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BlackSDA _ 3ABN _ Was Linda Innocent?

Posted by: Uncle Sam Dec 28 2006, 02:08 PM

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Posted by: princessdi Dec 28 2006, 03:59 PM

I have stated before, that I really am not concerned about Linda's guilt or innocence in this, but more about Danny'and 3ABN's conduct. Which, BTW, supports that Linda is basically innocent of any kind of adultery. I can't believe he really thought that "spiritual adultery" stuff would work with everyone.....but then again I guess it worked with enough fools....Ooops!.....folks.

If she, indeed, was in on all of the misdeeds of the last 20 years, then I would say, "what goes around, comes around". I actually have no problem with they way either of them live. I think it was Joy who said something about working 20 years and accumulating a nice, house, etc. That makes since to me. Still having a bit a trouble with the plane, though bought or leased, still an extremely extravagant expense.

I am more concerned about Danny's and 3ABN's conduct, because they are still the "face of Adventism" for far too many, and the Bible promises, what is done in the dark will come to the light. Our church has too close a bond with 3ABN, and fallout could be extremely nasty. Especially if one of those eager beaver journalist get a hold of this story, and the church has done nothing,

inhouse, to correct or eradicate the wrongs, etc.

Posted by: Eddy Dec 28 2006, 04:01 PM

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If I am not mistaken Walt Thompson has said short of having pictures they cannot prove a physical affair....So I believe the board thinks there was more to it than SA.

It just seems odd to me that when all of Danny's sins are brought to light Linda somehow was/is so innocent?

Posted by: Ed White Dec 28 2006, 04:24 PM

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Posted by: missthg Dec 30 2006, 01:40 AM

how does knowing any of this affect your own personal salvation?

Posted by: Panama_Pete Dec 30 2006, 01:46 AM

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What are you talking about?

Regarding: What Ed is talking about.

I think Ed is saying that Linda did not come through for Ed because Ty and James did not respond to Ed's questions.

November 15, 1998

Linda Shelton
P.O. Box 220
West Frankfort, IL 62896

Dear Linda:

Your correspondence to me on March 7, 1997, gave me a indication that Ty Gibson and James Rafferty would reply to a few questions that I had asked them through 3ABN. I already knew that they would not answer. It was just that I wanted you to know of their refusal. The reason for their refusal is a legal question that I was unaware of until recently. Just ask any of the Attorneys there on your staff about the below Supreme Court case. "Where an answer is required, and none given, or misinformation is given, its self evident of fraud." U.S. v. Prudden, 424 F.2d. 1021, (5 ThCir. 1970, Cert, denied; 400 U.S. 831, 91 S.Ct. 62; LEd. 2d (1970)); and U.S. v. Tweel, 550 F.2d. 297.

Ty & James know that fraud is intermingled throughout their studies on Daniel and Revelation, so how could they answer to some one that is not deceived by their agenda. Ty & James are not the only ministers that you allow air time to present the error of a past generation. The below names also

refuse to answer a Bible question that differs from their understanding. But there is one way that I receive a reply from these ministers and here is how it always takes place.

Just ask a question about money, then they will always put the pen to the paper. They do not want anything difficult or to be confused by any thing new. They are of the group spoken about on page 609 of Great Controversy. "Every new truth has made it's way against hatred and opposition." Great Controversy 609.

Having personally witnessed both opposition and hatred, only forces me to my knees, it lands on Jesus first, the same with praise, He receives all the praise and credit. Linda, there is not enough wet blankets in the whole world to extinguish the spark of truth that these ministers are desperate to suppress, and you are just giggling along with them. The very message that will be proclaimed during the Loud Cry period "They will see only something which in their blindness they think dangerous, something which will arouse their fears, and they will brace themselves to resist it. Because the Lord does not work according to their ideas and expectations, they will oppose the work. Why, they say, 'should not we know the Spirit of God, when we have been in the work so many years?'" Review and Herald, December 23, 1890

Linda, it is absolutely necessary for us to not be in the wrong group when the below scheduled meeting takes place during the "7th trumpet and 7th plague." "Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee." Revelation 3:9.

The false shepherds in Adventism will make up a large segment of those who will bow at the saints feet in true worship. They wish that they could die at this point in time, but they are not allowed to die. The Bible says, "and in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them." Revelation 9:6.

Sincerely,

ED WHITE

P.S. To read some of the truth that these ministers are desperate to suppress, read my book "Revelation for Children's Lips to Proclaim."

Posted by: Johann Dec 30 2006, 07:56 AM

Linda's and Joseph's Dreams

When we were studying the Sabbath School lesson on the fulfillment of Joseph's Dreams I was reminded of Linda's dream.

Linda was a very timid person. The first time she was to sing for Danny she asked him to turn his back to her so she would be able to sing. Later they got married - and later the 3ABN venture was launched. Linda wondered what her role was, and Danny told her she could write the thank-you cards to the donors. I think she did a good job writing those notes.

Then one night Linda had a dream where she was told that some day her role would be even more important than Danny's at the TV station. In her innocence she told Danny of her dream. He replied that this would never happen.

And when it was happening Danny did the same as Joseph's brothers had done. He sold Linda by his fictitious stories to get rid of her that her dream would not be fulfilled.

What can we learn from the story of Joseph?

Posted by: Observer Dec 30 2006, 08:32 AM

Some people keep asking if Linda was 100 per-cent Innocent! Come on folks. That appears to be an attempt to discover some fault in her. Look long enough, and you will find it.

It just may be that one morning, while Linda was fixing breakfast for Danny, she needed to attend to a personal need. As a result, she may have burned his toast. If you want to charge her with that error, I will grant it. Don't we all know that when a woman is fixing breakfast for her man, she should put self aside, and not attend to any of her personal needs? Amazing that anyone would think otherwise!

The fundamental issue is: Did Linda give Danny Biblical grounds to divorce her? That is the issue. It is not whether or not she burned his toast one morning, or even six mornings.

