat.

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