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### Posted by: calvin Aug 16 2004, 10:30 PM

Dear Calvin, I have become aware that your site published Johann Thorvaldsson's article about "The Story of Linda Shelton." Since I am mentioned in that article, I thought you might be interested in publishing a response to correct the misinformation given about my involvement. If you need to call me, my # is xxx-xxx-xxxx. Thank you. Kay Kuzma

Here is my statement:

To those who may question my involvement with 3ABN and the circumstances which led up to Linda Shelton leaving 3ABN:

Yes, I was involved in what happened at 3ABN concerning Linda however the internet article in which you read about my involvement titled "The Story of Linda Shelton" by Johann Thorvaldsson, is saturated with the writer's biased personal perceptions and has very little to do with what actually happened. I was there – I know. Rather than address each falsehood, which would be too time consuming, I will simply address the three major errors concerning me:

Here is what was printed about me: "Long before Linda's dismissal, Dr. Kay Kuzma was assigned to help Linda manage after being fired. She was also supposed to interview staff members to find a good reason to fire her, so one wonders what really is behind this upheaval?"

Here is what actually happened:

- 1) I was not brought in early in fact, I was brought in during the last six weeks after Danny and Linda had been in months of counseling with professionals with Linda still refusing to follow what the counselors suggested, i.e., unanimously the counselors told her that she would have to give up her relationship with the doctor in Norway who she was spending up to six hours each day talking with.
- 2) I was not brought in to help Linda "manage" after she was fired she was never fired. The committee I was on (and later the Board) repeatedly gave her opportunity to talk with them trying to bring resolution and restoration to both her ministry at 3ABN and her marriage. She refused at every point. There was never discussion concerning "firing" Linda when I became involved only a discussion on how to help her. There was such a concern for Linda's reputation that the entire Board was not initially notified about the situation until it became an absolute necessity to do so. I was on a small committee of two Board members, the 3ABN attorney, and myself. The small committee's discussion centered on how to save Linda for ministry. Linda talked to me one time and refused any further contact I tried to make with her.
- 3) I was NOT asked by 3ABN to interview staff concerning Linda. Linda, herself, asked me to talk with the staff. She even gave me the specific names of the people she wanted me to talk with. The results from the interviews with the employees Linda suggested weren't flattering to her. When I tried to get back with her, she refused to answer my calls.

The overwhelming error in Mr. Thorvaldsson's account of the events surrounding Linda Shelton's departure from 3ABN gives witness to the fact that his observation was from many thousands of miles away and only receiving his information from the two involved in the duplicity. Hopefully it has become apparent to you, as I pointed out the error contained in these three lines alone, that this entire article is full of misinformation. If you would like specific answers to any other point, I'll be happy to share. God is good and truth will prevail even though there are those who are trying

to stir up controversy.

I believe the most important thing to understand is that eventually the fruit of a person's decisions will become evident. Although I will not comment further about what happened to lead up to Linda's departure from 3ABN, we know that the other man had been to the States and spent time with Linda before she left Danny, and that immediately after she left Danny, the other man was with Linda. A few weeks later they spent time traveling together through Europe.

Please remember, 3ABN is not Danny or Linda's ministry – it is God's, and every day we all see incredible miracles as God is moving His ministry forward. It's been a very difficult time – as we all love Linda and recognize how much God used her in her role as co-host with Danny. God truly gifted her with the ability to write beautiful songs that have been a tremendous blessing to thousands.

Thanks for remembering 3ABN in your prayers – and thanks for not sharing Mr. Thorvaldsson's article with anyone else – since I know you don't want to be a part of spreading misinformation.

Sincerely,

Kay Kuzma

Posted by: tarduke Aug 16 2004, 11:54 PM

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Thanks Calvin. Well, as they say, the plot thickens.

I had a lot of respect for Kay Kuzma but this is just not right. If she wants to respond to Johann Thorvaldsson's "falsehoods" why not do that instead of dragging Linda down further. Did she really need to give that much about another female?

What's with giving enough information to damage the other side, offering to give more, then vowing not to "comment further"?

These shills are doing a disservice to both Danny and Linda. I just cannot believe these people, especially a counselling professional like Kay Kuzma could have Danny and Linda's best interest at heart, so I have to conclude they are all looking out for themselves and what they must be getting from all this. How could you believe in Christian reconciliation and be involved in spreading all the details of these people's problems, especially details of infidelity? Shame, shame shame Dr K.

#### Posted by: dmizzle06 Aug 17 2004, 02:41 AM

It seem like there may be more than two sides to this whole ordeal.

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 06:04 AM

If she was counseling Linda, then why is she giving particulars about what Linda's actions and responses were to her intervention? This is no different from our other thread about pastors counseling and then preaching sermons about it. Isn't that a breach of confidentiality? And I agree why is she providing more damaging info about Linda? No there is more to this... much more.....

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 06:21 AM

For the record Calvin's "site" did not post the letter. I posted the letter that was posted on another sda forum. I went to that forum to see if Kay Kuzma posted her response to them, and guess what? I did not see it there..... I will look again to verify....

I looked again and it's no where to be found.... so me being the person I am posted the response there...  $\Box$ 

### Posted by: statrei Aug 17 2004, 06:51 AM

What I want to know is why Calvin X'd out the telephone number.

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 07:27 AM

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### Posted by: calvin Aug 17 2004, 07:51 AM

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### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 08:01 AM

As a counselor she should know better... it is better to let the rumors fly and the mud hit you than reveal confidential stuff..

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 08:07 AM

In fact, it would have best if she had said nothing.....

Posted by: tarduke Aug 17 2004, 08:18 AM

# QUOTE (Kay Judeen Kuzma @ EDD)

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Yea and the dog ate my homework!

Books by Kay Kuzma (taken from Kaykuzma.org)

## **QUOTE** (kaykuzma.org)

Belonging by Nancy and Ron Rockey with Kay Kuzma. How to overcome rejection and discover the freedom of acceptance. This book will teach you ...how to get rid of the pain of your past so it won't sabotage your future. A vital recovery book for all those trying to better understand themselves.

Yea right. I wonder if Linda read that book.

# **QUOTE** (Kaykuama.org)

**Creating Love.** This book contains principles that can revolutionize your relationships and turn obnoxious people into lovable ones. These principles are not just for better parent/child relationships and marriage, but can be applied to all relationships

You sure did revolutionalize Linda and Danny's relationship! Now I am willing to order that book and mail it to Linda.

Posted by: mema Aug 17 2004, 08:29 AM

# **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 17 2004, 07:27 AM)

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You seem to know them well. I think Calvin really needs to make sure that the number stays hidden from them. Look at how they are on other topics, this would be like a buffet for them....All You Can Get Out.

### Posted by: mema Aug 17 2004, 08:32 AM

My question would be this now, since Kay alledgelly put Linda's business out there, doesn't that leave her open for suit? Because if she is a counselor, then that is a breach of confidentiality. And there is no way to take it back now. Once we get it, it is over.

Posted by: statrei Aug 17 2004, 08:34 AM

### **QUOTE** (mema @ Aug 17 2004, 09:32 AM)

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If ya'll thought Danny was mad. Just wait until Kay gets wind of what you guys really think of her. As for me "Me not speakum de English."

Posted by: awesumtenor Aug 17 2004, 08:36 AM

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It would really help if you made sure you had a clue before speaking...

In His service, Kevin Josey

Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 08:41 AM

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Posted by: mema Aug 17 2004, 08:45 AM

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After reading what everyone wrote and the letter, this is about to go nuclear. And I feel the media is going to get wind of it, nothing good will come from this.

#### Posted by: statrei Aug 17 2004, 08:46 AM

It never pays to throw mud at other people, even if they deserve it. Some always sticks on you and you have to explain it away.

Posted by: mema Aug 17 2004, 08:48 AM

## **QUOTE** (statrei @ Aug 17 2004, 08:46 AM)

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Can someone explain to me what was her purpose for telling Linda's business like that? If she thought the article contained false information, wouldn't she address those instead of focusing on the mistakes of another?

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 08:51 AM

Reminds me of the quote about teaching a pig to dance, the pig won't like it and you will get all muddy..... Clearly it seems (I cannot say for certain) that there was an effort intentional or not to make sure Danny was seen as the innocent "victim" and Linda as the "bad guy." It always makes me suspicious when a person tells on everyone but themselves.... so I would ask Danny what was he doing? What were his actions? Everybody is coming out of the woodwork saying what Linda did and didn't do..... what did Danny do?

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### **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 17 2004, 09:51 AM)

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Posted by: tarduke Aug 17 2004, 08:55 AM

### **QUOTE** (Kay Kuzma)

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## **QUOTE** (Mema)

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Mema, Kay is no fool. She probably thinks she has covered her tracks well. Notice how she distinguishes between the "professionals," "the counselors" and herself.

But the fact she was brought in after the professionals and the counselors had failed tells us she was regarded as even a more professional and a counselor than they.

## **QUOTE** (statrei)

If ya'll thought Danny was mad. Just wait until Kay gets wind of what you guys really think of her.

Yep. I can't wait. <ducking>

Posted by: mema Aug 17 2004, 08:56 AM

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Good point..I missed that one. I was focused on the one running out to tell what she did to help the situation and that she was not a part until close to the end. If we look at it on another level, didn't she say that she was on a "board" that made these decisions? Isn't that, yet again, breach ..... She is so busy talking, she better check to see if she just put herself into a lawsuit.

Posted by: tarduke Aug 17 2004, 08:59 AM

# **QUOTE** (statrei @ Aug 17 2004, 08:54 AM)

In the words of a famous American: What did Danny do and when did he do it?

You mean, "Did Kay know and when did she know!"

Posted by: wesleysimpson Aug 17 2004, 08:59 AM

# QUOTE (claborn1960 @ Aug 17 2004, 06:04 AM)

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responses were to her intervention? This is no different from our other thread about pastors counseling and then preaching sermons about it. Isn't that a breach of confidentiality? And I agree why is she providing more damaging info about Linda? No there is more to this... much more.....

This is a good point...it seems that people have to go to a counsellor with a professional license that can be removed if they want confidentiality...

We live in a climate where it is ok to spread mess told to you in confidence for any reason at all...In the final analysis if you can't keep your mouth shut tell the person who is about to talk to you to go somewhere else...

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 09:04 AM

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Posted by: mema Aug 17 2004, 09:05 AM

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For best advice given so far. Now if they would practice it, life would be so much better.

Posted by: statrei Aug 17 2004, 09:11 AM

# QUOTE (claborn1960 @ Aug 17 2004, 10:04 AM)

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Simply a sign of the power of BlackSDA.org. Frankly, the members of this board have proven that there can be true balance without partisan presuppositions. The only requirement on this board is decency and even there we are not too quick to drop the hammer. I find it interesting that the only people who are banned from posting on this forum are those who have banned themselves because they could not endure scrutiny.

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 09:12 AM

Okay it took me a moment but check this out.... Kuzma says she was "brought in." Brought by whom? Let me put it another way... in mental health (and I do have some experience there...okay I got about 18 yrs worth so I know a thing or two) it is OFTEN observed that the one being

brought to counseling is usually NOT the one who needs counseling.... Its usually the person bringing the other person who needs as much or more counseling....

Now if the 3ABN board and Danny are "bringing" people in to "counsel" how effective is that going to be? Not very, it is stacked against Linda in my opinion... so here is how I see it..... Danny thinks there is a problem. Linda does not. Danny is bringing in people to talk to Linda, oh the spin might be let's get someone to counsel us, but in reality it is for Linda.... Don't you think she knew that? What kind of outcome can you expect from that setup? Not a good one.....

Posted by: calvin Aug 17 2004, 09:18 AM

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#### Posted by: statrei Aug 17 2004, 09:20 AM

Your address does not explain why the other boards were not contacted. They have contact information as well. I know of what Steve speaks.

### Posted by: mema Aug 17 2004, 09:20 AM

The outcome will not be good because she is going to feel as if she being attacked from all ends and there lies the problem...she will either shut down or go into defense mode.

### Posted by: mema Aug 17 2004, 09:22 AM

Calvin, is the reason they contact you because they feel that they would receive a fair response here instead of another board?

Posted by: awesumtenor Aug 17 2004, 09:37 AM

## **QUOTE** (calvin @ Aug 17 2004, 11:18 AM)

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In His service, Kevin Josey

### Posted by: statrei Aug 17 2004, 09:39 AM

## **QUOTE** (awesumtenor @ Aug 17 2004, 10:37 AM)

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Never occurred to me and I hope we have not sunk that low.

Posted by: wesleysimpson Aug 17 2004, 09:44 AM

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why do they care what we think?

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 09:50 AM

Because Wesley you know as well as I do that sometimes in adventism perception is everything... thus the church quickly rushed to say that the Davidians had no association with the SDA church, and last year that brother who killed his family, the church quickly rushed to say he was not a member....

So 3ABN doesn't want anything negative to be said or spread about them... The thing with Danny and Linda though stinks... and the more that comes to light the more it stinks....

Let me go out on a limb... Even IF Linda was having an "affair" and was caught in the act (I don't know that talking on the phone for hours constitutes an affair), why wouldn't Danny emulate Hosea as opposed to the men who dragged the woman before Jesus to get her stoned to death? That's what I wan to know.....

Posted by: calvin Aug 17 2004, 09:51 AM

# QUOTE (wesleysimpson @ Aug 17 2004, 09:44 AM)

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Good point Wesley. It ain't like Black folks are donating a lot of money to 3ABN

Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 09:59 AM

But let's be honest, some of our older more conservative black members do watch (and probably contribute) 3ABN, I know my in-laws love it.... so there is a group... a remnant perhaps of black folks watching....

### Posted by: kountzer Aug 17 2004, 10:01 AM

How do you know Dr. Kuzma really sent this e mail?

DB

### Posted by: statrei Aug 17 2004, 10:03 AM

Well, Calvin can still call the number to satisfy DB's curiosity.

Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 10:06 AM

# **QUOTE** (kountzer @ Aug 17 2004, 11:01 AM)

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DB,

Because she sent the email to Calvin and not to the message board, including her number... now if she didn't send it, who would have the motivation to send something to Calvin about Kuzma that makes Linda look even worse?

Ahhhhhhh Danny? nawww... see DB, that is how conspiracy theories get started.....

Posted by: tarduke Aug 17 2004, 10:07 AM

# **QUOTE** (kountzer @ Aug 17 2004, 10:01 AM)

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Good question. I sense Calvin is a responsible businessman. I am sure he verified the phone number as Kay's and probably even made a call. Kay Kuzma is a public figure in Adventism. She has two websites, lots of phone numbers and beautiful cottages for retreats. 3ABn is the de facto publicity arm.

Darius and Mema hinted that the reason Calvin wa contacted it's because the sides feel BlackSDA is fairer. I think there might be truth to that. Everyone knows that Black folk are the last to condemn people (unless they are black).

It could be also that mischievous minds want to do a 3ABN on Calvin, but I trust in #1's

judgment. He will do his due diligence and not fall for cyber mischief.

Posted by: princessdi Aug 17 2004, 10:08 AM

## **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 17 2004, 05:27 AM)

He was afraid someone would call her... let me think.... Patrick, Harold, Kevin, Di... yep, they might call here and ask her a thing or two.....

Ya' darn tootin' I would give her a call! Just to tell her how messy she/they are! The problem with all of this is that Danny is gathering his little cheerleaders to talk about this and put little bits and pieces of information out there, plus using the 3ABN On the Road series to demonize her from the pulpit. On the other hand, from Linda you have one letter from and and another from a friend of hers. This dones not sit well with me at all. Now we got girlfriend, the counselor, betraying the trust of a counselor. Why did she have say anything "when" Linda and this man would met and how many hours they spend on the phone, etc. It's REAL messy!!!!

Ok, let me stop, because I almost said something bad!

Do they post this stuff on the other SDA sites, or just dump here?

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#### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 10:13 AM

Like I said earlier it is NOT on other sites... I belong to two of them, Darius is on the same one VOAF... there is nothing there..... I am also on Maritime SDA Online... nothing on this since 7/22.... so we are the only ones...

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Well, I wish they would keep it to themselves. Danny and his friends are a ruckus, and working more spin than politicians. This is not Godly in the least.

I'm with Steve, what did Danny do/not do? We are just getting one severely altered side of

this story.

Posted by: Jvat Aug 17 2004, 10:24 AM

# **QUOTE** (calvin @ Aug 17 2004, 07:51 AM)

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Brethren, this is not a joke. This is time for all of us SDAs to don sackcloth and ashes and pray and fast for the condition of our SDA church if 2Chron 7:14 has any merit. My word! And Kay Kuzma has made absolutely no mention about the substance abuse of Linda's son and she should have if she wanted to be fair to her representation and clarification of the issues. What a ting! as the Trinis would say!

Kay Kuzma is supposed to be a counsellor with many years experience. In fact she got her PhD in Child Development from since in the sixties. You can read about her story on her website. Surely as a church, we have strayed far from the narrow path, if Kay Kuzma's attitude as a leading figure in the denomination, is any indication to go by.

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You do not get your facts any straighter than the arrows you sling at people Jvat.

Kay Kuzma has an EDD from UCLA. It may be a technical matter but an EDD is not a PHD. She earned her doctorate in 1970.

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 10:54 AM

Well in psychology some psych degrees are awarded through the school of education and some are awarded through the school of psychology.... Usually people who get their degrees through the school of psychology, those degrees are held in higher esteem, than the ones received through the school of education....

Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 11:24 AM

Jvat..... I now know who you are..... welcome....

Posted by: mema Aug 17 2004, 11:26 AM

Being with you guys is like watch a mystery on TV. Just when you think you know the endingWHAM!
Posted by: princessdi Aug 17 2004, 11:33 AM
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I will let Jvat tell us who she is [7]
Posted by: statrei Aug 17 2004, 11:39 AM
<b>QUOTE</b> (mema @ Aug 17 2004, 12:38 PM)
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Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 11:42 AM

# **QUOTE** (statrei @ Aug 17 2004, 12:39 PM)

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### **QUOTE**

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# **QUOTE** (statrei)

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Hmmm... good detective work, Mr Sherlock Holmes and Mr Hercule Poirot. Now Nero Wolfe is on the case too...

### Posted by: Jvat Aug 17 2004, 12:19 PM

Ok, I admit Tarduke that I was not exactly accurate in my information (my memory failed me there) but I did say that information about Kay could be found on her website. The REAL

POINT that I was trying to make is that Kay has MUCH experience in her field (1970 from now is all of 30 plus years, eh?) but sometimes I guess that we may want to hold on to the little things.

Posted by: calvin Aug 17 2004, 12:29 PM

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Oh yea, I know my people. When I was president of the Houston Oakwood Alumni Chapter, I would bring groups down to raise money for student scholarships. Negros would drive up in their BMW and Benz, wearing \$600 suits and \$1,000 St John knits, jump up and down, shout amen, and put a dollar in the offering plate. Yea, we watching 3ABN, talkn't bout how good is, how blessed we are, but we ain't giving them no serious bucks.

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 02:07 PM

Calvin,

Your point is made... however there are some folks, be they few in number, who are black and who are supportive of 3ABN....

### Posted by: kountzer Aug 17 2004, 02:30 PM

Clay, this may be true, but those folks aren't on this msg board. I've made some donations to 3ABN - not enough to mention though.

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Posted by: tarduke Aug 17 2004, 02:33 PM

## **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 17 2004, 02:07 PM)

Calvin.

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I was one of the early ones to assit in pushing their petition drive in New York. That must translate into some serious bucks...eh?

By the way I just saw Danny on "3ABN Today" and --dang---the brother looks good. Is it me or does danny look younger, fresher, more prosperous since the fallout? I wonder what's behind this relaxed, confident 17-years-younger-than-I-am look.

Posted by: tarduke Aug 17 2004, 02:37 PM

# **QUOTE** (Jvat @ Aug 17 2004, 12:19 PM)

Ok, I admit Tarduke that I was not exactly accurate in my information (my memory failed me

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I accept your confession, Jvat.

Posted by: calvin Aug 17 2004, 03:33 PM

## **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 17 2004, 09:04 AM)

This is just the tip of the iceberg... and again why contact Calvin and not the other boards?

You know it could be that we/I get the attentions because of our activity here. I was checking some of the other Adventist boards, this letter has been published on some of them as well. But I noticed none of them generate nearly the amount of posts or traffic that we get here. We are also getting crossover members from these boards.

Here is a link to a comprehensive list of Adventist discussion forums, chat rooms, mailing list, etc. http://dmoz.org/Society/Religion\_and\_Spirituality/Christianity/Denominations/Seventh-day\_Adventists/Chats\_and\_Forums/

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 04:00 PM

That is a possibility, however the latest letter I posted on another forum I am on and I did not see any discussion about 3ABN on a different forum that I frequent...

Posted by: mema Aug 17 2004, 04:03 PM

Maybe they do not find it as important as we do...

### Posted by: statrei Aug 17 2004, 04:06 PM

The reason is simply that most Adventist don't wish to admit that the church is not being micromanaged by God. They still buy into the belief that this is God's company. This is why they rather not discuss any unsavory matter that comes up.

Posted by: tarduke Aug 17 2004, 04:13 PM

# **QUOTE** (statrei @ Aug 17 2004, 04:06 PM)

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You sure call it as you see it, Darius.

As the disciples would say, this is a hard saying!

...sometimes seems as if God has a non-voting seat on the board.

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 04:17 PM

#### Darius,

Are you saying, have you dared suggested that God is not in control? That God has not approved every move, every instrument purchased, every pew bought, every communion glass (be it glass or plastic) dedicated, or every camera used by 3ABN? That God has not signed with his own finger every check written by the treasurer in each church? That God has not managed and coordinated every call to a pastor (you know the ones where pastors who have been caught with their hands in the cookie jar say that the Lord has called them to work somewhere else)? You my friend are

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### Posted by: statrei Aug 17 2004, 04:23 PM

The earth is the Lord's and the fulness thereof. Not only those who are bold enough to call themselves "the remnant." God uses us as we are willing. He has certainly used the ministry of the Adventist church and its auxilliary organizations. He has also used many other institutions in the world, some of which Adventists won't go near to. I don't mind being called a heretic on this by Jvat or others. This is my father's world.

### Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 04:41 PM

Very true Darius... and God will continue to use ordinary people and .orgs that we won't go near.....

#### Posted by: ginge Aug 18 2004, 02:09 AM

Well here I am, after over a month of "lurking" in the background as a guest. I have perused all the forums about once a week and find that this one is more to my liking. Of course I DO find some of the same names showing up on a number of the forums. I don't have any profound answers to the 3ABN dilemma. I even have to admit to boycotting watching them on our satellite (at least for the time being). I also had a not too nice plan to return the book, that we recently bought about the Shelton's life with 3ABN, and cut out all the pictures of Linda and mark out all of her names since that is what they have done at the studio. But the book still sits here. That wouldn't help anything between me and the Lord and He DID say "vengence is mine". But sometimes a little bit of satisfaction on this side of heaven keeps things in perspective

So on to my reason for posting. It is early AM Wed. now here in No. Calif. and I just read the last post on Club Adventist and then checked in on Linda's website. So here is her latest http://www.lindashelton.org./letters.php

Also here is the latest from Inge, I post it because she was posted here before:

# **QUOTE** (Inge Amderson @ the other forum)

Interesting letter by Kay Kuzma -- one that confirms that she is solidly behind Danny, and all her talk of loving Linda sounds a bit hollow. She writes of concern for Linda's reputation, yet the statements published on the 3ABN web site, along with Dan's divorce and his firing of Linda broadcast the clear message that Linda had fallen into some really horrendous sin. After all, nothing short of adultery would justify such treatment, would it?

Kay writes of Linda leaving Dan, as though she were the one who initiated the separation/divorce. I happen to know that this is very misleading, therefore not true. (In fact,

even Dan Shelton's statements indicate his taking responsibility for the decision regarding his marriage. See below.) Kay's statement implies that Linda was not fired but left of her own accord. Unfortunately she forgot to consult with Dan Shelton and Walter Thompson on that, and she forgot to read the statements published on the web site which clearly indicated that it was a board decision that Linda is no longer with 3ABN. Frankly, such obvious twisting of the published facts put the rest of her statement under strong suspicion of not being exactly the truth.

Now back to Dan Shelton: Last Friday (August 13, 2004) Dan shared on the air that he had made "some of the most difficult decisions" of his life in the last several months, but he was sure that they were decisions that God wanted him to make. (My Bible says that divorce is permitted for adultery, but it says nothing about "spiritual adultery.")

Dan also shared in a separate segment that he was forced to choose between his marriage and 3ABN. I wonder who forced him to choose?

In another statement he said something about getting 3ABN back on track to fulfill its original mission. The implication appeared to be that someone no longer with 3ABN had caused it to go off track and veer from its original mission. Now that makes me wonder whether the particular things I liked about 3ABN lately is what was "off-track"? You see, I appreciated the fact that 3ABN seemed to give voice to a wider spectrum of Adventists than previously. In other words, it demonstrated some of the diversity I see in my church -- with the natural consequence that some essentially contradicted what others had shared (on non-essential issues). But that's the way it is in my church.

Now I'm thinking that 3ABN will revert to presenting a very one-sided view of Adventism -- the view of Dan Shelton and his most conservative financial supporters. ... (But I'm still puzzled how such "conservative" folks can justify divorce on grounds other than adultery.)

On the other hand, no marital break-up results from only one person's mistakes (even if Dan would like us to believe that). Among other things, that likely means that it would be best not to portray Linda as a 100% saint. She might not be able to live up to it. Dan and Linda balanced each other out nicely. Separately, I fear that neither of them will be "balanced."

May the Lord intervene in these lives that have been so much in the public eye ...

Blessings, Inge Anderson

There are some other posts on Aug. 17 on Club Adventist that are worth reading. http://www.clubadventist.com

My husband is a family counselor and I have seen how men abuse their wives with "christian" control, jealousy and power. Wives are not immune from doing the same thing, however, after years of watching Linda on 3ABN and understanding human weaknesses I am on her side. There, I said it. I have now taken a side. I know that God can't take sides because he is routing for both of them to stay with Him and to stay with each other. I don't have that priviledge, so for the time being---Linda, you have my heart and my prayers.

Posted by: tarduke Aug 18 2004, 03:20 AM

# **QUOTE** (calvin @ Aug 17 2004, 12:29 PM)

Negros would drive up in their BMW and Benz, wearing \$600 suits and \$1,000 St John knits, jump up and down, shout amen, and put a dollar in the offering plate.

What I want to know is: How did Calvin match the Beamer owner and others with the solitary

dollar bills? Was someone keeping an eye on them?

Those brothers apparently forgot the time tested technique for putting money in the plate: make a closed fist over the dollar and putting your hand as far in the plate as possible to prevent the usher/deacon from seeing your gift.

### Posted by: HUGGINS130 Aug 18 2004, 05:16 AM



### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 07:50 AM

Welcome Ginge.... thanks for that excellent post.... I knew there was more and it continues to come out.... thanks again.....

Posted by: tarduke Aug 18 2004, 07:58 AM

# **QUOTE** (PARADISE @ Aug 18 2004, 05:16 AM)

More lies from Adventism!

What does this refer to?

### Posted by: mema Aug 18 2004, 08:08 AM

I think I will stay out of this topic until we have all details out. Only because there are conflicting issues and "He say, She say". If they thought that sharing this much was going in their favor, they underestimated the intelligence of this group. We will not take what little they have shared and think it is written in stone.

I am with Claborn, time to quit showing the tip of the iceberg. Tell the whole truth because God already knows.

### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 08:48 AM

Several issues though Verette... no where is it written that because your spouse commits adultery that it is mandatory that you get a divorce. It is an option but not required. How does one commit "spiritual adultery" which seems to be Mr. Shelton's claim? If you choose to go public with information, then as I said before, tell it all, tell what you did as well as your spouse... the fact that Mr. Shelton has chosen only to tell on Linda is suspect, in my opinion... I am sure there is more... I just read the letter Linda put out, and I will post that, so there is a degree of comparison....

I am still ticked about the Kuzma thing... she is a counselor and should have known better....

### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 08:49 AM

Here is Linda's letter from her site....

A LETTER FROM LINDA:

August 18, 2004

Hello my friends,

I am overwhelmed!! Thank you so much for your cards, letters and gifts. Your love, prayers and encouragement mean more than you can possibly imagine...especially right now.

Many people have been asking "Where is Linda Shelton?" Well, she's been tucked away in the woods here in Southern Illinois nearly three months. It's been a wonderful quiet retreat where I can heal from the scars of spiritual and mental warfare. On 3ABN I've always been one to try to bring out the good things about trials...never dreaming that one day that my entire life would be pulled up from the very foundations. Truly it seems an impossibility that one can lose so much so quickly. It's not my intention that this letter result in your pity and sympathy, but it is my intention to give you, as my friend, perhaps a clearer picture of what happened. I signed a severance agreement with 3ABN. This limits me as to how detailed I can explain my story... but with God's blessing, and the unction of the Holy Spirit working on your heart, I believe I can say what needs to be said to clear up a lot of questions.

My story begins many years ago when I was only 24 years old. I was married with two small babies, Alyssa and Nathan. A literature evangelist came to my door, and after a pleasant visit she invited me to church. Three months later I was baptized as a Seventh-day Adventist Christian. These truths set me free to the highest degree and I was spiritually floating on "cloud nine." Yet Satan was angry. My family, at the time, had a twisted view of the SDA church, and additionally the family was heavily involved in politics. My choice was not, in their opinion, politically correct. The pressure on my husband and marriage resulted in a divorce. I was devastated. I lost my husband, my home and my security. I ended up living in a public housing facility which was completely contrary to the lifestyle in which I had been raised. Although this was an incredible blow, the lessons I learned during this time were priceless. I learned about what was really of the utmost importance in life. Still yet, it was a Gethsemane experience.

Time passed. Ten days after his vision to build 3ABN, Dan and I were married. It was an amazing experience to literally watch the hand of God build this network. It was an incredible privilege to be able to participate in a ministry that was ordained in the courts of heaven. But the battles still came...the evil one was angry with such an incredible evangelistic tool. One battle which literally brought me and kept me on my knees, occurred in 1995. After enjoying the custody of both of my children for many years, my children's father took me to court when my son, Nathan, was only 15 years old. Nathan was quite enamored with the newly acquired attentiveness he was getting from his father, so he wanted to live with him. I told Nathan that I could not, with a clear conscience, and would not place him in such an environment where smoking, drinking, etc. existed. We were in court for 3-1/2 days. Some questions I was asked were "Why couldn't my son play ball on Friday nights like all of the other boys his age?" And "Why couldn't my son eat meat like other young teenagers his age?" The opposing attorney was very successful making me, Nathan's Mom, look like an unbalanced religious zealot. I begged God to intervene. After I cried a barrel of tears I heard a still, small voice say "Just as Abraham placed Isaac on the altar, I want you to place Nathan on the altar." I said, "Please God, anything but that." But finally after crying another barrel of tears, with God's help I was able to place Nathan on the altar. The years that followed were much more than heart-breaking. Nathan become involved in alcohol, cigarettes, drugs, etc.. Many times I lay in bed numb and fearful that I would wake up to the news that something happened to Nathan during the night. I begged God to intervene. He did. He saved Nathan's life on not just one, but many occasions. Still yet, this was much more than a Gethsemane experience for me. In the last eight years it has not always been easy to sit on the porch and share the devotions the Lord gave me because of what was happening with my son. But somehow just speaking the Bible scriptures and making the effort to encourage someone else who was hurting always, but always strengthened me.

After 8 years of prayer the turning point came. God impressed an SDA doctor from Norway to visit 3ABN the last part of December. He said he didn't know why he was there...but he does now. I met him briefly and the conversation turned to Nathan. I explained to this doctor how Nathan had a \$20,000 plus habit last year that had left him skin and bones. The doctor asked to see him and miraculously I was able to get Nathan to see him. He invited him to Norway to treat him with IV's filled with natural remedies which would cleanse his body then build it up. Again, miraculously Nathan agreed to go. He left around the 20th of January. A friend of mine and myself joined Nathan for about 3-1/2 days the first week in February to give him support. Incredibly, there was a visible difference in Nathan after only 10 days. When I returned I regularly called this doctor for progress reports. Although February was probably the busiest month of travel for Dan and myself, on March 7, 2004 I was accused of committing spiritual adultery with this doctor, because I spoke with this near stranger to me on the phone. Later untruths were spoken by one close to me and a simple situation escalated quickly into a nightmare. Things went from bad to worse to sinister. I literally fought the dragon from March until a separation became vitally necessary around the 1st of June. In a short time my job, my marriage, my ministry, and my reputation were gone...and not in this order. There are many details...but this is my story. Let me add here that before God there was no romantic notions on my part, nor on the part of this doctor, during a time filled with accusations and condemnation.

Although this has been a real Gethsemane experience for me, folks, I still love Jesus and I feel that I am on top of the problem, rather than the problem being on top of me. I praise God for all the precious memories of the past and I look forward to a life of ministry in the future. (I told the Lord that under the circumstances with the "reputation thing" that He's going to have to open up the doors. He's told me He would.) Additionally about my precious son, Nathan still struggles with some drug use, but praise God, he's fighting it...and he's going back to Norway in September for more treatments. Folks, I just want to encourage you to stay CLOSE to Jesus. The whirlwind can come when you least expect it to knock you off your feet...and where will you land?? Now is the time to lean hard on those everlasting arms, now is the time to spend time in God's Word and now is the time to make Jesus your Best Friend! May He bless you abundantly more than you can ask or think!! My prayers are with you!!

His love & mine,

Linda Shelton

P.S. Keep checking my website for new updates at lindashelton.org

### Posted by: mema Aug 18 2004, 09:26 AM

I know I am going to get a lot of responses so finish reading before responding.

True they are in the public eye and there was an issue about some type of adultery. My thinking is this, if it involves a marriage, let them work that out. Yes, they are suppose to be an example, we all make mistakes.

Now there is always a third wheel or as most call it a "monkey wrench". I have seen what the "counselor" wrote and saw what Linda wrote. Now where is Danny Boy's side of things. I believe that he is allowing this to go on because he has a few things to hid. If we all remember how the game is played. If you make all evidence point another direction, then you will not be considered a suspect.

To the flip side of this...if she did have an affair, why. What was missing from the marriage that would make her do that. From the letter above, this is her second marriage. So she would have to

be aware of the signs that there is a problem.

I just believe that one can not throw a stone ata glass house.

Posted by: tarduke Aug 18 2004, 10:29 AM

## **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 18 2004, 08:49 AM)

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Linda Shelton

While I appreciate that Linda has to try to balance the PR equation this is just mosre of the lies, spins and misuse and abuse of Scripture to cover up---God knows what.

- 1. The only thing honest about this letter is that she insists it's her "story." And story it is.
- 2. She was not accused of "romantic notions" but of "spiritual adultery" and "adultery."
- 3. The misuse and abuse of Scripture by Linda should disturb any believer.

### **QUOTE** (Linda Shelton via claborn)

"Why couldn't my son play ball on Friday nights like all of the other boys his age?" And "Why couldn't my son eat meat like other young teenagers his age?" The opposing attorney was very successful making me, Nathan's Mom, look like an unbalanced religious zealot.

- 4. What kind of mother fights over Friday night activities and meat eating for her 15-year old child? Of course she was a fanatic! Poor kid!
- 5. She signed a severance agreement so she can't talk..what kind of trash is that?

It's about the money folks. Everyone involved in this is about the money. Everypone can talk but can't say much. Do you see the pattern?

Kay Kuzma's cottages/resorts get good free publicity on 3ABN. I didn't expect her to take Linda's side.

Linda got her millions to keep quiet--about what? Time will tell? The IRS hasn't finished with them yet.

Posted by: statrei Aug 18 2004, 10:39 AM

## **QUOTE** (mema @ Aug 18 2004, 10:26 AM)

I just believe that one can not throw a stone at a glass house.

Show me a better place to throw them.

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 10:40 AM

I am sure it is about the money, yet this could have been kept from public view if Mr. Shelton and 3ABN had announced Linda's departure in a more professional way leaving us to guess what really happened. I still maintain that Mr. Shelton had to come away looking clean so that 3ABN could keep it's conservative patrons on board.

As far as Mrs. Shelton's side is concerned, somewhere it may have been rumored that she was romantically linked to the man in question. Let's be real folks, how do you prove spiritual adultery? The inferences had to be made for something more than talking on the phone so that he could justify kicking her to the curb.....

### Posted by: statrei Aug 18 2004, 10:44 AM

Why do you guys keep on speaking as if there is anything like spiritual adultery?

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 10:49 AM

You mean there is no such animal? Hmmmmm I think Mr. Shelton was hanging his hat on the "if a man looks with lust then he has committed adultery" only in his situation it would be, " if my wife talks on the phone longer than 10 minutes to a male she is not married to, then she has committed adultery with him..." or something like that. Granted I don't know Mr. Shelton, have no idea what kind of person he is, have not walked a mile or less in his shoes....However I do know that the bible he reads says Husbands love your wives as Christ loves the church... so EVEN IF he thought divorce was the only option he could have done it in love and saved her from embarrassment.... but that's just me

### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 11:23 AM

So if is possible to commit spiritual adultery, is it also possible to commit spiritual stealing? Or spiritual coveting? How about spiritual dishonoring your parents?

### Posted by: statrei Aug 18 2004, 11:26 AM

How do all these church heavyweights who were involved in this case explain how they allowed an accusation of spiritual adultery to be pursued by a spouse?

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 11:29 AM

They do the selective criteria thing.... it may be permissible for some to do it but not others, and then they will spin it to say it is evaluated on a case by case basis....

### Posted by: tarduke Aug 18 2004, 11:31 AM

## **QUOTE** (statrei @ Aug 18 2004, 10:44 AM)

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No one around here believes there is such a beast, I gather, that's why we either use it in quotation marks (as I did) or refer to it tongue-in-cheek as Steve did. It is Danny's terminology.

### Posted by: statrei Aug 18 2004, 11:32 AM

I wonder if I need to go back and read the recent Review series about the attack on marriage to see whether they included trumped up charges of spiritual adultery as one of the recent attacks against marriage.

### Posted by: Panama\_Pete Aug 18 2004, 12:08 PM

I am responding to these points:

1. The only thing honest about this letter is that she insists it's her "story." And story it is.

#### Answer:

Linda is a songwriter and a musician. Other musicians will understand:

This is my story, This is my song, Praising my Saviour All the day long.

2. She was not accused of "romantic notions" but of "spiritual adultery" and "adultery."

### Answer:

Kay Kuzma, in her note to Calvin, has claimed that the mystery doctor and Linda toured Europe. The remark leads one's imagination to those old movies, such as "Roman Adventure" with Troy Donohue and Suzanne Pleshette, or "Roman Holiday" with Gregory Peck and Audrey Hepburn, where two actors bounce throught the European countryside and fall in love.

3. The misuse and abuse of Scripture by Linda should disturb any believer.

#### Answer:

I don't belong to the Scripture Patrol, so I can't respond to this one.

4. What kind of mother fights over Friday night activities and meat eating for her 15-year old child?

### Answer:

The opposing lawyer in Nathan's custody fight used standard, Adventist beliefs to influence the judge. The judge assigned custody to Nathan's non-adventist father as a result. Linda lost custody of Nathan. Nathan, apparently, ended up travelling some very dark roads. Hence, the apparent need for the Norwegian clinic. I'm sure Linda believes this entire, dark, medical episode could have been avoided if she had been given custody of her son when he was 15.

5. She signed a severance agreement so she can't talk..what kind of trash is that?

#### Answer:

Settlement documents often have gag orders in them.

6. Linda got her millions to keep quiet--about what? Time will tell? The IRS hasn't finished with them yet.

If she was fired, and I think she was, then any severance payment might not have been her idea. I think she would opt to avoid the humiliation, rather than accept a severance check.

Panama Pete

### Posted by: princessdi Aug 18 2004, 12:12 PM

I am glad to see both of theses posts. To Ginge I would first like to say welcome.

These posts cleared up a few more things. One in particular is that I was curious about Danny's omission, he never even mentioned Nathan. Now it is clear, Nathan is not his child. From the first time I heard that this revolved around treatment for Nathan, I was struck by Danny's distance.

### QUOTE

4. What kind of mother fights over Friday night activities and meat eating for her 15-year old child? Of course she was a fanatic! Poor kid!

Trevor, this is a common strategy in custody battles when one parent has religious affiliations and the other does not, or they don't share the same ones. She wasn't fighting over that, these are the reasons given as her being unfit to raise the child. She had to defend raising Nathan according to SDA beliefs. They were accusing her(and Danny) to be religious zealots. Her fears were obviously realized, however, God in still in control. This is something she could not do for Nathan, he has to walk this road himself.

### QUOTE

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Exactly the kind of trash we see now. With Danny and 3ABN being the only ones out there doing the talking, telling only one severely skewed side of the story. Yes, there was a monetary settlement, since it looks as if they had her over a barrel, departure from 3ABN would have also meant the termination of her own income. Danny and 3ABN held the power here. Linda should have insisted upon an agreement with both parties abiding by a "gag order". As it is they can(and have said) say whatever they want, and she can say almost nothing to defend herself.

### Posted by: pmorris68 Aug 18 2004, 12:15 PM

I think we all just need to agree that there is 3 sides to every story....