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Seeing you are so sick of these threads... why does it matter what you think?

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This whole sordid discussion came out of public claims on Danny's part that were unsolicited and his subsequent attempts to qualify those claims when many who heard them called "bovine excrement"... including those, like Johann, who knew him, knew her, knew the doctor and knew the whole thing was a crock from the word 'go'. Linda had no say in the matter and what she did say stands in stark contrast to the spin coming from Danny's camp.

If you need to lay this mess at someone's feet the droppings all lead to Danny's backside... not Linda's. The rest of this stuff is just making the size of the dunghill from whence this stuff has been dragged known. His dirty laundry would not be hanging in his front yard if he hadnt needed to rationalize his divorce and remarriage... but he got antsy when he realized he couldnt just show up on TV with a new wife out of the blue... and the church would not continue to patronize 3ABN if it was so plainly led by one who was not a member in good and regular standing... which would mean he could not maintain the lifestyle to which he had become accustomed...

and you, seeing evidence and first hand testimony of all of this are still trying to say it's Linda's fault?

Maybe you need to change position so you're standing down wind of what you're shoveling...

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Mr. J

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Dec 30 2006, 09:34 AM

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And when that is discussed she will get her share... but that has nothing to do with the attempts to paint her as a scarlet woman to rationalize Danny's divorcing her and marrying Brandy. It is noteworthy in and of itself that these attempts are being made to bring up things of which Linda is indeed guilty to take attention away from the things originally alleged of which the preponderance of the evidence says she was not...

Can you be any more passive-aggressive? Attacking those who differ by couching them in a purported compliment toward one who you happen to agree with? Implying those who differ with FHB are not 'clear thinking'?

Were you so enamored with his being "Christ-like" in your estimation that you lost sight of the mark for yourself?

It's a rhetorical question...mostly.

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A bigger point is that Linda was stripped of any power or influence to effect change, so it wouldn't matter what she knew.

The ease with which Danny got rid of Linda demonstrates that Linda had absolutely no power or influence with the 3ABN board of directors.

All of the power at 3ABN is invested in one person, Danny Shelton. In addition, it really doesn't matter what the so-called 3ABN board members know, either, because they exercise little power or influence over Mr. Shelton.

Posted by: Panama_Pete Dec 30 2006, 12:20 PM

QUOTE(Lee @ Dec 30 2006, 11:04 AM)

FHB--you are right on in your remarks. I really appreciated them. Thanks for making things so clear and for being so Christ-like about it.
It matters not if you are attacked for what you said because clear-thinking people will see through all the hype on this thread.

And we all appreciate that you appreciate people, because you are appreciated, especially when you appreciate others, who are worthy of appreciation.

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What I read in Observer's post was that this thread is not the place to discuss "burnt toast" type failings as they apply to Linda. It is, instead, a thread to discuss if she was innocent or guilty of the charges Danny and others have leveled against her that led to her ouster. At least that is what I deduced from it.

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Some here say that Linda went along with the status quo because she was living the life of an abused woman. I don't have any first-hand knowledge of that. What I have read here indicates that she was aware of things. At some point she, along with Danny, may have to face civil actions that will decide if she, being aware and being a VP, was complicit or responsible for illegal activities.

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While I agree she may bear the responsibility for her votes and actions, I think it is a stretch to say she was in violation of the contract she signed. Are you certain that the information had to come from Linda and not from first hand experience by those posting it? I can't make such a claim.

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Thank you for qualifying the first part of your statement with "the attitudes of some here". That "delight" saddened me. I was glad to see it was quickly backed away from by most. God's power and a true and total love of Him could resolve every issue if allowed. Falsehood and selfishness, sexual immorality, the whole shebang, would find no home in the truly repentant heart.

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If there is financial impropriety at 3abn and the civil courts pursue it further, the private financial records of all concerned will most likely become public. But I'm not an expert in this area so don't quote me on that.

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Yes, Johann, I do agree with you. I still would wonder what the motivation for even Dr. Walt Thompson would be to allow Danny to convince him. Is Danny so powerfully persuasive? Is Dr. Thompson's will so weak that he would not want to verify that what he was being told was the truth? Especially for such a volatile area as allegations of molestation.

Is it that he is willing to allow things to go unchecked so that the ministry will continue?
 Is it that he truly believes Danny is telling the truth?
 Is it that he is afraid he will be ousted by Danny if he questions what he says?
 Is it that he believes that Danny's word and will actually are the will of God as some claim?
 Do any of these reasons relieve him of the legal and moral responsibility of his actions?

By the way, my example of the wife knowing about child abuse happening was just that - an example. I wasn't accusing Linda of that. Sorry if I gave that impression.

I do understand somewhat the mentality of the "battered wife". I just question whether it totally applies here. Some things I have read that are attributed to Linda makes it obvious that she was aware of much of the goings on.

I hope that she is realizing now how important it is not to give control of her will to anyone other than God.

I avoided getting involved in the dialogue about the troubles at 3abn that became evident in 2004 because I didn't want to become a party to rumor and gossip. In August, when I was made aware of the possibility that an alleged child molestor was involved with the ministry, I felt I had a duty to check things out and look for the truth.

I believe I have been able to discern some of the truth. I am still on the journey. I am still praying for all involved.

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Pete, I am grateful that you are so appreciative that clear-thinking people will be able to see through the hype posted in this thread. We usually are able to, aren't we.

From The Free Dictionary:

Hype:

1. Excessive publicity and the ensuing commotion: the hype surrounding the murder trial.
 2. Exaggerated or extravagant claims made especially in advertising or promotional material: "It is pure hype, a gigantic PR job" *Saturday Review*.
 3. An advertising or promotional ploy: "Some restaurant owners in town are cooking up a \$75,000 hype to promote New York as 'Restaurant City, U.S.A.'" *New York*.
 4. Something deliberately misleading; a deception: "[He] says that there isn't any energy crisis at all, that it's all a hype, to maintain outrageous profits for the oil companies" Joel Oppenheimer.
- tr.v. hyped, hyp·ing, hypes
To publicize or promote, especially by extravagant, inflated, or misleading claims: hyped the new book by sending its author on a promotional tour.

