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BlackSDA _ 3ABN _ A Time For Action

Posted by: calvin Jul 15 2006, 07:30 PM

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have been thinking all day long (and really for months now) what I could do about this - little o'l me. I am a friend of Linda's, and have hurt for her for some time. After this letter was finally out, I wondered what I could do with it. Our campmeeting starts this next week, and I thought I would get copies of it and leave them in various hand picked places, also try to watch people's reaction. I also considered leaving them somewhere in the 3abn tent...hmmm...not cool I suppose. I know it should go to the "leaders", but it's the "little" people that need to see it. They are the ones that can make the meat under the leaders, I am afraid the leaders are too AFRAID to do anything - especially when they won't work together. No one wants to stand up. When a little person stands up, they treat you like your nuts. Hence, all my thought about what to do...

Like your thinking Calvin, I think you are on to something. I think it will take some combined effort and pressure and not letting up to really shake this up, the people deserve it - Linda deserves it too. And, with prayer, God will give us the best ideas.

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Calvin, I am very grateful for your courageous stand, and I am fully behind what you are doing. We already see the world-wide vibrations taking place as evidenced by messages from concerned people in different parts of the world.

Posted by: Daryl Fawcett Jul 15 2006, 08:26 PM

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I'd like to suggest something which would at the same time be more simple and more comprehensive. The letter from Arild, as valuable as it is to us and to those who have already been following the events, is not going to be nearly so meaningful to those who might be getting it for the first time. What I would like to suggest is to each of us print simple little cards--calling card size--which we can hand out in our churches, our campmeetings, and wherever else people gather. These would say something very simple, like for example,

Have you ever had questions about the changes that have occurred at 3ABN over the last two years? If so, BSDA is the place for you.
<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?showforum=48>
 Free access to all, with or without registration.

This idea could also be combined with Calvin's, except rather than sending the whole AA letter, one might just send a very short resume of the problem and what we see needing to be done ... but again urging the reader to come to BSDA for more reading.

Can you get churches to run something like this in their newsletters?
 Can you get conferences to run this in their conference comuniques?
 I know some that wouldn't ... I think there are some that would.)
 How about churches who have websites?
 How many of those can we get to run a short blurb for BSDA?
 Can some "take a page" from those who in past years have tucked flyers under car windshield wipers during mass meeting or who kept piles of brochures in church restrooms?

And what we also need to keep in mind is this -- that there truly are those in high places who are afraid to move on this because they fear the strength of the 3ABN supporters. Anything we can do to first of all cause those supporters to change, and secondly to communicate to conference officials that this has happened, will strengthen the hands of those who really want to cleanse the camp and disentangle the Church from 3ABN.

As for keeping on here? Well, we maybe don't need to put up the same number of posts per day, but we do need to hang around to answer questions or comments that new visitors will have.

But besides that, the story is not all told. There are more questions to ask. More answers to give. More stories to tell.

Stay tuned....

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Calvin,

It was exactly three months ago today when I made the first post in the thread "An Unauthorized History of 3ABN". The Lord impressed me that I had information to share and that BSDA was the right place and it was the right time. We have struggled twice over the closing of thread and reopening it. Both times, even though you were personally not convinced of the truth contained in all of my narratives, you still upheld my right to continue to speak freely within certain agreed upon boundaries. And it was you who approached me in regard to gathering all the 3ABN threads together in their own section, including the chapter divisions of "An Unauthorized History of 3ABN" in order to make the information more easily accessible. Personally, I believe that it was the Lord's leading. And now with the testimony of Dr. Arild Abrahamsen, you have publicly confessed that you no longer stand on the fence, but accept the truth of his witness.

Calvin, I want to personally thank you for spearheading this call for action. Like the good Samaritan, you have seen the victims lying at the side of the road—battered, bruised and bleeding—and instead of merely stopping with a look of sadness on your face and shaking your head at the iniquity of it all

and then going on—you knelt down. Not worrying about the victims blood staining your clothing, you gently began to minister to their needs—with no thought for yourself. Your actions speak loudly and I am sure that they are registered in the Lamb's Book of Life. God bless you, Calvin, for following your conviction to do what is just.

Sister

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All valid points.... in the end 3abn is a private .org and as I have said before maybe the only thing the church will do is distance itself from 3abn....

My issue from the start is that Linda was mistreated, should have been treated better... I hope she is

able to get the marital assets that she is seeking....

Posted by: September Jul 16 2006, 12:08 PM

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Posted by: PrincessDrRe Jul 16 2006, 12:13 PM

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JMO

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Posted by: watchbird Jul 17 2006, 04:44 AM

QUOTE(sonshineonme @ Jul 16 2006, 09:55 PM)

Danny will have to answer more whether he wants to or not. He started this mess. I am taking a few copies of Dr. Arild Abrahamsen's letter with me to campmeeting tomorrow. I am praying (and would like prayer) for guidance of where to leave them, and that they go to the right peoples hands. If anyone has a strong feeling about my placement of these, please write me. I really want the might hand of God to multiply my efforts as he did the loaves and fishes.