His Story
Her Story
The Truth

### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 12:22 PM

While we can agree that there are multiple "truths" in this story, the part that bothers me is Mr. Shelton's posturing. What would God have you to do in a situation like that? Where is the "Christian love?" I am sorry, I don't see Mr. Shelton taking the high road, and that is my issue. Regardless of what she did, he has a duty to take the high road. The story of Hosea is in the bible for a reason..... Just my perspective though....

### Posted by: princessdi Aug 18 2004, 12:24 PM

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I agree, Steve, this would not even be out here like this if it weren't for Danny and 3ABN Board tatics. Not Christ-like at all!

### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 12:33 PM

It is messy just messy.... and it soooooo similar to what the Jews were willing to do to kill Jesus. I mean they were willing to plot and plan, arrange to catch a woman in adultery just to trap Jesus.... The way this 3ABN thing is unfolding, don't tell me someone somewhere wasn't plotting and planning how to destroy the reputation of not only Linda but the doctor in question....

I wish Mr. Shelton would be kind enough to reappear and state his case as well as answer some burning questions. He could bring along Ms. Kuzma cause some of us (okay me) have some questions for her too....

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 03:17 PM

Trevor mentioned it as did Panama Pete, so I am wondering what role does money play in this? Why is the IRS scrutinizing (if they are) 3ABN? What questionable activity might be occurring that would even interest the IRS?

### Posted by: statrei Aug 18 2004, 03:23 PM

It is really the Illinois tax authorities wanting property taxes. Unless something new has come up, 3ABN has no IRS issues. They have been certified by the IRS as being a religious non-profit organization.

#### Posted by: awesumtenor Aug 18 2004, 03:26 PM

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Offhand, if I had to guess, I'd say 501c3 violations...there are very stringent tax and income reporting guidelines for tax exempt organizations, especially those that solicit and receive donations and there are draconian penalties for noncompliance.

If any settlement for her termination was paid from funds donated under 501c3, then 3ABN could have real issues; it's the double whammy. If they lose 501c3 status, they have to pay taxes and penalties plus the monies donated to the ministry are no longer tax deductible (ever wonder what happened to the Christian Coalition? There you go; they got hit for 501c3 violations and paid through the nose... they may still be paying)... and we know the greatest reason for charitable deductions is the tax break

And that's just at the federal level; I believe they were already in some trouble with the state of Illinois for tax related issues.

In His service, Kevin Josey

### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 05:20 PM

Thanks Kevin for that info and it could be that the financial piece is just another unrelated to the problems at 3ABN

### Posted by: mema Aug 18 2004, 05:22 PM

Well, it is safe to say that we now have a soap opera before us. We will have to wait to see how this plays out.

### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 05:25 PM

Yes it is definitely drama.... but it didn't have to be like this... this was planned... and that's the part that is scary... someone planned this mess.....

#### Posted by: HUGGINS130 Aug 18 2004, 05:44 PM

Ok I may be a little off topic of what has been discussed lately but if I am not mistaking wasn't there a report made that Linda made choices that were not in line with where the 3abn ministry was going. The problem I had with that first report was that unless Linda had renounced her faith in Jesus Christ, then and only then could I see the need to report her departure from the mission of the Gospel Ministry. I don't know all the details nor do I need to know them all, but I agree with Steve, and Di, that this is just messy. To top it off like Steve said, Adultery doesn't constitute divorce, unless there is a hardness of heart, and this spiritual adultery charge is something else. From the beginning of this whole mess, it looked to me as if the cards were being dealt, to the point where a major blow would be issued to the one standing alone. As you see Linda refused to accept certain counseling, and other things too. I agree with Steve, I think this was planned and I can't say if Linda cheated or not, but she is still calling on the name of her God, through letter, so I am happy at least to know that through her letters if nothing else, she has her faith in God.

Looking from the outside in, this seems just like another case where the Adventist elite are downtrodding the lesser in this case. I have heard of countless cases where Advent lawyers, doctors, and those in high positions have pulled this number before. Whether it was against another spouse or a lowly member of this church, this type of thing has happened before. For some reason I don't think Linda is in this just for money, but because she had no other choice but to accept her termination, she was compensated what was due her.

This whole thing has saddened me, because ya'll I am tired of lies, and I am tired of Christians acting like they don't have any common love for another. It's time that Christians act in love and abide by that principle where if sin abound grace abound more. There was nothing graceful about this from the start, and there will never be anything graceful about this situation. So messy it just makes me sick...

Posted by: HUGGINS130 Aug 18 2004, 05:51 PM

# **QUOTE** (tarduke @ Aug 18 2004, 07:58 AM)

What does this refer to?

My statement "more lies from Adventism" refer to this 3ABN nonsense. This is just pathetic, and I believe that a lot of this stuff is about the elite trying to take advantage of the common person. You don't see how they tried to make her seek certain counselors. Just like the Jehovah's witnesses, they only seek their people for counseling, they had all these Adventist people trying to work this stuff out. If problems of this magnitude were to happen again, and the situation were taken care of again, in the same manner, no good would come out of it, cause one side is going to have all the elite they need to justify their cause. In this case, Linda was outnumbered from the beginning... So what if she committed adultery, whether "spiritual" or physical, she doesn't seem like she has renounced her faith in Christ. All I can say is that just like Steve said in another post, as the Jews plotted to come up with all types of things to crucify our Saviour, this seems to be the same thing in this case with Linda... that's about it

This isn't nothing but Lies and deception through and throug. Then DANNY has the nerve to say that if this ministry is of God it will show, but if it's of the devil that will show too, that

was about the most pathetic thing he could have said at a time like this, but maybe I was the only one to notice that in his original letter to Calvin...

### Posted by: HUGGINS130 Aug 18 2004, 05:59 PM

Claborn thanks for speaking up on this issue today, things like this don't go without being noticed, and people need to realize that something of this magnitude will never stop unless dedicated church members take a stand for righteousness. I appreciate what you guys are doing here, even though I am not a baptized member, I do believe in Christ, and this is not what he stands for...

Ya'll keep making strides to do right, this church will get to the point where it need to be.

### Posted by: claborn Aug 18 2004, 08:32 PM

Paradise, I saw a sensitivity session conducted by Dr. Ben King years ago on Phil Donahue dealing with prejudice. I will never forget it. He said we should never ever allow a group of people to hurt, exclude, ostracize another human being for any reason, for we are all God's children.

I said it from the beginning, what was done and is being done to Linda Shelton is not right, period. I am not sure how far reaching our objections are, but at least we have voiced our opinion that it is not right....

### Posted by: awesumtenor Aug 19 2004, 07:34 AM

# **QUOTE** (PARADISE @ Aug 18 2004, 07:44 PM)

This whole thing has saddened me, because ya'll I am tired of lies, and I am tired of Christians acting like they don't have any common love for another.

Unfortunately, this is not the act; this is where too many professed Christians are living... the act is when they put on the mask Sabbath morning and act like they're happy to see folk they were just saying on the ride to church make them sick simply because they exist...

But that's another topic for another time...

In His service, Kevin Josey

### Posted by: claborn Aug 19 2004, 01:47 PM

Very true Kevin, which is why some can only stand to be a "good christian" on the weekends. If they had actually be a christian everyday (like they give lip service to) many more would drop out.... just my opinion though....

### Posted by: claborn Aug 20 2004, 12:27 PM

Do you think that Linda will be blamed for all the financial woes 3ABN is experiencing? I mean she was fired and usually the fired one gets all the blame....

### Posted by: mema Aug 20 2004, 12:30 PM

I wouldn't be surprised on bit if it happens.....

In their minds, they probably feel that she is sacrificing for the greater good.

Posted by: Jvat Aug 20 2004, 12:57 PM

Mema, Uh! Oh!

Posted by: mema Aug 20 2004, 12:58 PM

Could not resist that one....

Posted by: calvin Aug 20 2004, 01:11 PM

## **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 20 2004, 12:27 PM)

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I had not heard that they were having financial problems, but I am not surprised. All a non-profit has is their reputation to rely on for donations. 3ABN might not be able to survive this ordeal

### Posted by: mema Aug 20 2004, 01:15 PM

Unless they change things quickly (media and legal) the score will look like this:

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Posted by: FocusFactor Aug 20 2004, 02:34 PM

# **QUOTE** (mema @ Aug 20 2004, 01:15 PM)

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But in the big picture the score will always be:

God: infinity

Enemy: whatever paltry score he gets, which in the end will fade into insignificance

### Posted by: mema Aug 20 2004, 02:37 PM

You believe that and so do I. But from what we have seen, they do not.

#### Posted by: Jvat Aug 20 2004, 04:05 PM

And more's the pity, Mema. Is media work hazardous to growth in Christ?

#### Posted by: mema Aug 20 2004, 10:39 PM

Yes, living in a false world.

Posted by: dmizzle06 Aug 20 2004, 10:51 PM

### **QUOTE** (Jvat @ Aug 20 2004, 04:05 PM)

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Not if its primary purpose is to spread the gospel to all the world. In this, 3ABN appears to have fallen short.

#### Posted by: Fran Aug 21 2004, 02:56 AM

http://www.revenue.state.il.us/legalinformation/hearings/pt/pt04-1.pdf

This is the link to the IL Tax Lawsuit vs. 3ABN. If you read it carefully, you will find out some serious financial problems.

Posted by: Prisca Aug 21 2004, 07:02 AM

## **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 17 2004, 03:12 PM)

Okay it took me a moment but check this out.... Kuzma says she was "brought in." Brought by whom? Let me put it another way... in mental health (and I do have some experience there...okay I got about 18 yrs worth so I know a thing or two) it is OFTEN observed that the one being brought to counseling is usually NOT the one who needs counseling.... Its usually the person bringing the other person who needs as much or more counseling....

Now if the 3ABN board and Danny are "bringing" people in to "counsel" how effective is that going to be? Not very, it is stacked against Linda in my opinion... so here is how I see it..... Danny thinks there is a problem. Linda does not. Danny is bringing in people to talk to Linda, oh the spin might be let's get someone to counsel us, but in reality it is for Linda.... Don't you think she knew that? What kind of outcome can you expect from that setup? Not a good one.....

### Oh Steve,

Haven't we seen this over and over? Let me get some help for ....him or ...her. THEY need a lot of help. Why do we say this? Sometimes because the other person is the one doing the

overt action. It's not always the mover who is the problem. Well said!

Priscilla

Posted by: Prisca Aug 21 2004, 07:08 AM

## **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 20 2004, 06:27 PM)

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The blame, Steve,

Usually goes to the party that leaves the other. A spouse may take a stick and chase the partner from the home forcibly. The neighbors looking on do not see the stick...they only see one person running eratically away. My My, they cluck. Why would that person leave such a lovely home?

Priscilla

### Posted by: TedOdell Aug 21 2004, 07:45 AM

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Peace

Posted by: claborn Aug 21 2004, 08:03 AM

Well, well, well... It seems like now I can send an email or two to Dr Kuzma and share with her my feelings on the letter she shared with us....

#### Posted by: mrsljosey Aug 21 2004, 08:17 AM

Could the Dr.'s revelations, on this forum or any other, regarding the personal conversation(s) she had with Sis. Linda be seen by a review board as inappropriate? Since this is a public forum, could she be held liable for such behaviour? Just curious.

Peace

### Posted by: claborn Aug 21 2004, 09:52 AM

I felt it was inappropriate because of its content, and because it did nothing more that suggest that Mr. Shelton was the "innocent" party and everything was Linda's fault.... something I don't believe by the way....

#### Posted by: Jvat Aug 21 2004, 01:18 PM

And the plot thickens. But Brethren from my understanding, this one may be best left for God to solve because I fear that it is much more sticky and messy than we may realise. Let us just pray that they get their act together and that 3ABN learns from all its mistakes in this situation.

### Posted by: calvin Aug 21 2004, 01:32 PM

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Peace

It was I who x'ed out the phone number before I posted the message here. I felt the phone number was given to me personally. For those who questioned whether the message was from her. The email address Ted noted above was the "from" address for the message send to me.

### Posted by: claborn Aug 21 2004, 02:59 PM

Jvat.... ultimately God will sort is all out and deal with whomever according to His mercy, justice, and compassion..... It is just ashamed that people can choose to do this to other people.... and if they can do that to someone they know, what could they do with someone they don't know??

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Posted by: claborn Aug 21 2004, 04:14 PM

## **QUOTE** (sparkylyn @ Aug 21 2004, 04:12 PM)

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Yep..... I am contemplating for the moment everything I want to say, then I will wait until after Sabbath to write and send....

Posted by: Prisca Aug 21 2004, 04:18 PM

# **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 21 2004, 03:52 PM)

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My point exactly, Steve,

It seems to be a given that under certain circumstances the woman must 'obey' and of course 'stay. I received a letter from 3abn calling all supporters to rally behind the ministry. The letter asked us not to let the devil destroy the ministry. I have wondered why it was that Linda was the one given the ultimatum? I find this trend in some of the Q and A columns in the various SDA magazines. Pastor and Mrs. Oliver, Kay Kuzma and others are those giving answers. When it comes to marital problems many times the grin and bear it or submit issue comes through as a 'good' answer, when the problem may, I say may, because I don't really know. From watching the various shows where they co-hosted, there was a vast difference in their intellect and approach to life, yet there are marriages that are able to balance that out. When she took off her long dresses for church...a no no in some of the pastor's eyes and wore pant suits...I think it was around December 2003, I got the feeling that things were not going right. Sometimes we overlook the 'little things'and by the time we see, it is something really BIG!

Priscilla

Posted by: mema Aug 21 2004, 05:45 PM

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Be nice now.....we all would like to speak with her and we do not want her to block numbers

so soon....

### Posted by: claborn Aug 21 2004, 06:57 PM

I prefer to email... that way there is documentation that she responded or didn't respond...

### Posted by: ginge Aug 21 2004, 07:38 PM

I've been thinking about the repercussions on many people. There are a couple of men in particular I am thinking of.