Lee, perhaps you can post some quotes from this thread that you believe to be "hype" and then state your reasons why you believe they qualify.

Thanks,
PB

Posted by: Observer Dec 30 2006, 04:55 PM

Re: "The fundamental issue is: Did Linda give Danny Biblical grounds to divorce her? That is the issue. It is not whether or not she burned his toast one morning, or even six mornings."

Well, it appears that the post in which I made the above comment has attracted some attention and response.

Look carefully at the sentence that I quote above. My post was clearly devoted to the issue of Biblical grounds for a divorce. It did not attempt to address any other issue, of which there are many.

One of the issues that it did not address was the issue of Linda's personal responsibility, as a result of her being a corporate officer of 3-ABN. I am personally aware of the validity of such questions. I am a corporate officer, and member of the Board of a local, non-SDA, organization. I am aware of my personal responsibility for the manner in which I conduct business for the organization, and in regard to my personal votes in meetings of the Board. It is clear that valid questions may be raised in regard to the culpability of Linda in connection with her duties as Vice President.

We who advise Linda are aware of that. So, is Linda. We are also aware that certain people have stated that if there are attempts to "take down" 3-ABN in regard to certain mismanagement issues, that Linda will fall along with the others. Some of us who recognize the issues here, also believe that such comments have been made in an attempt to scare Linda and her supporters into keeping silent. But, if true in some cases, I do not say that it true in all cases.

I will point out to you that if attempts are made in any kind of a civil proceeding to bring Linda down along with the rest, it cannot automatically be assumed that such will happen. I am one of those who believe that Linda has several good defenses. If so, public discussion is not the place to discuss those. Those will need to come out at that proper time in any civil investigation that takes place.

Folks, hold on to your hats. The information is not all in, and public, yet. The longer this goes, the more that will likely be made public. Make your judgments when all is out in the open.

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Dec 30 2006, 06:09 PM

QUOTE(Johann @ Dec 30 2006, 01:54 PM)

I did once discuss that with Linda. Of course she bears responsibility. But what do you expect of a - like Gailon calls her - a naive and innocent young woman?

I am sorry, I, nor many others will never buy this excuse.

QUOTE(Johann @ Dec 30 2006, 01:54 PM)

Linda's own answer now is, I learned early not to disagree with Dan nor cross his path. So she had to vote with him or the divorce had come a decade earlier.

An easy way out of responsibility. It is always easy to put the blame on someone else when your responsibility is brought to light. IF she was the woman of integrity you claim - and it is obvious that she is a woman of strong personality and drive - then if she felt it is wrong she should have stood up to it and denied herself the monetary benefits and various perks over the years. I carry around in my wallet the following poem in my wallet:

*They came first for the Communists,
and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Communist.*

*Then they came for the Jews,
and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Jew.*

*Then they came for the trade unionists,
and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a trade unionist.*

*Then they came for the Catholics,
and I didn't speak up because I was a Protestant.*

*Then they came for me,
and by that time no one was left to speak up.*

This is a variation on the supposed original poem attributed to Pastor Martin Niemöller (1892-1984).

Linda can not hide behind the claims that she has because they are after the fact. There are many who have stood up in the midst of the fire - husband of the year (who claims to still be employed at 3ABN) continues to work there while posting his concerns and claims here. While that isn't quite the same it is impossible for a rational individual to look at what Linda gained and believe that she didn't willingly take part in all the "evils" that took place over the life of 3ABN. I already hear all the arguments that will arise - but Linda evidenced herself to be a woman of strength and chutzpa who wouldn't back down from people - this I have as first hand testament from a few individuals who knew her well, worked with her (and not at 3ABN).

QUOTE(Johann @ Dec 30 2006, 01:54 PM)

Can you create a backbone in a person who has been taught that the president is always right? And

that her marriage is at stake if she messses into his business?

I can not accept this picture of Linda. It is contry to even what has been described to me by some of those close to her.

The point of my posts in this thread are that, here could balance occur. But what has been evidenced is a full force effort to remove any responsibility from Linda that should rightfully fall at her feet. To have credibility Linda and those who support her here would admit that the point I made in my previous post are indeed accurate and there is much that she need atone for. Then present your facts that she was "shafted" in the marriage settlement. I can even accept that she and those close to her feel she should have been treated more fairly - and maybe she should have. But until those with the accusations and claims can show that she received less than she should have, and was essentially kicked to the curb financially, the claims will only hold as much weight as the digital paper they are printed on.

Are there two sides to every story? Here there seems to be only one - everything we think Danny has done wrong in the past fifty years. Now, since he is human I am sure we can collect a number of things he did wrong - but what about Linda . . . come on, do you really expect people to believe that she enjoyed the perks of being the co-founder of 3ABN for all those years and couldn't muster the where-with-all to speak up? You claim she was intimidated by Danny, what about the board? Could she not find a member there to listen to her - or has 3ABN from its inception been headed up by evil men with anything but the Lord's work at heart? You can't really expect us to believe that - and if you do . . . well, that is naive.

- fhb

QUOTE(Clay @ Dec 30 2006, 05:26 PM)

FHB, you are so full of it your eyes must be brown.... and then you have offered some to Lee cause her eyes are the same color....

that is my observation.... and my opinion.... it is good I have no relatives married to either of you all....

Nope, just checked, they are green. Will go ask the neighbors for first hand clarification if that will help.