QUOTE(sister @ Jul 16 2006, 10:13 PM)

Sonshineonme, if you want God to multiply your efforts, than multiply the number of copies. Let them flood the campmeeting like the rising tide on the shoreline. The more that are available, the sooner it will become an active topic. tableta He is faithful and your efforts will bear fruit. Be bold, be strong, the Lord thy God is with Thee! You go girl!

I agree with Sister. While God can multiply the effects of even a "few" like he did the loaves and fishes on that "campmeeting" so many years ago, he can do even more the more that he has to work with. I would suggest reducing the type size so the whole thing will take as few pages as possible, and do add a line recommending BSDA and giving the url for those who desire "more information." Do at least a triple fold, perhaps a quad would be better, so they are easily carried in your purse, and will take up comparatively little space on an "exhibit" table -- and if possible, print them so that there will be an attention grabbing question on what will become the outside, top fold,

As to where to put them? The absolute best place to start is "at the top". While it could be devastating to get a "no" answer, talking with your Conference President, or if he is not available some other highly placed official, so as to let them know your concerns and the purpose of your passing out such materials and if possible to secure at least their tacit approval, is absolutely the best way to go. Every campmeeting has its flock of detractors hanging about like a cloud of mosquitos, and most every campmeeting attendee has learned to avoid them like the plague. So you want to make as sure as possible that you and your material will not be classed with them.

The next step would be to find one or more already established exhibits booths who will allow you to place your material on their table and will be willing to keep an eye on it so as to prevent those who might walk up and take the whole stack so as to merely dispose of it. Again, if you can get an official church department to do so, that would be best--perhaps family ministries or women's ministries might be willing to do so. Perhaps Polly's Place will have a booth there? If so, then it is highly likely that whoever is representing them there would be glad to have your letter on their table.

And besides these display places, of course, carry a supply with you so as to have one to offer to any whom you meet and who shows interest. If you have time you could "hang around" the ABC area where 3ABN books are on display and keep an ear out for any who look as though they might already be having questions about them.

This may be much to short notice for you to do very much along these lines, and if so, just do what you can for now, and work towards the larger goals as you can. God will bless.

Posted by: watchbird Jul 17 2006, 04:57 AM

QUOTE(sister @ Jul 15 2006, 10:51 PM)

Calvin,


It was exactly three months ago today when I made the first post in the thread "An Unauthorized History of 3ABN". The Lord impressed me that I had information to share and that BSDA was the right place and it was the right time. We have struggled twice over the closing of thread and reopening it. Both times, even though you were personally not convinced of the truth contained in all of my narratives, you still upheld my right to continue to speak freely within certain agreed upon boundaries. And it was you who approached me in regard to gathering all the 3ABN threads together in their own section, including the chapter divisions of "An Unauthorized History of 3ABN" in order to make the information more easily accessible. Personally, I believe that it was the Lord's leading. And now with the testimony of Dr. Arild Abrahamsen, you have publicly confessed that you no longer stand on the fence, but accept the truth of his witness.

Calvin, I want to personally thank you for spearheading this call for action. Like the good Samaritan, you have seen the victims lying at the side of the road—battered, bruised and bleeding—and instead of merely stopping with a look of sadness on your face and shaking your head at the iniquity of it all and then going on—you knelt down. Not worrying about the victims blood staining your clothing, you gently began to minister to their needs—with no thought for yourself. Your actions speak loudly and I am sure that they are registered in the Lamb's Book of Life. God bless you, Calvin, for following your conviction to do what is just.

Sister

I want to add my personal thanks to that of Sister's above. And I also want to personally thank you, Sister, for your sensitivity to the Lord's leading and your willingness to follow your conviction and prepare and present your very helpful narratives. They have been, IMO, the catalyst and the guiding star that has welded the various stories together as others came forward to share, and has pointed us in the directions we needed to look in order to find truth and display it for the world to see.

I do hope that you will be returning soon with new chapters in the "Unauthorized History". There are many more stories that need to be told, and the passing of time will make even more of the old stories both safe and appropriate to tell.

Thank you. Thank you.  sig.

Posted by: LadyTenor Jul 17 2006, 06:18 AM

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Posted by: icedragon Jul 17 2006, 01:57 PM

QUOTE(calvin @ Jul 15 2006, 07:30 PM)

Many have called for this a time to pray for God's intervention into 3ABN, put it in the Lords hand and let His will be done. There is a time to pray and then there is a time to act! So what are we going to do? Sit passively by and post another couple thousand messages on the subject? Anyone that reads this letter has to give pause and concern about the leadership of 3ABN, about what has been distributed as the official spin from them.