My mother, (who passed away Feb. of this year at 93) was a devout listener of Linda and Danny. As with Inge's mother my mother also gave donations. She left a sum in her Will for them. Now I wish I had known to give it to Linda only. I also am thankful that mother is not alive to see all of this mess.

But back to the men I mentioned above. Mother bought the book "A Channel of Blessing" written by Bob Ellis and published in 2002. He traveled with the Sheltons for a few years and came to know and love them and their ministry. Bob declares that he was not a christian and a lot of his feelings about "ministries" were based on the likes of people like the Bakkers and Swagert. So when he was given the assignment to follow the Sheltons and write about their ministry he was not thrilled. Let me quote what he says in his book about them. "All theologians were suspect in my mind. To my way of thinking, their shame (Bakkers, Swagert) eroded the entire religious community, not just my personal confidence." After all those years with 3ABN he still did not become a Seventh-day Adventist, but he admired our people greatly. What must he be thinking now! How did he see Linda and Danny on a personal basis? Does he go back now to his original quote (above) that he put on the first page of their book and say, I've been duped once again?

The other man I am thinking of is Dale Smith. His story is also in the above book. He was a Pentecostal minister. I saw him interviewed by Danny and Linda one day. I still remember that interview because Danny said "we have invited Dale to be on our staff here at 3ABN, he isn't a Seventh-day Adventist yet but we are expecting him to be someday". Did that man join 3ABN and if so what are his feelings now about Danny and Linda? Will he ever become an SDA? These two incidents stick out in my mind as I think of how the devil has hurt so many innocent people by causing jealousy, power, control and yes, pride to win in the lives of people in high profile places. We place too much responsibility on leaders and then we look at them in awe. The media has helped us to adore people with charisma and beautiful voices and bodies. It takes a very humble person to not be affected by all that adoration and money. I believe that Linda was also drawn into this media hype, after all they went from very poor to owning over \$43,000,000 in assets. But I will say that as I watched her over the years and the last few months before she was terminated I saw a strong christian growth. She worked to remain humble and I don't believe what I was seeing was an act. Linda showed she really loved her Lord.

So, I'm still thinking about sending back their book. It pains me greatly to look at the pictures of Linda and Danny looking so happy and now knowing that everything in their book has been erased by Danny as non-existent.

My last question is: How can Kay Kuzma write a book about 3ABN that she has been working on for 4 years and go back and take out everything that has to do with Linda and still have any book left to publish?

#### Posted by: ginge Aug 21 2004, 07:41 PM

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Posted by: HUGGINS130 Aug 21 2004, 07:45 PM
I don't think many will have a problem with a double post
Posted by: mema Aug 21 2004, 07:50 PM
Been there, done thatmy problem is the spelling.
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Posted by: calvin Aug 21 2004, 07:52 PM
QUOTE (ginge @ Today at 7:41 pm)
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Posted by: HUGGINS130 Aug 21 2004, 07:53 PM
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Posted by: mema Aug 21 2004, 07:53 PM
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Well Calvin since ginge has arrived and you have tried to clean up that double post, something has happened because it's now happened to Focus Factor and I "Paradise" also. Check to see that you put things back Calvin because the forum on my screen keeps getting

weird messages and stuff, causing me to double post at times too..

#### Posted by: mema Aug 21 2004, 08:21 PM

I noticed that too and it is across the top when you reply. After you reply, there is gibberish writing.....

#### Posted by: calvin Aug 21 2004, 08:35 PM

last Put a mod in this evening. Testing in Test forum. I think I lot it fixed. Please

respond in test forum if these errors continue to occur for anyone.

#### Posted by: HUGGINS130 Aug 21 2004, 08:49 PM

Got it fixed is what Calvin meant. Here in Atlanta in the fulton county board of education it was a requirement to graduate after a certain time that we learn typing or else... Oh how times have changed since the days of our elder brothers and sisters who only had pen and pad...

It's fine now Calvin, I just thought I'd get to you before Harold K.City get ya...

#### Posted by: mema Aug 21 2004, 08:59 PM

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Back to the topic at hand....

She can not. What she will probably do is retitle the book and make some changes in it. This is too great of an opportunity for her to not make a buck off of this.

#### Posted by: freesurfer Aug 21 2004, 09:06 PM

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#### Posted by: mema Aug 21 2004, 09:07 PM

If you have a mouth and someone is listening, the world is your oyster...

Posted by: Jvat Aug 21 2004, 10:34 PM

### **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 21 2004, 02:59 PM)

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Steve, just goes to show how sticky, messy and gummy, the situation is and has become that a ministry that was established to heal broken people, now has persons associated with it, trashing others. Instead of fighting our common enemy, the fighting has turned on one another. Lord have mercy! How did it get to this? Let us keep praying, folks!

Posted by: claborn Aug 21 2004, 11:50 PM

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That is interesting Freesurfer.... thanks for that tidbit of info... it confirms that some of this was brewing for some time.... still messy......

#### Posted by: mema Aug 22 2004, 10:22 AM

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Posted by: Denny Aug 23 2004, 06:40 AM

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#### Posted by: claborn Aug 23 2004, 06:41 AM

Trevor,

Seems like a song is appropriate "if I could turn back the hands of time..." Linda has been summarily fired and divorced (for "spiritual adultery as you recall), so her going back would kinda be like The Sonny and Cher Show after Sonny and Cher were divorced... it just wasn't the same....

Posted by: Jvat Aug 23 2004, 07:26 AM

# **QUOTE** (denny26uk @ Aug 23 2004, 06:40 AM)

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Indeed! Denny26UK.

Posted by: princessdi Aug 23 2004, 08:20 AM

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Now, Verette, Girl, that is exactly what I stopped short of suggesting after reading the good Dr.'s post.  $\frac{1}{2}$ 

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 23 2004, 08:24 AM

Like I said before... most folks tell on other people but rarely tell on themselves.... so Danny may have projected on Linda what he himself was wrestling with....

Posted by: mrsljosey Aug 23 2004, 08:57 AM

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Tru dat... it's interesting that we've experienced a bit of that on and off line. Scary. Peace Posted by: mema Aug 23 2004, 08:59 AM And this too shall pass.... we hope. Posted by: claborn Aug 23 2004, 12:15 PM Eventually, but everyone will be splattered with mud..... Posted by: mema Aug 23 2004, 12:35 PM All I can say is as their brother and sister in Christ, we better bring them a towel and soap.... Did you send the email yet? Posted by: tarduke Aug 23 2004, 12:38 PM **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 23 2004, 12:15 PM) Eventually, but everyone will be splattered with mud..... Lol. Mud everywhere... Posted by: mema Aug 23 2004, 12:48 PM in the From them trying to get away. Posted by: claborn Aug 23 2004, 12:56 PM I did send the email.... I will PM it to you.... Posted by: princessdi Aug 23 2004, 12:58 PM

Me, too, please!

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#### Posted by: claborn Aug 23 2004, 12:59 PM

Its done Di....

#### Posted by: mema Aug 23 2004, 01:05 PM

Nicely done I might say. Now do you think she will respond? Do you think that they will cease to send Calvin correspondence pertaining to this issue?

Come back next week to hear the amazing answers. Same 3ABN...same BSDA. Batman theme song

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 23 2004, 01:07 PM

I have no idea... I did what I thought I needed to do.....so she may or may not, but she knows what I think about her response....

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 23 2004, 01:41 PM

I reread my email to Dr. Kuzma and I did say I was going to share the letter.... so here is what I wrote.....

Dear Dr. Kuzma,

I have read your response to the members that frequent BlackSDA regarding the recent happenings at 3ABN. While I can only assume your intentions were noble, your response appeared to suggest Mr. Shelton was the "innocent victim" while Linda Shelton was completely at fault. I question the wisdom of you sharing the particulars in this situation given your vocation as a counselor. From your response it appears that you were not counseling Linda, and if that is the case then confidentiality would not be an issue, however as a fellow christian it would seem that you would have erred on the side of caution and not shared what your perceptions were. One could conclude from your response that Linda was deeply involved in an illicit relationship that she refused to end.

As a counselor you know that people who are forced into counseling are usually resistant to counseling. You are probably also aware that the person who is taken to a counselor is usually not the one who needs counseling, that it may be the whole family who is in need. I seriously question your motives for making your response public and indirectly supporting Mr. Shelton in this situation. No one has shared what Mr. Shelton did, or what his actions were though all this, and the onesidedness of the reports is inherently unfair. I am disappointed that you would add fuel to the fires of speculation and in essence accuse Mrs. Shelton of something she has repeatedly denied.

I do not expect a response because you don't have to justify your actions to me. I will be sharing my email with those members of BlackSDA just to let them know that I think your actions were not appropriate, highly questionable, and added nothing constructive to this mess. As a Christian I think God would have us take the higher road, and because you have had years of counseling it seems that you would have known better.....

Sincerely,

Steve Claborn

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#### Posted by: Jvat Aug 23 2004, 03:55 PM

Well, I did say that it was a sticky, messy and gummy situation. Looks like the fat has hit the fan. Maybe the GC's directive has been so given because of the unusually quick divorce under unusual circumstances? Has the GC handled the matter compassionately themselves, Steve, do you think?

And I wonder whether any of this is true about the GC, anyway?

Posted by: princessdi Aug 23 2004, 04:49 PM

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It means exactly what we suspect, Something ain't right with Danny and 3ABN. Linda is only being made look like the problem, but she is gone, and their problem continue!

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 23 2004, 05:03 PM

Jvat,

No I don't think the GC will handle it compassionately, they will handle it in such a way to protect their flanks and make sure the church is seen in a positive light. I think it is always a possibility with an independent sda ministry that something could happen that embarrasses the "official" Church. So the easiest thing to do is to distance the church from 3ABN which is what is happening...

Posted by: tarduke Aug 23 2004, 05:08 PM

### **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 23 2004, 01:41 PM)

 $[{\tt color=blue}] I \ {\tt reread \ my \ email \ to \ Dr. \ Kuzma \ and \ I \ did \ say \ I \ was \ going \ to \ share \ the \ letter.... \ so \ here \ is \ what \ I \ wrote.....$ 

Very well written letter. Good balance between respect and straight talk.

Posted by: claborn Aug 23 2004, 05:36 PM

# **QUOTE** (tarduke @ Aug 23 2004, 06:08 PM)

Very well written letter. Good balance between respect and straight talk.

Thanks Trevor.... just covering the basics and expressing disappointment in the way things were handled......

#### Posted by: mema Aug 24 2004, 08:22 AM

Get this guys, my friend emailed a letter that she got from 3ABN. I will send a copy for all to read.....but the funny things that I love are the following:

- 1. They addressed all that we have spoken about
- 2. Speak about the changes to come and.....
- 3. Please send a donation to further their cause...

You gotta love how things work out.

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 24 2004, 12:13 PM

To show I post everything I find, good or bad... here is a follow-up to something I posted (found on ClubAdventist) earlier...The following is something else I found on ClubAdventist related to the alleged directive.

"I contacted NAD and here is their answer:

If this has been "a GC directive sent to NAD, Unions, and Conferences," it's news to me, and I open all the mail my boss - NAD Communication Director - receives. I will check out the story, but have serious doubts as to its veracity. There could be a lot of reasons for all the re-runs! Regular television does reruns during the summer every year!

Blessings,

Lynetta Murdoch Secretary to Kermit Netteburg Office of Communication North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists www.nadadventist.org " (this is in response to the alleged directive to distance themselves from 3ABN)

#### Posted by: ginge Aug 24 2004, 03:46 PM

#### Claborn said:

"To show I post everything I find, good or bad... here is a follow-up to something I posted earlier..."

#### My comment:

I believe that Fran was the originator of the first post concerning NAD and it was posted on Club Adventist.

Claborn then continued in the same vein using his blue font.

"I contacted NAD and here is their answer:"

#### My comment:

Now, I don't believe that you meant to mislead but since you know that I post here, besides on Club Adventist, as do a number of people here on this forum, I would have thought you would have identified me as the person that did the foot (finger) work and contacted NAD and then posted it on Club Adventist in response to Fran's comment.

I am sure when Fran does a lot of research and posts it that she appreciates the courtesy of recognizing her for having done the hard work for the rest of us.

Let's be careful how we use each other's posts.



#### Posted by: claborn Aug 24 2004, 03:49 PM

Not a problem... I just copied everything from that thread over there and posted it here.... if anyone ever asks... I usually point them to where I have been snooping around..... I could have included the line here is what I found or here is what someone posted over there..... in fact, if it will put you at ease, I will edit it accordingly......without a copywrite seal and posting it on the web, does she get credit is the question. I thought it was the sda way to use material from where ever and not worry about citing where the info was ummmmm borrowed....

just messing..... 「

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 24 2004, 03:59 PM

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Well if you had posted your findings here, it would have saved me the trouble of going back over there, seeing what you posted, copied it, brought it back here and posted it... so.... it's your

fault that's my story and I will stick with it thank you
Posted by: princessdi Aug 24 2004, 04:51 PM
Just a quick question. this topic says it's "pinned". Y'all know I can be a little slow. what
does this mean?
Posted by: claborn Aug 24 2004, 04:56 PM
It means it is stuck in the space its in for the moment that it won't drop down the list of threads like threads usually do that's okay Di we know ya old
Posted by: ginge Aug 24 2004, 11:24 PM
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Could be I got a "little" sensitive. With quotes flying from post to post and forum to forum it gets rather sticky. Which is why I was thinking that identifying where and whom did the posting would put it in more perspective and keep the information more centered rather than becoming rumors and heresays. Just my meager little thought.
"I thought it was the sda way to use material from where ever and not worry about citing where the info was ummmmm borrowed"
But I'm not Ellen did I say that?
Posted by: tarduke Aug 25 2004, 06:16 AM

# QUOTE (Walter Thompson @ 3ABn Chair)

Dear 3ABN Family:

You may have heard by now of changes that have recently happened at Three Angels Broadcasting Network. We believe we owe you, as a loyal supporter of this ministry, an accounting of recent events regarding the former Vice President of 3ABN.