- fhb

Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Dec 30 2006, 06:18 PM

QUOTE(Uncle Sam @ Dec 28 2006, 01:08 PM)

This whole topic is getting old. Too many accusations and not enough facts. Since everyone is so down on Danny does that mean that Linda is innocent of doing any wrong? She stayed for 20 years, I am sorry she had to know some of what was going on. She had perks. Maybe she had an affair maybe not, I don't know and neither does anybody else except Linda and the Dr. If we don't like what is happening with 3ABN don't support it. Unless there is a legal issue there is really nothing any one can do and writing about it on a forum isn't going to change anything. If it was something would have happened by now. If Tommy is guilty than the athrowities need to be involved. The conference is not going to do anything by what is

written here.

I do agree Linda was treated unfairly, looking in, but again none of us know everything that took place. We were not in her home when she was alone with Danny, we were not on the phone with her and the Dr. I think she made some poor choices, like the pregnancy test....maybe if everyone went on with their life Linda could get on with her's????

From what I have read, Danny thinks Linda is behind all of these rumors. Maybe if they stopped unless there is strong evidence, Linda could move on with what she wants to do, her ministry. Some of this talk is so ridiculous, who cares where Linda lives, if she can afford it who am I? So what if she has a pool, so does Danny. Why should she have any less than him if they built their home together for 20 years?

Just some thoughts I had floating around....

From what I can gather, the topic of this thread is broadly stated in Uncle Sam's opening statement.

Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Dec 30 2006, 06:58 PM

QUOTE(Observer @ Dec 30 2006, 07:32 AM) □

Some people keep asking if Linda was 100 per-cent Innocent! Come on folks. That appears to be an attempt to discover some fault in her. Look long enough, and you will find it.

It just may be that one morning, while Linda was fixing breakfast for Danny, she needed to attend to a personal need. As a result, she may have burned his toast. If you want to charge her with that error, I will grant it. Don't we all know that when a woman is fixing breakfast for her man, she should put self aside, and not attend to any of her personal needs? Amazing that anyone would think otherwise!

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Posted by: HUGGINS130 Dec 30 2006, 07:38 PM

QUOTE

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too.

DEEP

Posted by: awesumtenor Dec 30 2006, 07:43 PM

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Gregory, noticing this also, is trying to bring the discussion back around to the original allegations made against Linda. If FHB wants to move on to other things, he can... but Gregory's question remains and for all this sleight of hand, hocus pocus and spin, it comes down to a yes or no question when the smoke and mirrors and bovine excrement are gone.

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Posted by: calvin Dec 30 2006, 08:23 PM

QUOTE(awesumtenor @ Dec 30 2006, 07:43 PM) □

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Please refrain from using any metaphors or references to human, bovine, or any other animal excrement. This language has no place on a Christian message board.

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Dec 30 2006, 08:48 PM

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Posted by: princessdi Dec 30 2006, 09:43 PM

QUOTE

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She was the VP and privy to all the goings on at 3ABN.

She sat in the board meeting when it was decided that Tommy would stay.

She knew who lived in what housing.

She knew where all the finances were going.

She knew about any internal strife and disagreement.

The point is, she knew.

Naw, you are missing one point. Aparently there was at least one or two meetings without her knowledge, or else she would not be in the situation she finds herself today. Also, your ID is "fallible" not "gullible" human being. I am sure Linda is not the first wife place in a high position, in name only, to keep the power(shares, money, etc.) in the family.

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issues... you have.... you have since your arrival attempted to tie Linda's treatment in her divorce with her co-managing 3abn.... I have not.. they are separate..... your silence regarding her treatment speaks volumes..... issues you have....

Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Dec 30 2006, 11:50 PM

QUOTE(awesumtenor @ Dec 30 2006, 06:43 PM) □

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I believe Uncle Sam set the scope of the discussion when he started the thread. I quoted that scope a bit earlier. Gregory will have to ask Uncle Sam if he wants to limit the discussion to whether or not Linda was treated fairly by Danny - or start a separate thread himself. At least that's what seems the proper course. Am I incorrect in deducing this? Clay, can ya help me out here?

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Dec 30 2006, 11:54 PM

QUOTE(Clay @ Dec 31 2006, 01:33 AM) □

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Clay,

Please detail this for us. Give us chapter and verse, make known the clarifying facts you have that will give all of those wondering about the fairness, equity, or lack thereof in regards to the divorce the information that makes it unmistakably clear what you base your decision on.

What did she get and how did that not match what she should have received?

How was the division of property fraudulent?

How much more should she have received?

Can you do more than rail against me? Can you give all of us, for there are many who would like to know, the specifics so they can understand all the claims and counterclaims, the specifics that you base your anger, disdain, and indignation on?

I would also like you to lay out the evidence for your claim that since my arrival, back in early August I think it was, that I have tried to tie Linda's role as VP of 3ABN to her "treatment" in the divorce process. I have always made allowances for the possibility that Linda may not have been treated "fairly" in the process of the divorce - go back and look at some of our earliest exchanges. What I have done is not given ground on Linda's culpability in regards to her role as VP (an issue separate from the divorce). I have not given ground on the reality that she is not the innocent you would paint her as. She knew, she benefited, she made her choices.

You can claim she was abused, misled, threatened, but there is another picture of Linda out there painted by those who worked by her side from many years ago that bring an entirely different set of possibilities to consideration. Yes, the old cliché - there are two sides to every story.

Just as Greg Matthews says, there is much more to be told - on both sides. It may never be told in public and those of us who wonder must accept that.

Two questions for you to answer:


1. How was Linda not treated fairly in the divorce? Not, that she was "put out" by her husband, how was she treated unfairly in all aspects of the divorce process? Please be specific with information that substantiates this claim.
2. Using my words, how have I attempted to tie Linda's divorce to her management techniques and decisions at 3ABN?