Why don't we in a grassroots effort distribute this letter to our church pastor, members, conferences, union and GC leadership; Breath of life, Amazing Facts, AR, friends, family, etc, etc. 3ABN is a private independent ministry that is not answerable to the Adventist church in any official capacity, but 3ABN needs the church to survive. We need to get the donors, and church leaders and others of influence to ask questions and seek answers from 3ABN in light of this letter, possibly call for an independent investigation.

Daryl, will MSAOL join us in this effort, Observer and others at CA will you help?

Here is my opening paragraph. Feel free to use it or any part.

Here is a letter that was first published on blacksda.com, an independent Adventist virtual online community. 3ABN has been a tremendous asset and invaluable resource in spreading the Advent message. However, this letter brings to light some unChrist-like practices of the 3ABN leadership. The management of BlackSDA is calling for 3ABN to answer these allegations and submit to an independent investigation.

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QUOTE(LadyTenor @ Jul 16 2006, 11:42 PM)

The only reason Danny can sue is for defamation of character. Yes, this is on the bar exam....

Without going into the legal details (unless anyone here wants me to), my opinion is that Danny has no case. Even if he did, he has nothing to gain from any of us here unless some of us are wealthy and have assets in our own names for him to attach a judgement to. There is always the route of an injunction...but I digress...

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QUOTE(Observer @ Jul 16 2006, 03:50 AM)

The question has been asked: "Daryl, will MSAOL join us in this effort, Observer and others at CA will you help?" The follow-up question is: How can one effect a change at 3ABN?

In my thinking, the answers fall into the following categories:

1) God will need to bring about change.

This answer suggests two possibilities. One might do nothing and simply wait for God to act. Or, one might take some action, in an attempt to cooperate with God in bringing about change.

2) Someone steps forward to use civil institutions to effect that needed change.

This could be the filing of a civil lawsuit, or of criminal charges, is cause existed for such. It could include investigations by IRS authorities, if reason for such existed. There are probably other venues and methods that could be used to e effect change.

My personal opinion as to how we can effect change is:

a) I think that we are very limited in effecting change through the SDA denomination. I do not think that the SDA denomination has much "clout" in effecting change, contrary the thinking of others.

Those with inside information can work with the IRS to do forensic audits of 3ABN's books. But that is a long-shot. It is doubtful that anything could be discovered that would result in more than additional payments of taxes and potentially fines. Such would not likely "bring down" 3ABN, if that was desired.

c) Effecting change at 3ABN might require someone like Linda (Dr. A, and there are others) file a civil action for libel. Under the right circumstances this might get things out into the open that would bring about a change in 3ABN. But, such would come at a high cost to some people, such as Linda. The possibility exists that her "ministry" would be "dead in the water," so to speak. Only she (and the others) can make the decision as to whether or not they are willing to pay that Cost.

d) Effecting change at 3ABN might require someone with in-depth personal involvement to come forward publicly. Let me give an example: Let us say that a leader at 3ABN (You may pick any person you wish.) had a sexual relationship with someone other than their marital spouse, and that this was an important issues in this discussion. That relationship might have been consensual. It might not have been consensual. But, it was a relationship. That person might need for come forward publicly. Doing so would result in paying a big price.

Folks, there may be innocent victims in this case. These "innocent victims" may not be willing to pay the price.

The above is simply my personal opinion as to what it may take to effect change at 3ABN.

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Posted by: simplysaved Jul 17 2006, 02:09 PM

QUOTE(Observer @ Jul 16 2006, 04:45 PM)

You are suggesting the same method that 3ABN has used against Linda. Is it wrong for them, and right for us? Do we want to operate on the same level that we have condemned in them?

NOTE: If you were to do such, you would clearly open yourself up to a potential civil lawsuit.

I am with you on this one and would not be Christ-like on those of us who claim to serve Him....I have said in another thread and I will reprint the post with highlights in bold:

QUOTE(simplysaved @ Jul 14 2006, 10:20 AM)

Is it being suggested that Danny Shelton may have bipolar disorder and that this is reason for his choices over the past few years?

Will Dr. Abrahamsen be willing to do an interview here at BSDA related to what is presented in the letter?

The other question that I have related to the letter posted (in segments) is will/has the doctor formally sent the letter to:

- 1. NAD**
- 2. 3ABN Board of Directors**
- 3. All persons mentioned in the letter**

I would personally like the opportunity to dialogue with him here at BSDA and hear what the feedback response has been on those outlined in the allegations after they have had ample time to receive the letter from Dr. Abrahamsen. I would also like the opportunity to place responsibility back on those who

directly know of the injustice to lead instead of what may come off as giving the responsibility to someone else or "passing the buck"---first.

Posted by: simplysaved Jul 17 2006, 02:21 PM

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Observer is a screen name for someone on a forum. msaol is most likely a typo. MSDAOL is the Maratime SDA On Line Forum, run by Daryl Fawcett, who also posts here on BSDA.