Out of respect for the privacy of those involved, we cannot reveal all details. But after prayer and reflection, we are convicted that we should share with you what we responsibly can.

You may have noticed that Linda Shelton has not appeared on 3ABN telecasts for the last few weeks. That is because as of June 1, 2004, the 3ABN Board of Directors removed Linda from her role as Vice President and as a board member. More recently, she has been discontinued as an employee of 3ABN as well.

We want to assure you that this decision was not made by one or two people, nor was it made

in one or two weeks. Rather, the situation developed over nearly five months, and was dealt with by the full 3ABN leadership, including its Board of Directors.

The issue relates to a matter that arose in Danny and Linda Shelton's marriage. They were not able to resolve the matter, despite many attempts with their local pastor and other counselors. It was then brought to my attention as Chairman of the Board.

In order to make a thorough, fair and independent review of the matter, I convened a fact-finding committee of well-known Adventists who are not employees of 3ABN. The committee consisted of myself; William Hulsey, a businessman and mayor of Collegedale, Tennessee; and Kay Kuzma, author and family issues expert. We were counseled in our deliberations and review by Nicholas Miller, an Adventist attorney associated with a major national law firm.

The committee members spoke with all relevant witnesses. It invited Linda to meet with the full committee and to present any witnesses she might wish to have speak on her behalf. Upon reviewing the situation, it was clear to the 3ABN leadership that the source of the conflict lay in certain choices that Linda was making. We asked her, both verbally and in writing, to make different choices. She refused.

Under the circumstances, the board had no real choice but to take the actions it did in regards to Linda's position at 3ABN. Should Linda reconsider her course of conduct, we would also reconsider our decision regarding her role at 3ABN.

Please pray for Linda, for Danny, and for the 3ABN ministry during this time. We believe in a God of miracles, who can renew and restore. This ministry was started and built through a series of miracles. Those miracles continue to this day, and we believe that many more are yet to come.

We believe that this ministry will continue to move forward, taking its direction from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is His ministry, and not that of any man or woman. The Board of Directors, President Danny Shelton, and I as Chairman, are committed to doing His will with this organization.

Please join us in supporting 3ABN with your prayers and financial support. We know you have done so in the past, and we are deeply thankful for it. But right now the devil is doing his best to derail this work because we are pressing the front close to his strongholds.

This month we added a quarter of a billion potential viewers in India, as our signal is being placed on cable systems through much of this Hindu nation of 1.1 billion souls. This effectively doubles the viewership of 3ABN, virtually overnight. We are also being placed on the mostwatched cable-network in the Washington D.C. area, giving us access to the political and thought leaders of our country.

Please don't let the devil succeed in heading off the vital work of 3ABN at this crucial time. You have faithfully supported this ministry in the past. Show us your continued resolve and support by making a faith pledge or donation to support us during this tremendous expansion of our coverage.

Your efforts and support are the medium through which God allows 3ABN to carry its gospel message to the world. We thank God and you for that support.

In His Service, Dr. Walter Thompson, Chairman Three Angels Broadcasting Network, Inc.

P.S. I came across a quote recently that highlighted the importance of 3ABN's resolve to "Go ye into all the world": "The Duke of Wellington was once present where a party of Christian men were discussing the possibility of success in missionary effort among the heathen. They appealed to the Duke to say whether in his judgment such efforts were likely to prove a success commensurate to the cost. The old soldier replied: 'Gentlemen, what are your marching orders? Success is not the question for you to discuss. If I read your orders aright, they run thus, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Gentlemen, obey your marching orders." Gospel Workers, p. 115.

Join us in helping Three Angels Broadcasting Network carry out its marching orders!

Posted July 1, 2004.

Posted by: claborn Aug 25 2004, 10:30 AM

## **QUOTE** (ginge @ Aug 25 2004, 12:24 AM)

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But I'm not Ellen oo did I say that?

No harm... when I find stuff in the future I will add where I got it and who posted it.... that should handle the problem I think.....

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 25 2004, 11:17 AM

I lifted (took, copied, borrowed) this from ClubAdventst posted by LLL (no I don't know why they person has a nickname of LLL):

Subj: 3ABN Update Adventist Today

Posted: 8/24/2004 2:01:49 PM Pacific Daylight Time

By Edwin A. Schwisow

Linda Shelton Fired and Divorced

In June of this year, the board of the Three Angels Broadcasting (3ABN)satellite network voted to dismiss Danny Shelton's now-ex-wife, Linda, from her position as vice president and on-air hostess. The dismissal came just days before the couple's divorce became final in early July-an uncontested divorce filed in Guam by Danny Shelton, naming Linda as respondent,according to divorce papers obtained by Adventist Today.

Linda's dismissal was followed immediately by an official release by 3ABN's board chairman, Walter Thompson, to the effect that Linda Shelton had chosen to go a "different direction" from her husband and 3ABN. The release also said that the decision to terminate had come after considerable study and with the assistance of counselors and face-to-face dialogue among the parties. Concurrent with the announcement, staff removed all photographs and references to Linda Shelton from 3ABN's Web site and struck all programs on which she appears from the station's play lists.

The reasons for Linda's removal are disputed. Sources close to Linda characterize her removal as

a coup-in-the-works for several months leading up to the June announcement. But sources close to 3ABN insist the ministry leadership did everything possible to save the Shelton marriage and to retain Linda as a leader in the ministry.

What all sides appear to agree on is that the dismissal was related Linda's involvement with a physician who was treating her adult son, Nathan (by a previous marriage), who reportedly had developed serious drug- and alcohol-dependency problems. The therapy routine, administered by

Norwegian Seventh-day Adventist physician and financial supporter of 3ABN, reportedly achieved outstanding early results, though Linda's latest communication indicates her son still struggles with addiction.

According to Linda Shelton, in a release posted July 11 on her Web site, rumors that she had engaged in inappropriately intimate activities with her son's therapist began to circulate at 3ABN, leading in large part to her ouster. She vigorously and consistently denies any improper behavior or relationship with the doctor. She specifically denies committing adultery and attributes her fall to the proliferation of false information about her.

At about the same time Linda was ousted, Johann Thorvaldson, director of 3ABN development in Europe, was removed from his post. He has become an advocate for Linda Shelton.

Linda Shelton's dismissal took viewers across the nation by complete surprise. Danny Shelton has acknowledged to viewers the couple was undergoing marriage counseling in months leading up to their sudden divorce.

The Linda-and-Danny team had appeared together for nearly 20 years on 3ABN programs, portraying the kind of down-home, simple, Bible-based, devout Christian living they urged their viewers to adopt. That such an apparently

devoted Christian couple could divorce so precipitously shocked the 3ABN world.

In an off-the-record interview, the manager of a 3ABN affiliate told Adventist Today that Linda Shelton's removal could benefit 3ABN ministry long-term. This source indicates that 3ABN has been undergoing troubled times, including a historic loss of revenue in 2003, and that a shake-up at this time could be a new beginning for the maturing ministry. In a mass mailing to all financial supporters, 3ABN has also reflected the view that

Linda Shelton's termination represents a time of opportunity. On the other hand, this kind of event is bound to be unsettling for the friends of the ministry.

Linda Shelton herself sees a potential personal benefit from her termination. Noting on her new Web site that she had become institutionally sheltered by her many years of work at 3ABN, she says she welcomes the opportunity to get out on her own once again, mixing it up in the real world. She continues to portray herself as supportive of 3ABN's grand vision but conveys a sense of relief at severing ties.

Sources close to Linda Shelton indicate that she is now living in a modest dwelling near 3ABN headquarters in Illinois and that her sources of income include royalties from the sale of music she has written and performed and

monthly termination payments. They also say that she has agreed not to comment publicly in ways that could be construed as attacks on her former husband and ministry and has asked her friends to foreswear any such attacks or attempts to vindicate her.

#### Posted by: princessdi Aug 25 2004, 11:42 AM

A quickie divorce in Guam? This is a mess!!! Make that Danny is a mess!!!!

#### Posted by: pmorris68 Aug 25 2004, 12:01 PM

Now you know what... We have all said this is a mess. And a mess it is. I think we just need to commit this to prayer and comment no further. Nothing more can really be said, that ain't already

been said. 💌 no.gif

#### Posted by: mema Aug 25 2004, 01:30 PM

All I am going to say is that I feel this isn't the end of it yet. For some reason, I feel that a larger explosion is about to happen and even more names are coming out. Now why did the director of Europe get terminated? Because he is her friend? Does anyone else find this odd?

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As odd as them picking BlackSDA forum to stage their defense.

Posted by: Jvat Aug 25 2004, 02:00 PM

# **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 25 2004, 11:17 AM)

They also say that she has agreed not to comment publicly in ways that could be construed as attacks on her former husband and ministry and has asked her friends to foreswear any such attacks or attempts to vindicate her.

Isn't it rather interesting that Linda has adopted that position? Speaks volumes of her integrity or not?

#### Posted by: statrei Aug 25 2004, 02:04 PM

Well, let's not say too much about anyone's integrity. The facts we can know. What motivates those facts we most probably cannot. A lot of people do the correct things for the wrong reasons.

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 25 2004, 06:35 PM

Very true and I heard somewhere that she was under a gag order..... I don't know if that is true, so its allegedly.....

Posted by: eener Aug 25 2004, 10:01 PM

### **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 25 2004, 06:35 PM)

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The original post indicated that she was receiving termination payments. It is not uncommon under the terms of a termination agreement for parties to agree not to discuss the issues surrounding the dismissal as a condition for receiving the payments.

#### Posted by: mema Aug 26 2004, 07:38 AM

But when your spouse does you like we suspect Danny did to her, why be quiet? I would be like the Mississippi River and holding nothing back.....

Posted by: princessdi Aug 26 2004, 09:47 AM

# **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 25 2004, 04:35 PM)

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Actually, Steve, Linda mentioned that in her letter.

Posted by: princessdi Aug 26 2004, 09:51 AM

# **QUOTE** (mema @ Aug 26 2004, 05:38 AM)

But when your spouse does you like we suspect Danny did to her, why be quiet? I would be like the Mississippi River and holding nothing back.....

Mema, she likes to eat. By firing her, they took her only source of income. Instead of paying her in one lump sum, they pay her in installments, forcing her to agree to the gag order as a condidtion to continue to recieve the monthly payments. So unless Linda has another source of income......?

#### Posted by: friends Aug 26 2004, 05:58 PM

Hi Guys,

Just wanted to clear clear up a couple of small points. Elder Thorvaldsen mentioned in the letter that was posted here that Danny's son-in-law was fired. That was a misunderstanding. Actually I was not fired, I resigned. There was one other small misunderstanding. It was not Danny, who told me that "we musn't question Danny because God speaks to us through him since he was appointed by God to start up this ministry." It was someone else.

I would like to point out that, although an awful lot of manure has been slung in this scrap, there are many very good people on both sides of it. Unfortunately details, a few true and many not true, are being spread through very reputable upstanding sources. People on both sides of the

issue are being smeared, and reputations destoyed for no better reason than vindictiveness. When Jesus saved a woman from being stoned to death on allegations of adultery, he proceeded to write sins in the sand without saying who had committed them. He was not out to hurt or destroy anyone. He stood on a hill and cried for love of the people who were about to kill him. That is LOVE. Love is one of the fruits of the spirit, and by their fruits ye shall know them.

I beg your prayers for each one of us involved in this upheaval.

Sincerely,

Derrell Mundall

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 26 2004, 06:09 PM

Thank you for that piece of information..... we have from the beginning prayed for everyone involved.... however I have been concerned about how information has been leaked, released, given..... some of it appears unfair and malicious... but that's just me

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 26 2004, 06:20 PM

Why did you resign if I might ask Derrell?

#### Posted by: friends Aug 26 2004, 06:39 PM

Your observations are certainly appreciated. I have sent some of them to Linda. She will be encouraged. At this juncture it is difficult for her not to think that she is virtually friendless in the SDA circles. So many friends have turned out to be coat-tail riders who turned on her when she became useless to their careers, or ambitions, and trashing her would serve them better.

On a more positive note, this is a healing period and Linda is starting to move forward with life. She possesses a wealth of knowledge and capabilities that I am sure God will put to use in ministry. I believe that this experience will give her an even greater capacity to understand, and minister to hurting people.

God Bless,

Derrell

#### Posted by: friends Aug 26 2004, 06:51 PM

Danny and I were unable to see eye-to-eye on some very fundamental issues, and if I stayed, I would have to disobey my employer's orders, so I resigned. The issues have, of course been brought up, but I will not discuss them. Whatever Linda wishes to say is on her website, and Danny's observations can be seen on 3ABN.

Derrell

#### Posted by: mrsljosey Aug 26 2004, 07:21 PM

# **QUOTE** (princessdi @ Aug 26 2004, 09:51 AM)

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of income?
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Not everybody would spill everything just because they are under a gag order or because they are experiencing character assassination on a grand scale. Agreeing to the gag order is simply the right thing to do. But I doubt that would have attacked her accusers as they have her with or without that legal manuever. Which btw, would be one thing her accusers would prefer. Her relative silence, as compared to those who have accused her, speaks volumes about her spiritual integrity and especially theirs. But hey, that's just me
Posted by: HUGGINS130 Aug 26 2004, 11:05 PM
<b>QUOTE</b> (mrsljosey @ Aug 26 2004, 07:21 PM)
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I was thinking along the same lines too, and I couldn't agree with you more!
Posted by: kountzer Aug 27 2004, 04:29 AM
Sounds like a classic case of 'the enemy of my enemy is my friend'.
DB
Posted by: HUGGINS130 Aug 27 2004, 05:06 AM
<b>QUOTE</b> (kountzer @ Aug 27 2004, 04:29 AM)
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<b>▼</b> blc

Posted by: mrsljosey Aug 27 2004, 06:22 AM

### **QUOTE** (kountzer @ Aug 27 2004, 04:29 AM)

Sounds like a classic case of 'the enemy of my enemy is my friend'.