- fhb

Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Dec 31 2006, 01:36 AM

QUOTE(princessdi @ Dec 30 2006, 08:43 PM) □

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Posted by: Ed White Dec 31 2006, 06:42 AM

This supreme court ruling below in blue that I had sent in a letter to Linda in 1998 which Pete found and posted it here says something about "fraud", once that is established through cover up & such, then just about every point the guilty party is trying to make after that becomes null and void. This is the way this was explained to me 10 years ago by a legal mind. He also had a training video showing of how US judges are trained to throw a temper tantrum at just the right time to scare the innocent of any point of law they knew better than him/her...very interesting... It would be well if the legal minds here read this court ruling, as I know it would apply to the cover up of those higher than the 3ABN board.

"Just ask any of the Attorneys there on your staff about the below Supreme Court case. "Where an answer is required, and none given, or misinformation is given, its self evident of fraud." U.S. v. Prudden, 424 F.2d. 1021, (5 ThCir. 1970, Cert, denied; 400 U.S. 831, 91 S.Ct. 62; LEd. 2d (1970); and U.S. v. Tweel, 550 F.2d. 297

Posted by: HUGGINS130 Dec 31 2006, 07:03 AM

QUOTE(PeacefullyBewildered @ Dec 31 2006, 01:36 AM)

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still hot mess on toast...with a grip of "I smell a rat!"

Posted by: awesumtenor Dec 31 2006, 08:09 AM

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Danny's character would not be at issue if Danny had not put his character into play by going public with his aspersion of Linda and his alleging things that have proven problematic if not outright lies.

Linda didn't come here saying she wanted to save her marriage while she was filing for divorce in Guam. Linda didnt put out letters declaring her guilt and have Danny gagged by threatening destitution if he said anything that could be construed as negative and make on camera statements and send out an army of apologists to make sure that the only side of this that got out was hers. And the list goes on. Danny has put out this " she did it; I have proof" line and when asked for the proof, all we get is " you're gonna have to trust me". When Johann, who has a first hand report that contradicted Danny's claims regarding Linda and Doctor Arildsen tried to tell the 3ABN board the things they were being told were not how things were, he was run off the compound and not allowed to refute the claims made by Danny and his crew.

It was this railroad job that caused sister and others to start putting out how untrustworthy Danny was based on events and statements because the only actual 'evidence' of Danny's claim is what he said and his insistence that his version can be trusted.

Danny put Danny's character on trial and no one else.

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See above.

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If you are asking, by extension was I a 'perfect husband' to her? No... and 20+ years after the fact there is much I see that I *did wrong* in that relationship. I have since remarried and looking back I havent been a perfect husband in my current marriage either... neither have you or any other man in any marriage, ever, since the fall.

But does that excuse the choices she made that resulted in her infidelity? No.

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My issue with all of this has always been the selective manner in which the church has dealt with this and the blind eye it has turned to even the inconsistencies I've noted here... and if you've been reading Pickle's posts you see that the list of inconsistencies is getting longer, not shorter. This whole Nantucket Sleigh Ride would not have been necessary if the church had set out to do what was right rather than what was easy; IMO, the examination of Danny's character is as much to put the church in a position where they can no longer turn a blind eye as it is to vindicate Linda and remove the scarlet letter Danny has worked so hard to make her wear.

[quote]Is it possible that Linda was unfaithful, at least in heart - absolutely! Do we know for sure - no way! [/quote]

She says she was not; on what basis do you call her a liar? Be specific.

[quote]You weren't there privy to all the conversations and encounters. You only have the word of others to go on. These may be people - you - consider solid witness, but I don't know them, nor does Peacefully, or Lee, or maybe even "sister" . . . so, you have chosen to believe those that have provided you information they hold - fine, but it can not be used to prove other wrong who question your position. Pickle, for all his twisting, is at least possibly on the right path. [/quote]

By this standard, you should not be a Christian... since you were not privy to all those conversations and encounters and only have the word of others to go on... BTW, when those who were privy have said it wasnt what Danny has claimed, he has bent over backwards to try to prevent them from stating what they have seen, heard and experienced... and in the face of things witnessed first hand that contradict the claims, you have chosen to give more weight to the claims, even when the person making the claims was not present and the person refuting them **was**

[quote]You are free to question me - my motives, my bias, my claims, my intuition . . . but, simply because you do does not make you right and me wrong. And of course the converse is the same.

- fhb

[/quote]

And the sooner you realize this the better off you will be.

In His service,
Mr. J

Posted by: Johann Dec 31 2006, 10:31 AM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Dec 31 2006, 02:09 AM) □

I am sorry, I, nor many others will never buy this excuse.
An easy way out of responsibility. It is always easy to put the blame on someone else when your responsibility is brought to light. IF she was the woman of integrity you claim - and it is obvious that she is a woman of strong personality and drive - then if she felt it is wrong she should have stood up to it and denied herself the monetary benefits and various perks over the years. I carry around in my wallet the following poem in my wallet:

They came first for the Communists,
and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Communist.

Then they came for the Jews,
and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a Jew.

Then they came for the trade unionists,
and I didn't speak up because I wasn't a trade unionist.

Then they came for the Catholics,
and I didn't speak up because I was a Protestant.

Then they came for me,
and by that time no one was left to speak up.

This is a variation on the supposed original poem attributed to Pastor Martin Niemöller (1892–1984).

Linda can not hide behind the claims that she has because they are after the fact. There are many who have stood up in the midst of the fire - husband of the year (who claims to still be employed at 3ABN) continues to work there while posting his concerns and claims here. While that isn't quite the same it is impossible for a rational individual to look at what Linda gained and believe that she didn't willingly take part in all the "evils" that took place over the life of 3ABN. I already hear all the arguments that will arise - but Linda evidenced herself to be a woman of strength and *chutzpa* who wouldn't back down from people - this I have as first hand testament from a few individuals who knew her well, worked with her (and not at 3ABN).

I can not accept this picture of Linda. It is contry to even what has been described to me by some of those close to her.