As to your list of names to be put on a petition--it is very incomplete. Perhaps you haven't read all ten chapters of The Unauthorized History of 3ABN" yet. Read the whole thing, and encourage all you know in that "major SDA center" to do likewise. our role is to collect the stories and make them available. When all are informed, then will come the time for the right persons to make the

judgements and execute the sentences. Making premature ones before all the facts are in may impede rather than facilitate the wheels of justice.

Posted by: Johann Jul 17 2006, 05:01 PM

QUOTE(calvin @ Jul 17 2006, 05:45 AM)

You ask how can BSDA or any message board effect change at 3ABN, you also believe that there is little we can do to make a difference. I think you are wrong. 50 years ago a woman refused to go to back of the bus. Black people rallied around Rosa Parks and boycotted the bus company and after several months not only did not have to go to the back of the bus, but they got Black bus drivers too, thus the civil rights movement was born. This is one example, but throughout history we have examples of one person, or a small group of people driving change.

I can only assume that you are in the do nothing/wait on the Lord camp. I am not. God uses human agent to do His work. Jesus was a man of action. I believe the Lord expects us to everything in our power to help ourselves and others. Personally, I just feel better when I know that I have done all that I can and then put it God's hands.

We don't need someone filing a law suit for tax evasion as you suggested. Regardless of Danny's hold on 3ABN, when he becomes a liability to the church, 3ABN will be cutoff. I believe there are men and women of influence with backbone, that maybe where not aware of these allegations made by Dr. A., that will ask will want to get to the bottom of this, that do believe that our church leaders and public figures should adhere to high moral and ethical standards, if not then this church is really in a sorry state of affairs.

I was talking with someone who attended the 3abn campmeeting in May. Danny repeatedly told the crowd that he is tired of responding to rumors and lies about him and his ministry. He said he is not answering anymore questions. He wants this to go away. This is all the more reason we need to get this letter out so the questions will continue to be asked....and as Watchbird suggest, get the Dr Thompson letter out too and let people decide who is lying.

Calvin, It took courage for Rosa Parks, and others like her, to step forward in a peaceful action. You are following that worthy tradition, and may the Lord use many more in peaceful actions to clean those corners needed to proclaim a Living Gospel these days. There is no sense in glorifying abuse and evil, hiding it behind a sanctimonious proclamation.

We pray for strength and courage - and for Wisdom from Above!

Posted by: inga Jul 18 2006, 06:59 PM

I was just thinking of sending a copy of Dr. Abrahamsen's letter to a friend working at the GC offices, but I **received** a copy instead!

This is what my friend shared:

"I haven't even checked the Black SDA site to see if it's made its way there yet. I do know it is making its way around the leadership of the GC though. Apparently many of the administrators who have been in Turkey for 2 weeks at the BRI's Bible Conference, received it while there. I don't know what they think."

So the message is getting out. Let us pray that it will be taken seriously.

This is Step 1. What would be helpful would be several more statements like this from other eye witnesses who are willing to be identified by name and address. Each one could be "pinned" at the top of the forum for easy reference and distribution.

I think it would also be good for several disinterested third parties to pull some information together into a statement that could be shared. Again, to be taken seriously, this needs to be from folks who are willing to attach their names and addresses to it.

Each statement sent out -- after an appropriate interval since the last one -- will build credibility. Some of the recipients of this letter have scarcely heard anything negative about Dan Shelton. They may have wondered about his re-marriage, but that's about all. They need information so that they can form an informed opinion. Dr. Abrahamsen's letter alone may seem to them to be exaggerated, and they may not know how much they should believe. (I remember it took a rather long time for some administrators on this board to get off the fence. ;-)

And, by the way, just because we know that the document is making its rounds at the GC level doesn't mean that no one else should send the document to the same folks. The more copies they receive, the more likely they'll take it seriously. To be effective, it would be good for the senders to identify themselves and tell why they believe this statement by Dr. Abrahamsen is relevant and why it should be taken seriously.

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
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QUOTE(LadyTenor @ Jul 17 2006, 08:18 AM)



'es. I agree.

Remember the "wash"..... it will come out in the wash.

As for doing this the "CHRISTianly" way - I do believe Linda being silent all this time (by GAG Order and just being "silent") and even Dr. A not saying anything for so long..... whereas Danny is still talking dirty and smack.

There is no need to continue slinging dirt if you ain't got no dirt yourself...

OW: sumptin' stankin Danny..... and it's you.

Anyone can believe what they want...but even in a soap opera on TV - it is known. IF someone is ALWAYS kicking dirt - THEY ARE DIRTY. This is not a soap opera - this is real life. Involving real people, real children, and a MINISTRY.