DB

DB, we see that often enough in various circles.

What concerns me regarding matters like these is this. There seem to be so few people, even in our church community who will not simply say to those making the accusations that such behaviour is wrong. To make matters worse, they seem to be unwilling to even comfort a member of the same community who has been slandered due to these accusations. Why is that the case? It seems to me that some fear it may hurt them personally, whether financially or socially, to help another in distress or who may be hurting.

What does that suggest to others, to our young people for example? They see what is going on and also see that their parents, grandparents won't do the right thing. And what of unbelievers who see the unwillingness of those in the church community to even give emotional support to their own? Why should they desire to be a part of that community? What happened to Jesus command to love one another? What of laying ones life down for a friend? It all makes me wonder.

Posted by: princessdi Aug 27 2004, 10:44 AM

# **QUOTE** (mrsljosey @ Aug 26 2004, 05:21 PM)

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No, No, Don't get me wrong. What I am saying is that they forced her into this situation. I definitely don't see this as her collecting a "fat check" for her silence. She was undermined here. They keep her to a forced gag order so that their story can be the only side told. This whole mess would not be like this if it weren't for the actions of Danny and the 3ABN board. They used that fact that she would need some form of livelihood to keep her quiet. I don't blame her at all, nor do I believe she was seeking anything other than was fairly due to her.

I believe, also, that even if there was no gag order that Linda has more integrity than to attack Danny and his friends in the manner in which she has been attacked. Whatever she did, or didn't do, in this aftermath, Linda is definitely a victim.

Now, to say just one more thing. You know I don't mind discussing anything. But can somebody please explain to me how Black SDA inherited all of this. I believe, Now I may be wrong, that it has been shown that it is not being played out in any other forum like it is here.

#### Posted by: Telluride Aug 27 2004, 01:57 PM

This is awful! I started watching 3ABN because of Linda Shelton and then learned the Adventist teachings...I am not a member of SDA nor have I had any family or friends who are Adventists (aside from a young woman 30+ years ago in high school who I asked if she was a vegetarian. I became a vegetarian later on my own path.) I have studied many religious denominations, theologies, spiritual paths etc. I am a Methodist originally from the Midwest USA.

Let me get this straight: Linda is concerned about her son Nathan's drug addiction, so she gets help from a Norweigan doctor. Ok, are there no doctors in the USA that are qualified to help? Just posing a question to assuage Danny's side in fair play logic. (I am trying not to be biased to Linda's side as I already hold her in higher favor than Danny just by personal choice and impression from T.V.---this does not denigrate Danny's building of 3ABN.)

In any case, there is a reason why Danny felt threatened whether by his own insecurity, or by a valid claim of infidelity. There is also the possibility that Kay mis-interpreted the connection between Linda and the doctor. 6 hours if true, is a long time to talk to anyone daily, but maybe Linda was not getting the support she needed from others. This problem with Nathan has been ongoing for years...she is looking to help her son.

This mess is going to take some deductive reasoning a long with guidance from the Holy Spirit. In any event, things transpired and Kay went to Norway with Linda and Nathan. Kay is wrong to spill the details ANYWHERE, but my understanding having seen her on 3ABN, is that her doctorate is in EDUCATION not counselling---so she has no business in that business if my observation is correct. If not, I apologize in advance...I am going to look again as I watch 3ABN daily.

Now for the big boom! Suppose, just suppose, Linda and the doctor fell in LOVE with each other? (Is the doctor married?) Well then, that would not be a spiritual adultery, that would be in fact of the flesh as well. Only those two people really KNOW for certain and God....and Danny to the extent of what Linda told him before leaving. Linda was likely given an ultimatum to give up her Norweigan friend...she refused and she is now gone from 3ABN. She says she had no notions toward the doctor (see her website)---I believe her inspite of the so called appearances and wagging tongues of "friends" who betrayed her...as far as I am concerned, Kay is a friend who betrayed Linda by spilling her (Kay's) version of events here----seemingly to salvage her own reputation with a pre-emptive strike by defending herself.

Btw, traveling across Europe together while not proper in human view does not of itself constitute a sin...ONLY GOD knows the wholeness of what the truth is...and no matter what the truth is...it is GOD in the name of Jesus that has the power to forgive. Us people should concern ourselves

with our walk in Christ and not the salacious details of scandal in SDA re: 3ABN.

**x** gossip

#### Posted by: statrei Aug 27 2004, 02:07 PM

Thanks for that balanced comment, Telluride. We are pleased to have you in our group. May your incisive mind be evidenced on other fora and subjects as well.

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 27 2004, 02:13 PM

Telluride,

That is a good synopsis.... however my position is this (has been from the start), just because a person commits adultery does not mean that divorce is mandatory. Thus, the counsel for

husbands to love their wives as Christ love the church and gave His life for it, comes into play as well as the example of Hosea and Gomer... I will admit that there probably is a lot of background that we are missing out on.... but I maintain that Mr. Shelton could have/should have gone above and beyond in his attempts for reconciliation. Additionally, if he felt that divorce was his only option, it could have been handle in such a way not to cause embarrassment to the woman who shared his life all those years..... but that's me.....

#### Posted by: Telluride Aug 27 2004, 02:36 PM

My thanks to the two respondents...truly....here is a link from Kay's website...and as I suspected her doctorate is in education....I can see why though as a Child Development specialist she would be invited to go a long to Norway to help with Nathan....http://www.kaykuzma.org/

I am thinking now though, about the Norweigan doctor issue, and if I recall..isn't Linda of Scandinavian descent? I believe so...in fact I saw her reference it on 3ABN...so that for me gives a light to why [possibly] a Norweigan doctor was sought out for help..the Scandinavians for a large part have a proud cultural heritage of holistic health and so on...and their approaches are what we would call holistic...maybe Linda wanted to introduce Nathan to that part of his heritage...I am just postulating here...I have no knowledge of any details from either side...

In any event, I do know that the Bible says remove first the thorn from your own eye...for me, I am going to go back to focusing on GOD and then pray for all of the parties involved...I trust in Jesus and know that by His good name all that is righteous shall be done. God bless you all.....

#### Posted by: Telluride Aug 27 2004, 05:48 PM

Greetings, I'm back again... I just perused the document about the Illinois tax situation re: 3ABN...sorry...I forgot what page it was on...I forgot my pw already and had to set up a new one...however, it does say in the judge's document that Linda had made a misleading statement saying that she did not collect royalties for her CDs and then later she said she did (this is somewhere between pp.30-40 in the document I think)...this brings to mind what Danny said about having to make a choice between 3ABN and his marriage to Linda...something that is also posted on this board...(my apologies for not remembering page numbers but I am good at remembering information...go figure...I will pay closer attention to page #s from here on out)...anyway, the tax document also concludes that 3ABN property is being used for profit and not religious purposes and notes that neither Danny or Linda are ordained ministers but are lay people who are contracted with SDA and who contract out their production facilities....the issue also related to not having Sunday School on the property etc. So it is a legal matter of importance that is also stressing 3ABN...I am disappointed to read of Linda's failure to be originally forthcoming re: royalties received on her CD sales....in fairness, I now have to question the veracity of any other statements she may make re: anything...this is a sad realization, but due diligence, honest inquiry, and fairness requires adherence to principle and not emotions. It of course does not mean automatically though that she is being untruthful about the doctor...it just means I have to evaluate everything more carefully.

What I am sharing here has nothing to do with spiritual adultry (whatever that is..in all my years I have never heard of such a thing...unless it is the "Jimmy Carter" thing about lusting after...you have already committed adultry....)

It seems to me that maybe both Danny and Linda have something they are concealing...thus the rather bizarre unfolding of recent events. I enjoy watching 3ABN and will continue to do so...I enjoy Linda Shelton's work and will continue to do so...however...the truth is not as simple as it should be...this reminds me of a teaching in Scientology about where-ever there is conflict, there is a third [unknown] party to the parties involved in stirring up stuff...(I am not a Scientologist)...as I said I have studied many religious philosophies...

Now, to be fully revealing of myself, I am not black...I found this site by accident because I have been wondering all along what happened to Linda and why...I am a 2004 MBA graduate from a school in Washington state...I first became interested in the tax implications because of my business training...I'm like a detective about many subjects...I mean no harm...I am not a reporter for any media outlet...(though maybe I could be bought off for a lot of \$...\*kidding\*)...I don't know any more than the rest of you do....I'm just sad for all the parties involved and the people who love 3ABN....we see how human all of us are by God's design..there is a lesson or two or more to be learned here...those focused on GOD will discern the purpose and meanings by being watchful, waiting, and listening...again...God Bless You All and thank you for allowing me to comment on your site.

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 27 2004, 05:56 PM

Telluride,

We have welcomed you regardless of your skin color or affiliation, you are inquisitive like all of us..... thank you for your comments thus far.....

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 27 2004, 09:48 PM

The following is a comment from one Margaret Gray who posts on ClubAdventist.... I thought it was interesting, and like most things I find interesting I like to share.... so here it is...

Dear individuals,

Mrs. Gray is of the opinion that a counselor should not go about divulging the specifics of counseling sessions in order to justify his or her actions. This particular individual's letter rendered illegitimate any of the "services" which were rendered.

This counselor comes across as a reporter interviewing the couple for the "benefit" of all the gossip-mavens and seems to be attempting to justify her own actions rather than try to help the beleaguered couple.

It would have been much better had she simply said nothing and kept the very personal information she reveals confidential as a true professional would.

Mrs. Gray cannot help but think of Linda Tripp who listened to Monica Lewinsky with a sympathetic ear and then turned into her worst enemy, losing the respect of both Democrats and Republicans. Such a poor choice.

Mrs. Gray thinks Dr. Kuzma has much good to say as the Adventist Dr. Laura, but Mrs. Gray cannot imagine Dr. Laura writing that kind of letter. Of course, in this case, 3ABN is much likelier to hire Dr. Kuzma for a program than Linda Shelton is, so it makes more sense for her to tilt in Danny's direction.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Gray

P.S. Mrs. Gray is not on "either side" in this horrific issue because even she's not smart enough to decipher all the mounds of "passive aggressive" gobbledygook. She just knows good and bad behavior when she sees it. She also is now predicting that if Danny stays with 3ABN, he will be engaged or married within 2 years, before Linda is. But that's just Mrs. Gray's prediction, not supported by any evidence other than her experience in ecclesiastical matters.

P.P.S. This issue is consuming so many supporters of 3ABN that perhaps it would better for the network if Danny took a leave of absence for a few months and somebody else filled in for a while. The reason is that, regardless of whose fault it was, rather than keep his family issue

separate from the TV ministry, he tied the two together and had his own relationship with his wife pretty much publicly "investigated." 3ABN is not "The Danny and Linda Channel" so there's no reason on earth why this had to happen so publicly. It's almost as if both of them really hate each other very much and want to publicly destroy the other one, both intractibly drawn into a "mutually assured destruction" scenario. Neither will emerge unscathed, so the board at 3ABN should forget about trying to figure out who is guilty in the marriage (since it's "none of their d\*\*\* business") and focus on getting 3ABN back on track. But that's just Mrs. Gray's opinion which has no weight with the folk in 3ABN-land.

P.P.P.S. The fact that Dr. Kuzma may not have been in a "counselor" relationship with Linda does not mean that she didn't act like it in order to obtain information. Doesn't it make sense that she would use her finely-tuned abilities as a counselor to draw out more information than the average person would? Doesn't it make sense that the big boys at 3ABN would recognize this and send her in first? Do you think that Kay Kuzma told Linda Shelton "I am not here to represent your interests, but rather those of 3ABN in order to obtain and distribute the information you tell me?" Or do you think she went in and solicited the information from a emotionally-weakened woman in the garb of a concerned friend? No matter what the legal labels, this kind of behavior is not professional, and tests the boundaries of ethical behavior even if technically allowable. Word play does not increase Mrs. Gray's respect for this deceitful behavior.

P.P.P.P.S. For those who think 3ABN can't survive, a similar scandal happened a few years back at Trinity Broadcasting Network (Remember Jim and Tammy Faye Baker?) They had money problems, he went to jail, she divorced him, and life went on with the guy with gray hair and his wife with pink hair. Now TBN is back as strong as ever with a different team. The same thing can happen for 3ABN. It may even improve the channel. We can thank Danny and Linda for setting it up, but like George Washington, Danny doesn't have to be president for the rest of his life.

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Posted by: Panama\_Pete Aug 28 2004, 09:32 AM

# **QUOTE** (Telluride @ Aug 27 2004, 05:48 PM)

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There may have been a problem between the words "profits" and "royalties."

The profits from sales of the CDs, such as "The Story of Jesus' Birth" went to 3ABN. This money did not go to Linda Shelton, personally.

However, BMI is an organization that keeps track of royalties to copyright owners who write songs. BMI requires that royalties be credited to the owner of the copyright. Linda Shelton retained the ownership of her own songs.

However, when asked about royalties, Linda may have believed they meant the profits. So, she may have said they did not go to her, personally.

When mention of BMI licensing came up, she would, naturally, have to differentiate "royalties" from "profits" and correct the matter, which she seems to have done.

#### Posted by: Panama\_Pete Aug 28 2004, 10:19 AM

### **QUOTE** (Telluride @ Aug 27 2004, 01:57 PM)

In any event, things transpired and Kay went to Norway with Linda and Nathan.

I understand that Linda Shelton went to Norway with Brenda Walsh to check on Nathan, who was already there.

Brenda Walsh has two sisters, Cinda Sanner and Linda Johnson. They are the daughters of Pastor Micheff. Therefore, the three daughters sometimes go under the name Micheff Sisters.

The Micheffs are lifelong friends of Danny Shelton.