The point of my posts in this thread are that, here could balance occur. But what has been evidenced is a full force effort to remove any responsibility from Linda that should rightfully fall at her feet. To have credibility Linda and those who support her here would admit that the point I made in my previous post are indeed accurate and there is much that she need atone for. Then present your facts that she was "shafted" in the marriage settlement. I can even accept that she and those close to her feel she should have been treated more fairly - and maybe she should have. But until those with the accusations and claims can show that she received less than she should have, and was essentially kicked to the curb financially, the claims will only hold as much weight as the digital paper they are printed on.

Are there two sides to every story? Here there seems to be only one - everything we think Danny has done wrong in the past fifty years. Now, since he is human I am sure we can collect a number of things he did wrong - but what about Linda . . . come on, do you really expect people to believe that she enjoyed the perks of being the co-founder of 3ABN for all those years and couldn't muster the where-with-all to speak up? You claim she was intimidated by Danny, what about the board? Could she not find a member there to listen to her - or has 3ABN from its inception been headed up by evil men with anything but the Lord's work at heart? You can't really expect us to believe that - and if you do . . . well, that is naive.

- fhb

Nope, just checked, they are green. Will go ask the neighbors for first hand clarification if that will help.

- fhb

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Posted by: Ed White Dec 31 2006, 11:26 AM

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Jonann what a sweet testimony! It would have been nice to have the 3 ABN board on their knees the night before your arrival as you were last night, but a fearless leader such as you encountered that day can only lead those subject under him to where he/she has been. So without power of his own, he had to reach out to the state to supply the POWER he was lacking. I rather have your kind of power, as full payment doesn't come in this life.

My 103 year old mother that emptied her bank account each month for years to 3ABN has all the nurses saying her words. "I don't know, but I've been told; the streets of heaven are paved with


gold."

Posted by: inga Dec 31 2006, 12:22 PM

QUOTE(princessdi @ Dec 30 2006, 10:43 PM) □

Naw, you are missing one point. Apaprently there was at least one or two meetings without her knowledge, or else she would not be in the situation she finds herself today. Also, your ID is "fallible" not "gullible" human being. I am sure Linda is not the first wife place in a high position, in name only, to keep the power(shares, money, etc.) in the family.

You said it, PrincessD!!

Right on! 


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On a personal basis, and I say this advisedly, in my interaction with Linda, I have come to believe that Linda was nieve. She beleived to much in the goodness of others, and trusted them beyond what was appropriate.

Linda has had a rude awakening to life.

I hesitate to present Linda in that light. But, that is where I go in my search for truth.

Posted by: Aletheia Dec 31 2006, 12:49 PM

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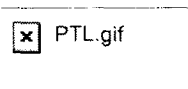
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Thank you for your testimony, Johann. May we always defend the truth no matter the cost. We can do all things through Christ who strengthens us!

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Posted by: awesumtenor Dec 31 2006, 01:02 PM

QUOTE(Aletheia @ Dec 31 2006, 01:49 PM) □

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Can we file this revelation under 'reiterating the obvious'?

QUOTE

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Neither you nor he has addressed the short list of discrepancies I noted in my reply to FHB... ever... and I merely summed up what has been public knowledge for years now.

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not want a divorce computes with his filing for a quickie divorce in Guam.

Then again forget it... we all know you have no answer. And neither does Danny.

I'd bet you believed Saddam Hussein had WMD... and that Oswald was operating alone.. and that Judas was simply misunderstood.

Wanna buy a bridge in Brooklyn?

In His service,
Mr. J

Posted by: Aletheia Dec 31 2006, 01:06 PM

not suprised...

Nor do I know what list of questions, or discrepencies, you are referring to...

You asked:"Tell us how Danny's crocodile tears allegedly over wanting to save his marriage and his claiming to not want a divorce computes with his filing for a quickie divorce in Guam."

I suggest if you can answer that same question about Linda, you'll know.

It takes 2 to get a quickie "uncontested" divorce in Guam...

Posted by: Clay Dec 31 2006, 01:14 PM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Dec 30 2006, 11:54 PM)

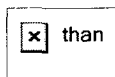
Clay,

Please detail this for us. Give us chapter and verse, make known the clarifying facts you have that will give all of those wondering about the fairness, equity, or lack thereof in regards to the divorce the information that makes it unmistakably clear what you base your decision on..... snip.....

FHB..... there is nothing more I have to say to you regarding this issue.... my opinion.... you have issues... now I will gladly discuss something else, the weather, current events, cars, etc... but this one.... nothing more with you.... have a good day....

Posted by: Lee Dec 31 2006, 01:51 PM

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Posted by: Observer Dec 31 2006, 01:52 PM

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Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Dec 31 2006, 02:20 PM

QUOTE(Aletheia @ Dec 31 2006, 11:49 AM) □

SNIP...

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Posted by: Aletheia Dec 31 2006, 03:36 PM

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This civil case was filed 02/05, 8 months after the uncontested divorce was finalized in Guam.

http://www.judici.com/courts/cases/case_information.jsp?court=IL028015J&ocl=IL028015J,2005D30,IL028015JL2005D30P1

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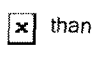
Does anyone need to know, or can you share whether she's going about her business as if nothing ever happened, or if she is trying to right the "alleged" wrongs she had part in while vice-president and co-founder of 3ABN, many of which you all claim are still going on?

As I asked, where is HER voice?

Posted by: Clay Dec 31 2006, 04:41 PM

QUOTE(Lee @ Dec 31 2006, 01:51 PM)

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Lee, whateva..... and let's not push it....

Posted by: Panama_Pete Dec 31 2006, 05:30 PM

QUOTE(Johann @ Dec 31 2006, 10:31 AM)

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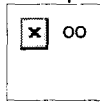
"The Council of Constance was convened in 1414, and he was summoned before it, to answer to the charges brought against him, having been promised the safe conduct, or passport of the Emperor Sigismund. But the Emperor proved false to his word, and the council was determined to condemn him."