You can have the expressed opinion that it should be left up to GOD - yet if this was the action that was taken here on earth - many a rapist (my own), many a thief, many a murderer would go unpunished on earth and would continue to perp on other naive people. I don't want to give anyone that I have proof is dirty my hard earned \$\$\$ - others may - but I refuse to do so.

I'm down for the Time for Action! I have already forwarded the letter to approximately 15 SDA friends....and will continue to do so.....

'DR

Posted by: Hersheys99 Jul 19 2006, 11:42 AM

I sent the letter from the Dr. & the Televangelist to my mom who is going to give it to my sister

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Posted by: awesumtenor Jul 19 2006, 12:24 PM

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Posted by: simplysaved Jul 19 2006, 01:53 PM

Wrong again....

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Wow.


If you feel more comfortable "booting" the 16 year old then just say so.....



Posted by: simplysaved Jul 19 2006, 02:36 PM

I already sit on the Church Board..... 

It is how you do what you do that makes it "right" in the eyes of God...but I will use a practical example: If a person has murdered in cold blood someone else, but their Miranda Rights are not read to them, a search is done on their premises without a Search Warrant signed by a judge, their testimony is coerced, or the jury is prejudiced, they can walk off a "free man".....and never be tried for the crime.

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
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 When was the last time you sang to me?

Do you know what I want?

I want justice—oceans of it.

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That's what I want. That's all I want.


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
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.....please explain how injustice was or is being done to Danny?

Posted by: simplysaved Jul 19 2006, 03:19 PM

I will answer anyway...no I have not; as a matter of fact, there is a specific situation (presently) that God has said, I will handle this situation on my own time another way. It has been left alone.

When a woman is in a physically abusive relationship only she can press charges...Since the Gag Order will be up soon (as I understand--I may be wrong here), see what Linda is gonna do....and say. In the end, that is going to make the real difference anyway.

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


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
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


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ummmm Sarah, AFHI was dishing out rumor innuendo and slander not regarding McCoy but other ministers i.e. Stafford, and Lister to name two.... when they went there they were shut down... had they stayed only with the stuff on McCoy they would have been fine....

have the last word since you aren't gonna be wrong on this issue, but like I said, the activities in my part of the conference were not pro-McCoy and info was circulating that limited his effectiveness... In Huntsville one church was not sending its tithe to the conference and a couple of others were threatening to do the same....

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and i know many, many laypeople who did not.... and if you are aware of the past board make-up then you realize that it was a conflict of interest for them to even be involved given their relationship to McCoy.....

Posted by: PrincessDrRe Jul 19 2006, 05:25 PM

Don't do nothing; do something; "let GOD handle it"; "when the GAG order is up Linda will talk....."

Which one is it Simply?

...and if you are on the Church board (yet have not censured anyone yet) you know that eventually - you will have to censure someone. Will you step down and not partake of that part of your board duty?



If not...again - this is being hyp-o-critical....

Posted by: Clay Jul 19 2006, 05:47 PM

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Posted by: sister Jul 19 2006, 06:28 PM

I just sent the following email to the Pastor of the Santa Barbara SDA Church. Danny Shelton and 3ABN will be broadcasting a rally live from there on Sabbath, July 29.

Services:

9:30 AM Sabbath School Leonard Westphal

10:45 AM Worship Service Danny Shelton

2:00 PM 3ABN Cable Rally Danny Shelton, C. A. Murray

If any of you live in the area this might be an opportunity to talk face to face with Danny Shelton and ask **him** some questions. The address of the church is:

Santa Barbara Seventh-day Adventist Church
425 Arroyo Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93110

My email:

churchpastor@knowjesusfully.com

Dear Pastor Pete Geli,

I see that you are having a 3ABN Rally at your church on Sabbath, July 29. I would suggest that you do some research at <http://www.blacksda.com> before the meeting. There is a section in the forum for information about 3ABN, it could be of great interest for you, your church board and your members. Included are a number of articles I have written about the history of 3ABN. I am sure that you will find it quite interesting.

Sister

Posted by: Hersheys99 Jul 19 2006, 07:23 PM



Good job sister!

Posted by: Nuggie Jul 19 2006, 07:42 PM

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I strongly agree with you Nuggie!!

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Sister, I am glad you sent the e-mail. Hopefully some of the members and even the pastor will take you up on the offer to come check things out for themselves!!

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Posted by: simplysaved Jul 19 2006, 08:16 PM

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
I too have been a member for over 50 years. Have seen many scandels and other wrong doings. Davenport, David Dennis, Folkenberg. The list is a long one. There is a forum where ordinary members/constituents can get involved. Not sure of the exact website, but it's called MCA - Members for Church accountability. This is something that is needed, but without wide spread support, leaders will pay no mind.

There are many good suggestions there that could go a long way to elim. some of the traps that man invariably falls into.