John Huss had been condemned long before he arrived at Constance. And the same is true for you and Dr. Abrahamsen.

Johann, you were simply visiting **Satan's Playground**, and did not know it. You were ambushed by surprise, but that is not the same as fear.

Posted by: Lee Dec 31 2006, 05:31 PM

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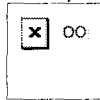


Posted by: Richard Sherwin Dec 31 2006, 06:43 PM

I just wish they had sound. That would be really cool!

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Johann do you disagree about anything in the other two accounts, like in did you really grab Walt's shirt and start shaking him? Sorry I do know you've written more, but I'm still searching for all your updates and additions to what happened that weekend...

Date a few weeks after the May 2004 Campmeeting
THE STORY OF LINDA SHELTON
By Johann Thorvaldsson

Former 3ABN liaison for Europe

It is a fact that Linda Shelton has been fired - and Danny Shelton has told his version of events to the World audience. He warned us not to listen to rumors, so what are the facts of this heart- breaking experience? Unfortunately Linda Shelton has been judged and dismissed from the establishment she loved and helped build up - on the basis of rumors. Facts that have been twisted, embroidered and presented as real. This is quite a complicated matter. A few weeks ago I was in Southern Illinois, wanting to attend the camp meeting at 3ABN, together with a Norwegian medical doctor - the one Linda has been accused of committing spiritual adultery with. We went there in an attempt to clear up misunderstandings, all caused because my wife and I introduced this doctor to Danny and Linda Shelton. This doctor is also the head elder of the most flourishing conservative SDA church in Norway - and has for several years been a financial supporter of 3ABN. Some of the problems were caused because the 3ABN archives had misspelled the name of this supporter, so Danny was convinced he was an impostor. Later Danny has named him a devil, a demon, or evil spirit, or bad counselor - like he did during the transmission to the whole world on Thursday evening at Camp Meeting. Also during that meeting we were requested to leave the premises of 3ABN, and if we ever showed up again at the meetings the police would be requested to remove us as trespassing private property - and this at meetings where all are invited.

From: "Walt Thompson" <walttmd@....com>

To: [Removed by GM.]

Subject: Re: 3abn

Date: [Removed by GM.]

Dear [Removed by GM.], GM = Gregory Matthews who says he posts here as "Observer"

At camp meeting time (the end of May), we also had a board meeting. On Friday night of camp meeting, the doctor and Johann (our European representative before this all developed) came and sat in the back row. Danny was very uncomfortable with them there, fearful they would make a scene on international television. He asked us to ask them to leave. They refused. They walked out just as the meeting was ending. I and some other people went out after them. When we got outside, Johann grabbed me by the shirt and started to shake me in anger. When other bigger people came to my support, he calmed down, and we all talked together for a half hour or so - I am not sure of the total time. In the meantime, Mark Finley spoke with the doctor. I joined them for a few minutes. While I was with Mark and the doctor, something was said that upset Johann, and he and the doctor left, angry and fast, spinning dirt as they left. Because they had begun to hand out papers of a proposed article they were planning to submit to the local newspaper discrediting 3ABN, we warned them not to come back.

The next day, Sabbath, we got hold of Johann by phone and he agreed to meet with us at a park and talk things out. The doctor was also invited, but he said he had said all he had to say the night before, and refused to come. We spent an hour or two with Johann, going over all of the events until then. Finally, I took him to the hotel where they were staying. We sat in the car and talked for some time. At that time he confessed to me that maybe he was wrong in supporting Linda. We had prayer and parted. The three of them left and returned to Springfield shortly after that.

Linda did not come to the board meeting on Sunday morning. She sent a letter instead. The board considered her letter carefully in light of all that had gone on, and unanimously agreed that she could no longer serve the ministry under these conditions, nor continue to serve on the board. (We have since been accused of refusing to let the doctor and Johann represent her at the board. No such request was ever made, either by voice or by pen.)

June 20, 200 First Letter from Dr Arild Abrahamsen

Rumors of Linda's so-called "affair" were flying throughout the churches and the General Conference in May of 2004, rumors which were begun by her husband. It was communicated to me that Linda was going to be fired at the Board meeting, which would occur in May, following the 3ABN camp meeting. Johann and I decided to go to the camp meeting and talk to the Board members and tell them the truth about the situation. When we walked into the 3ABN building we were surrounded by

about 10 people. One person stood directly behind me for the entire service. Walt Thompson and Nick Miller (3ABN's attorney) asked us to leave. We stayed until nearly the end of the service. (At this camp meeting an announcement was made regarding Linda. There were tearful appeals by Danny, which raised a record-breaking amount of money for 3ABN. Danny also claims that an additional two million dollars was raised the year of their divorce.) When Johann and I went to the door, once again we were followed by a small crowd of people. I spoke to Mark Finley about the situation at length in the parking lot. John Lomacang tried to stop the conversation. He said 'It is not good for you to talk to him alone.' What was he afraid of? He was standing with me when Danny drove up and said that if I returned to camp meeting I would be arrested and thrown in jail. He had already talked to the Sheriff. I decided to not return, as it was Mark Finley's suggestion to avoid the possibility of disrupting the camp meeting for all of the people attending. Linda was staying in her daughter's apartment in Springfield, so we drove there on Saturday to stay in a hotel for the weekend. During this weekend we were followed by three private investigators all the time. What kind of actions was that, for a man that REALLY wanted to save his marriage?

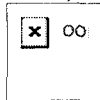


Aletheia

Posted by: Clay Dec 31 2006, 07:47 PM

QUOTE(Lee @ Dec 31 2006, 05:31 PM) □

Sorry Clay--I just couldn't help myself. I love the emoticons here and wanted to use a silly one....many apologies!!



not a problem Lee.... we're cool....



Posted by: princessdi Dec 31 2006, 08:18 PM


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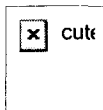
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hmmmm.... Thanks.