Personally, I would like to see no professional workers serve at say the top two levels at the conference level for more than 2 x 2 yr terms (totla of 4) This would include the president and the secretery. Power will breed corruption every single time it seems. When a leader serves too long, there are too many people who "owe" him and that is the problem. Things get too political. I would like to see the same rules for the Union and Division and on up. Just the top 2 or 3 positions mind you. I don't think I would apply this to positions of Treasurer, on down. Maybe I'm right, and maybe I'm wrong, but this the way I see it.

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Posted by: inga Jul 19 2006, 10:25 PM

QUOTE(simplysaved @ Jul 19 2006, 03:12 PM) □

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H'mm... Would you call it "character assassination" to call someone a hypocrite, saying they bind heavy burdens on others that they would not lift a finger to carry themselves?

Would you call it "character assassination" to say that someone perverted the law of God and robbed widows?

Would you call it "character assassination" to call people snakes and vipers?

Jesus said all these things to the scribes and Pharisees, and my thought is that if He were to walk on to the 3ABN compound the way He walked in Palestine, He would say those very things again -- to Danny.

Indeed, Danny lays "heavy burdens" on others -- burdens of sacrificing for "the ministry" while he spares no expense on himself.

Indeed, Danny has robbed widows and others in various ways.

And he's done much more for which he needs to be held accountable.

It's not love that allows a person to go on to destruction in a state of self-deception.

Only God knows whether or not Danny still hears a faint version of the "still small voice." If he does, helping him to see himself as others see him is a kindness. If he doesn't, he needs to be unmasked to prevent his exercising his destructive power over more folks than he already has ...

Posted by: LadyTenor Jul 20 2006, 12:14 AM

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And what does a violation of one's civil rights have anything to do with Danny Shelton and the saga at 3ABN?? Your comments about Miranda rights, while accurate, are irrelevant...

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Posted by: beartrap Jul 20 2006, 01:24 AM

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"Nothing emboldens sin so much as mercy." William Shakespeare

There are so many Adventists coming out of the woodworks right now who not only insist on walking past the injured soul, but throwing rocks at the Samaritans, cursing them, and telling them how ungodly they are for trying to help. It is astounding how little backbone people will show when it comes to standing up for right, and calling evil by its name. Oh, they love to stand up for the Sabbath, the State of the Dead, and End time Event prophecies, yet refuse to take a stand when REAL evil stares them in the face and backs them down.

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The pharisees had no inquisition with Mary Magdalene... I guess next you'll be saying Noah fought pirates while on the ark...

In His service,
Mr. J

Posted by: awesumtenor Jul 20 2006, 07:48 AM

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
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Dead on.

was diggin up an article that I had previously wrote for two newspapers/newsletters at my respective universities. Unfortunately I couldn't find it.... Actually the thoughts of that article were made point blank by Bro J in the ^^^ post.

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
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
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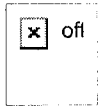
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
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
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For those employees stuck there, I empathize, but at some point they will have to make a decision about what is important to them, the money or peace of mind.....

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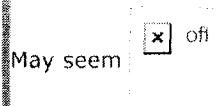


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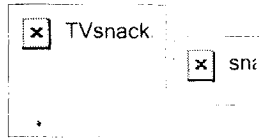
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
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You can sit on a board and later censure others - yet when given the chance to "do something about" a "major player" you choose to stand by and do nothing.

I don't care if it Danny, Lenny, or Pete - if you are wrong, you are wrong. GOD want us to let him handle things and along with that he wants us to use **SENSE**.

I restate the question - true or not?

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& that's not "character assassination" that is **TRUTH**.

People in glass house cannot throw stones - with all due respect - do you need to drop your rocks?

Posted by: Freedom Jul 20 2006, 12:37 PM

QUOTE(sister @ Jul 15 2006, 08:51 PM)

Calvin,

It was exactly three months ago today when I made the first post in the thread "An Unauthorized History of 3ABN". The Lord impressed me that I had information to share and that BSDA was the right place and it was the right time. We have struggled twice over the closing of thread and reopening it. Both times, even though you were personally not convinced of the truth contained in all of my narratives, you still upheld my right to continue to speak freely within certain agreed upon boundaries. And it was you who approached me in regard to gathering all the 3ABN threads together in their own section, including the chapter divisions of "An Unauthorized History of 3ABN" in order to make the information more easily accessible. Personally, I believe that it was the Lord's leading. And now with the testimony of Dr. Arild Abrahamsen, you have publicly confessed that you no longer stand on the fence, but accept the truth of his witness.

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Sister

In regards to post #11, I can anamiously say that some of the suggestions listed in the post are happening.

God is moving in a mighty way.

Due to the nature of the issues involved, until it becomes public, pray for God's leading in this issues that will be dealt with.

Freedom

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My position is I am not taking seriously anything that comes off sounding like the National Inquirer....the initial threads that began this IMHO did (whether or not they were true), the reactions of those that posted (some of them) were not kind or Christian. I stand by that....people were asked not to post there out of respect for those who felt the need to share....I respected that and stopped.