Posted by: inga Jan 1 2007, 02:00 AM

QUOTE(Observer @ Dec 31 2006, 02:52 PM)

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Indeed.

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In His mercy, God allowed her to be cast out so that she might be separated from the mess while she grew to greater Christian maturity during her walk through the dark valley.

For some of us, her front-porch devotional talks seemed to be a little too "sweet" at times. She seemed to be speaking from the vantage point of a media princess. Little did we know what she was dealing with behind the scenes. If we had known, her words would have had a greater impact.

When Linda ministers again, all will know that she speaks from hard experience -- that she has learned to trust when she could not see, when her path led through adversity.

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Posted by: HUGGINS130 Jan 1 2007, 05:08 AM

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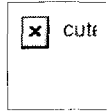
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Your regurgitation of generic information provided for business solicitation is well intentioned... but this proves nothing.

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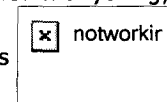
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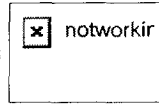
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Posted by: Observer Jan 1 2007, 04:32 PM

QUOTE(Johann @ Jan 1 2007, 02:01 PM)

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
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Posted by: Chez Jan 1 2007, 04:49 PM

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looks unhappy and indifferent. I feel sorry for this lady. I think that she didn't know what she was getting into, but now reality has set in. She is not happy. Pray for the lady. She needs it. 

Posted by: Aletheia Jan 1 2007, 05:11 PM

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When you tried to argue this you cited an article saying the exact same thing I did about that being the only change in the law, do you remember that?

That was the only reference or citation you ever gave.

AND I REPEATEDLY ASKED you to cite the 2004 law which backs up your claims, or lacking that any reference at all. Remember this from maritime?

[quote]Greg,

I am sure you know it is impossible for me to prove a negative.

I already know and posted that the change in the law was that a non-resident obtaining a uncontested divorce with another non-resident in Guam is required to now reside in guam 7 days prior to filing.

If there is some other change in the law, do us the courtesy of posting it. It is entirely possible for you to prove that, if true.

When you do so, please point out to me and others reading here, my grave legal blunder as so far I still don't know what you are talking about, or why you are repeatedly insisting that.

Thank you,
Aletheia [/quote]

You NEVER answered.

The last time I asked you was here on BSDA when you came making the same unsupported statements and i gave all the evidence to support what I was sayiny:
<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?showtopic=11834&st=60&p=164425&#entry164425>
Again you NEVER answered.

Now here you are making claims again that you do not prove.

Have you ever supplied any backup evidence or support? As that is the complaint you are now trying to makie about me, that seems like a reasonable question

If you did where's the link?

snipped more opinions...

Posted by: HUGGINS130 Jan 1 2007, 05:21 PM

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True dat, bruh... I think my work is done here...

The Mrs. should be getting close, isn't she?

Happy New Year to you and yours, T.

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
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


D. None of the above; by positing the ludicrous you're still evading the question.

Shaking the dust from my feet and moving on.

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Posted by: PrincessDrRe Jan 1 2007, 06:10 PM

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Posted by: sister Jan 1 2007, 08:59 PM

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Posted by: Aletheia Jan 1 2007, 09:26 PM

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QUOTE(sister @ Dec 26 2006, 10:47 PM)

... Often I post what I know personally, can you make the same statement?

Linda and the wearing of a wedding ring at the GC in St. Lewis, that is nothing more than a rumor that Danny Shelton started to take the heat off of his situation....

Personally, I have never heard more lies come out of a man's mouth than from Danny Shelton. The reliable source for this information: me!

Aletheia:

So is it your personal testimony that you personally heard this from Danny Shelton and you know as fact, that this is how the alleged rumor was started? IF NOT, how is it you claim to know this?

But yes I agree, you probably did think you had more important things to do...

Posted by: HUGGINS130 Jan 1 2007, 09:34 PM

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
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Posted by: seraph|m Jan 2 2007, 12:07 PM

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Nuff said, moving on, next slide. 

Posted by: LadyTenor Jan 4 2007, 03:18 PM

Alethia, an "uncontested" divorce can be effectuated with one party or both parties. A divorce is by default uncontested if the other party does not respond. On the other hand, if both parties agree to the divorce and the terms, then that is also an uncontested divorce.

For example, my husband divorced his first wife by obtaining an uncontested divorce. She abandoned him and when he asked for a divorce a year later, she agreed. He actually called her at work and told her when she would be served so that she would be ready to accept service. She actually signed the papers right there when the process server arrived.

Two months later, the divorce was final.

As another example, my brother-in-law served his wife with divorce papers and refused to respond. He even called her and told her he would be looking for a divorce. She refused to sign any papers and didn't hire an attorney. She didn't show up to court either (although she was out of state) and didn't get an attorney to appear in court in her absence.

Therefore the fact that Danny got an uncontested divorce from Linda is irrelevant to whether or not she agreed with the divorce. **ONE CAN DIVORCE ONE'S SPOUSE WITHOUT SPOUSAL CONSENT.**

And, yes, I learned this in law school and during my internship with a judge who was handling matrimonial cases and from the lawyer I worked for during law school who handled many divorce clients and for whom I handled more than one divorce client, both contested and uncontested...

Posted by: princessdi Jan 4 2007, 03:27 PM

There ya' go!

QUOTE(seraph|m @ Jan 2 2007, 10:07 AM) 

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Sent: 7. mars 2005 14:36

To: Johann Thorvaldsson

Subject: Re: Rumors

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If by divorcing and remarrying without biblical grounds brother Danny Shelton had become guilty of adultery, wouldn't you, brother Thompson, and all the other brothers and/or sisters who told him that he had the right to do it share the same guilt?

With great concern,

An SDA member

Johann, if you want to send this short letter to brother Thompson in my name, you can write my name at the end, no problem.

Blessings!

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