People do not need anyone but God to handle a situation...for those that feel that they have been wronged, you don't need IMHO BSDA or any other organization for God to handle things. But you do need to address the direct source of the decision making board. We claim to be Christians and not need the .org, but yet for those who have been given the the spiritual burden of sharing this publically they had not spiritual vision (that was presented here at BSDA) for resolving this until Calvin made a call for people to send mass e-mailings and most recently for an independent investigation. Whether or not one may feel that anything was wrong, an independent investigation is more than a fair request and will put an end to speculation. Most of all wer can move on in service for Christ.

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
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
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
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
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<http://www.sdadefend.com/MINDEX-T/Torres.pdf>


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<http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/082546207X/104-3479203-4096748?v=glance&n=283155>

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Lemmie rephrase my question so that it is totally understood....

Directed toward Simply....


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If it is not true then you do actually have a point.

Remember - remotely true - you have not a leg to stand on.

Remember - not true - you have a point.

QUOTE(PrincessDrRe @ Jul 20 2006, 02:30 PM)

It's not  because it points directly to your view of the entire Danny Shelton mess.

You can sit on a board and later censure others - yet when given the chance to "do something about" a "major player" you choose to stand by and do nothing.

I don't care if it Danny, Lenny, or Pete - if you are wrong, you are wrong. GOD want us to let him handle things and along with that he wants us to use **SENSE**.

I restate the question - true or not?

If true - then you have no point.

If not true - then you make sense....

..unless you are not answering because you know that **we know** the answer....



QUOTE(västergötland @ Jul 20 2006, 03:32 PM)

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Luk 16:30 And he said, Nay, father Abraham: but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent.

Luk 16:31 And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

For the one who does not want to believe, nothing will be convincing enough.

/Thomas

x what's sad is that when this comes out as true...and if you had the chance to "do something" and you didn't - well it's like you were "supporting" him in a sense....

QUOTE(beartrap @ Jul 20 2006, 03:34 PM)

Ok, fine. For your own sake, that might be the thing to do, but what about all of the other people

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been there.... understand loud and clear. I hear you. I HEAR YOU!

Posted by: simplysaved Jul 20 2006, 03:37 PM

That does help even more...thanks!

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Doesnt matter much though as I recomed both books, preferably read in the order they are written.

Posted by: Daryl Fawcett Jul 20 2006, 04:11 PM

Beartrap posted this somewhere:

QUOTE

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Posted by: alramwill Jul 20 2006, 04:25 PM

QUOTE(PrincessDrRe @ Jul 20 2006, 03:35 PM)

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Posted by: Clay Jul 21 2006, 06:06 PM

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Posted by: Fran Jul 22 2006, 12:00 PM

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Posted by: seeshell Jul 22 2006, 01:01 PM

Fran,

One of the people on your list is my brother-in-law...I will PM you.

Posted by: seraph|m Jul 22 2006, 06:31 PM

QUOTE

I already sit on the Church Board.....

QUOTE(PrincessDrRe @ Jul 19 2006, 04:58 PM) :

Sooo....from this you are saying that since Danny "got away" with it thus far it is okay per the "law"?

As for being on the board..... have you ever censured anybody? Don't answer that - just know that if you have you cannot possibly have this stance with this Danny Shelton mess because it would be hyp-o-critical to want to do this in your church and not want to do this to leaders who you have representing you.

16 year old women, bad boys move ovah - the SDA's are after you however if you are a

leader have a field day! You will be blindly supported to the end.....



For anyone not to simple to see it, Judas was a "church leader". One of the 12 on the board, so to speak. Thus it is simple there are plenty of folk living the life of a hypo-crite on the board of many a church.



Posted by: inga Jul 22 2006, 10:34 PM

The web address of ASI Ministries is <http://www.asiministries.org/>.

I'm guessing that the most effective strategy is for each of us to write to the representatives in our area. I intend to write to our local Canadian representative, as well as some other folks I know.

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churchpastor@knowjesusfully.com

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I hope you're right. But, the birthdates of this Thomas Shelton could make him Danny's older brother (2 yrs older) and the Thomas Shelton evidently lives around 10 miles from 3abn. Just a coincidence, I guess. I looked at the picture and could see some similarities. Hard to tell and be sure, though. People usually aren't smiling in mug shots..... unless you're Tom DeLay.

Posted by: Hersheys99 Jul 29 2006, 11:46 AM

Thomas B Shelton is not Danny's brother Tommy. I went to look to make sure & it is definitely not the same person. I have seen Tommy in person & the picture looks nothing like him. I think Tommy's middle name is Lee but not positive. But that aside I also put a search in on <http://www.familywatchdog.us/> for the name Shelton & all states & he isn't registered. I think there is a lot more to the story of why he isn't registered but I'll let someone that would actually know for sure put it out there if they choose too.

Posted by: PrincessDrRe Jul 29 2006, 12:55 PM

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Posted by: Fran Jul 29 2006, 02:21 PM

QUOTE(Lee @ Jul 29 2006, 10:07 AM)

Hello Everyone--I'm new here and this is my first post. I just wanted to say that I looked up Thomas B. Shelton on the Illinois sex offender list and there is a picture of the man. It is NOT Tommy Shelton from 3ABN. It may be a distant relative, I don't know, but it is not the pianist on 3 ABN.

Lee

Tommy lives in KY. He has a website. <http://www.tommishelton.com/>

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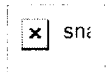
My understanding is that he lives in KY because the agreement with the parents of more than one child was that he could never live in IL again. I am sure they were paid very well for not pressing charges.

He is not a Seventh-day Adventist.

Posted by: PrincessDrRe Jul 29 2006, 02:24 PM

Well!

Umph!



Posted by: watchbird Jul 29 2006, 03:33 PM

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Excellent points. This is the real reason why it is so necessary to do exactly as Calvin has done and forbid speculation. And it is also why some here are busily working in the background to try and determine the truth or falsity of some speculative statements, since if they are true they should be

established as such, and if they cannot be determined, then they should not be talked about lest they feed upon themselves and what seems to be collaborating "evidence" turns out not to be that.....which would then tend to discredit all information that is being presented.

The questions about the Tommy Shelton listed in Illinois as a sex offender is a case in point. So it is well that some alert person caught the fact that this was not the same Tommy before someone claimed this as evidence against him.

But in view of the recent questions about both brothers, I took a look to see what has already been posted to the forum on these subjects.

The two brothers, Tommy and Kenny are both introduced to us in chapter 1 (Linda out, family in...) of An Unauthorized History of 3ABN <http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?showtopic=9762> .

But there seems to be no more discussion of either of them in the history threads until down near the end of chapter 5 where Beartrap gives a history of Kenny Shelton in post #5, <http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?s=&showtopic=9766&view=findpost&p=130344> This is followed by a few other posts that touch on the same topic.

I will also include here a few paragraphs from a personal letter I received on 10/11/2005 which adds a few details Beartrap does not give in the post above or in his comments in succeeding posts.

QUOTE

I have noticed that Kenny Shelton is showing up on 3ABN quite often now. In the late eighties Kenny left the West Frankfort SDA church and started a new one about fifteen miles away in Herrin. It became an actual church with him as the pastor. He hooked up with John and Marshall Grosboll, Ron Spear, John Osborn, and a few others. He began calling the SDA church Babylon, encouraging people to leave the church and start their own home churches using his videos, and send their tithe to him.

The IL conference president, Jim Brauer, attempted to work with him. Brauer visited Kenny's church and was physically removed. The doors were locked behind him. He also tried to visit Kenny at home, but Kenny ordered him off the property. The conference eventually sent a letter to all of Kenny's members letting them know that they had a specific amount of time to get membership in other local churches or be disfellowshipped. Kenny led an entire church out of the Church and they were disfellowshipped.

Now Kenny (Behold the Lamb Ministries) works regularly with John Grosboll and Dennis Crystal going about leading people out of Adventism and into their ultra conservative movement. As recently as this month Kenny wrote an article in Grosboll's magazine *dissing the Church*.

Perhaps others who either have additional information on Danny's various brothers, or who know where they have been discussed in other threads, could give that here as well as pointing us to the other places they have been discussed on BSDA.

Posted by: no_cults Jul 29 2006, 04:00 PM

If someone states that they believe that the Thomas Shelton who is listed as a "sex offender in Ill" (who lives within 10 miles of 3abn) IS the same person as Tommy Shelton and brother of Danny Shelton - THAT is speculation.

I simply noted that there was a person named Thomas Shelton showing up at a Sex-offender web-site and asked IF IT WAS the brother of Danny Shelton. (Believing that someone on this board might know.)

The person listed actually did fit the age of someone who could be the brother of Danny Shelton..... also approx. physical characteristics. This information along with hints that there were problems such as this with not one but TWO of the Shelton brothers made this a logical question to ask.

Evidentially.... someone on this board knows Tommy's likeness well enough and is willing to say without question that the Thomas B. Shelton living nearby 3abn is not the same person as Tommy Shelton (bro. fo Danny).

Indeed, I hope they are right. They at 3ABN have enough on their plate right now.

Whew!!!

Posted by: Lee Jul 29 2006, 04:47 PM

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Posted by: Panama_Pete Jul 29 2006, 05:34 PM

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Posted by: watchbird Jul 29 2006, 06:19 PM

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Yes, indeed. I don't know why this has continued after someone else looked at it and said this, and also after Fran gave Tommy Shelton's web page, which shows a picture of him. Here's her post with his web page url.

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