They have a Web site: http://www.micheffsisters.com

They, too, have a CD. Tommy Shelton, Danny's brother, helped bring the CD project together. "All proceeds are donated to 3ABN 'Kids Time' Programming," according to their Web Site.

#### Posted by: Telluride Aug 28 2004, 02:53 PM

Greetings,

Good points made by all...thanks for the clarifications where needed....I am familiar with both BMI and ASCAP and royalties/copyrights. I can see how some confusion may have arisen...another lesson for me to not \*cast judgement\* no matter how sincere the desire to understand, or the desire to be sympathetic toward such a sad situation. I only know that I always perceived a sincerity from the parties of 3ABN in their broadcasts including of course, Linda. I wish Godspeed and healing to all involved.

Lyle Albrecht and Leo Schrevede are a couple of my favorites too...and I enjoy the Mischeff Sisters too when I see them....I may have seen Calvin's brother too I think [within the last 24 hours]...anyway, I watched this Sabbath morning and enjoyed it as always.

#### Posted by: inga Aug 28 2004, 05:08 PM

# **QUOTE** (friends @ Aug 26 2004, 06:51 PM)

Danny and I were unable to see eye-to-eye on some very fundamental issues, and if I stayed, I would have to disobey my employer's orders, so I resigned.

Derrell,

Some questions for you, if you don't mind...

What was your specific responsibility at 3ABN?

I understand you've been hired by ATN/HopeTV. What do you do there?

And, now that you've had a taste of working directly for a church entity, as opposed to a "supporting ministry," such as 3ABN, can you share the similarities and differences as to how it feels.

If your responsibilities are similar, is there little difference, or do you sense a difference in what, in a secular workplace, would be called "the corporate environment"?

I believe your answers may be relevant to our discussion, because we're not just discussing Linda and Danny, but 3ABN as an independent ministry. Your answers will be much appreciated.

#### Blessings,

Inge Anderson <-- who, though not "black" is appreciative of this forum offered by her black brothers & sisters

Posted by: inga Aug 28 2004, 05:23 PM

# **QUOTE** (Telluride @ Aug 27 2004, 02:36 PM)

I am thinking now though, about the Norweigan doctor issue, and if I recall..isn't Linda of Scandinavian descent? I believe so...in fact I saw her reference it on 3ABN...so that for me gives a light to why [possibly] a Norweigan doctor was sought out for help..the Scandinavians for a large part have a proud cultural heritage of holistic health and so on...and their approaches are what we would call holistic...

Thanks for your thoughts, Telluride.

I don't doubt that the commone Scandinavian heritage helped Linda feel more comfortable with the doctor from Norway to whom she was introducted by Johann Thorvaldsson, former Director of Europena Development, and a retired pastor and administrator of 50+ years' experience.

However, the way Johann relates it, the doctor and her son Nathan really hit it off, and that was an answr to Linda's prayers, I believe, since Nathan agreed to go to Norway to allow the doctor to treat him to help him get off drugs. The fact that this is a committed, praying Adventist doctor who uses natural methods must surely have given Linda confidence. And that confidence was well placed, as Johann relates it, for when "Nathan had merely been there for 10 days, and I did not recognize him when I saw him. He was a completely transformed person." In other words, the natural treatments were **very** successful. I can certainly understand why Linda would want her son under his care.

Blessings,

#### Inge Anderson

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 29 2004, 10:22 AM

Here is the bottom line for me in this mess.....

Mat 1:19 And Joseph, her husband, being an upright man, and not desiring to make her a public example, had a mind to put her away privately.

Even if the worst were true about Linda... if Danny were a just and upright man, he would not have exposed her to public embarrassment or a smeared reputation, but would have found a way to do it quietly... but that's just me.....

#### Posted by: mema Aug 29 2004, 01:12 PM

I feel that if you do not have love, honor and respect you spouse, then what he did is nothing. A drop in the bucket. But you, Steve, as well as others would have a really hard time putting all of your business out there like that. No matter how you look at it, if you try to embarrass someone it has a tendency to come back to you as well.

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 29 2004, 10:08 PM

Even if it didn't come back on you so to speak, there are some things that as a christian you shouldn't do... yes I know we are not perfect, yet there is an example, i.e. love your enemies....

#### Posted by: mema Aug 29 2004, 10:27 PM

If this was happening to me, I would find it really hard to love my enemies...

#### Posted by: princessdi Aug 30 2004, 10:00 AM

# **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 29 2004, 08:08 PM)

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I totally agree, Steve. I really don 't care about the particulars, that is between Danny, Linda, and God. However, the path that Danny and 3ABN board chose is definitely not the high road, or indicative in the christian lifestyle portrayed on their network. They have set themselves up to be "leaders".

#### Posted by: claborn Aug 30 2004, 10:44 PM

Well maybe they became leaders by default.... and leaders can stumble, however as I have consistently said, as christians God would have us do better.....

#### Posted by: princessdi Aug 31 2004, 09:29 AM

# **QUOTE** (claborn1960 @ Aug 30 2004, 08:44 PM)

Well maybe they became leaders by default.... and leaders can stumble, however as I have consistently said, as christians God would have us do better.....

You know, Steve, you might have a point there. You know that TD Jakes Leadership Conference this year covers exactly that. It is called, "Leading While Bleeding". It is just a shame we don't have conferences such as this to deal with the "real" issues. With so many leaders falling, it it truly needed.

Posted by: Jvat Aug 31 2004, 11:53 AM

Hear! Hear! Princess Di

Posted by: statrei Aug 31 2004, 12:25 PM

**QUOTE** (Jvat @ Aug 31 2004, 12:53 PM)

Hear! Hear!

Only someone from a former British colony would know the correct spelling. I cringe whenever I read 'Here, Here.'

Posted by: tarduke Aug 31 2004, 12:28 PM

# **QUOTE** (statrei @ Aug 31 2004, 12:25 PM)

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Lol. That's true. Let's hear it for the Brits!

Posted by: friends Sep 1 2004, 03:54 PM

Hi,

Inge asked some questions regarding my role at 3ABN, and what I am doing now.

I was Marketing Manager at 3ABN and my role was rather complex. I am now doing some work for Hope Channel, but I am not employed by them. I am currently working with them in marketing on a contract basis. There is certainly a significant difference in the corporate culture. It wouldn't be appropriate for me to go into detail, but I will say that Hope Channel/ATN/GC is a breath of fresh air. I have been impressed by the sincere sense of mission I see in the people who I work for, and especially by their lack of personal self promotion.

Friederich Nieztche said "If you fight monsters, beware lest you thereby become one, and if you gaze long into the abyss, the abyss gazes also into you." Good advice for those of us who might who might fall into vindictiveness when confronting it. I have had to spend lots of time on my

knees asking God to help keep me in balance.

I appreciate the thoughtful, intelligent discussion on this site.

Derrell

#### Posted by: statrei Sep 1 2004, 04:08 PM

We desire to demonstrate that dissent does not always deteriorate into dissension, discord or dissembling. (Can someone say alliteration?)

#### Posted by: friends Sep 1 2004, 04:29 PM

Bravo!

Another point that I think bears discussion is the fact that 3ABN is the face of the SDA church to millions of people around the world. Does this airing of personal dirty laundry negatively impact the viewer's impression of the church? Will the attitude seen in the various announcements be considered a practical demonstration of Christ's love to people who have never known Jesus?

Hmmm...

#### Posted by: claborn Sep 1 2004, 04:44 PM

Announcements by whom? Those at 3ABN? or those who believe that what was done maybe unfair to Linda? I think it is unfortunate that "dirty laundry" has to be seen, however if some change can take place, then more dirty laundry needs to be aired....

Posted by: Jvat Sep 2 2004, 10:44 AM

# **QUOTE** (friends @ Sep 1 2004, 04:29 PM)

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Hmmm...

Derrell, that has been my basic beef with the way that the conundrum at 3ABN was handled. Isn't it time that 3ABN makes a public apology to the viewing audience? I undertand Derrell that 3ABN is undergoing changes. Does the role of Chairman of the Board, now have much more teeth? And can the chairman send the President on a much deserved vacation?

#### Posted by: zwxphtt Sep 10 2004, 06:29 PM

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Posted by: tarduke Sep 10 2004, 06:35 PM

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Dang, Zwxphtt, I was confused. I thought you were Calvin.

Posted by: HoneyDew Sep 10 2004, 07:33 PM

Whoa. Me too.

Posted by: claborn Sep 10 2004, 09:47 PM

# **QUOTE** (zwxphtt @ Sep 10 2004, 07:29 PM)

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Zwxphtt

Why couldn't he? Let's see... Jesus kept Judas around and Jesus knew what was going on.... I hear what you are saying but I don't agree.... Danny and his supports should not have gone on the attack to one, make themselves look good and two, paint Linda as the villian... it is wrong any way you slice it... but that's just me.....

Welcome to the forum.....

Posted by: Just a Guy Sep 11 2004, 12:38 AM

Claborn,

Find me a prophecy where Linda needed to stay on at 3ABN so that the scriptures might be fulfilled. Can't you just hear Danny saying "What you are about to do, do quickly"?

Posted by: claborn Sep 11 2004, 07:03 AM

Good point JAG.....I could hear that phrase being used......

Posted by: Panama\_Pete Sep 11 2004, 11:41 AM

### **QUOTE** (zwxphtt @ Sep 10 2004, 06:29 PM)

...if Danny truly believed Linda was committing adultry he could hardly keep her on...

I heard this story about "truly believing." I don't know its source:

A women was returning home to the United States from England. She arrived at the airport and checked in at the departure desk only to learn that there would be no meal served on a flight that would take six hours!

So, she went and bought a big box of cookies. She was already so hungry, after having spent the night packing, that she decided to find a place to sit down and eat these cookies.

Seeing an open seat on a bench at the departure gate, she went and sat down with the intent of eating her bakery treats. A big man, sitting next to her, smiled and moved over a little bit to give her more room on that same airport bench

While she was looking in the opposite direction, the man reached down, put his hand into the cookie box, and took two cookies!

The woman quickly glanced at him when she heard the paper in the cookie box crackle and said to herself, "He thinks I didn't catch him. What the nerve!"

So, she said to herself, "I better eat these cookies before the creep next to me finishes them for me."

And, as she did that, the man next to her reached down and took another handful of cookies!

She couldn't believe it! The man ate most of her cookies right in front of her!

The woman was very disturbed when she finally got on the plane. To think that a biological throwback would sit there and appropriate something that was her's without even asking. She had the idea that she would find him -- wherever he was sitting on the plane -- and give him a piece of her mind. And he wouldn't be able to escape!

Then, as she tries to put her own carry-on case under the seat, she found that her bag seemed far too fat. It didn't fit at all . So, she opened her flight bag to find a big, unopened box of cookies right on top!

All that time on the bench in the airport, it was really she who was eating out of the man's box of cookies. Being a gentleman, he had never said anything to her regarding her theft of his cookies.

She did find the man on the plane. Instead of insulting him, she apologized and gave him the unopened box of cookies from her flight bag to replace those she had taken by mistake.

Moral of the story: "True believing" can make you a very angry and disturbed person when nobody is eating your cookies.

Panama Pete

#### Posted by: Jvat Sep 13 2004, 10:34 AM

Ah, Panama Pete, you are indeed blessed with insight to appopriate images and stories in this situation.

It is still heartbreaking no matter what. Even though Danny says that currently the financial gettings are better than they have ever been this time of year. And everything looks like nothing untowards has ever happened.

I was just remarking to myself this weekend how is it that any couple, after ninteen years, especially one who was supposed to be always in the Word, (especially as they were sharing the Bible every day with their viewers), could finish with each other, so easily, that there seems to be just no point of return? Did Satan really win this one???? Is Satan really so powerful?

And then everything goes on as if nothing has happened, even with the strange divorce? Has the SDA Church turned a new page? That if you are a big shot in the media, and your TV network is winning millions of souls to Christ, they touch you NOT??? So now it is alright, if any of us be married, for us to divorce our spouses for the most unorthodox of reasons? Has a precedent been set?

Posted by: statrei Sep 13 2004, 11:30 AM

# **QUOTE** (Jvat @ Sep 13 2004, 11:34 AM)

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#### Posted by: meadbd Sep 13 2004, 05:04 PM

QUOTE (Jvat @ Sep 13 2004, 11:34 AM)

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Actually, no...the Bible has not changed.

#### Posted by: TedOdell Sep 14 2004, 04:25 AM

### **QUOTE** (statrei @ Aug 31 2004, 06:25 PM)

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Both spellings are correct. Only the word choice and usage are incorrect. Correct?

Posted by: Jvat Sep 14 2004, 08:11 AM

# **QUOTE** (statrei @ Sep 13 2004, 11:30 AM)

It was done in Toronto in 2000 when the church voted, unlawfully, to change the Manual so that divorce can be obtained for an "unbelieving spouse." I was very vocal about this misuse of ecclesiastical power at the time.

And so, it seems that the church slides quickly down into perdition? Darius, what was the result of your vociferousness? What can be done to effectively reverse this new order of things? How can we ensure that our voices be heard and that action be taken, in this regard? With GC 2005 coming up, can we do anything to ENSURE that this matter be revisited and handled to God's honor and glory?

#### Posted by: statrei Sep 14 2004, 08:13 AM

Anita, by now you should know that power never listens to the voice of the people, especially when they have others who think they can ingratiate themselves with leaders by attacking those who point out our flaws.

Posted by: Jvat Sep 14 2004, 08:14 AM

# **QUOTE** (TedOdell @ Sep 14 2004, 04:25 AM)

Both spellings are correct. Only the word choice and usage are incorrect. Correct?

Hey Ted, I laugh with you. But surely you understood what Darius was getting at, eh?

Posted by: Jvat Sep 14 2004, 08:17 AM

# **QUOTE** (statrei @ Sep 14 2004, 08:13 AM)

Anita, by now you should know that power never listens to the voice of the people, especially when they have others who think they can ingratiate themselves with leaders by attacking those who point out our flaws.

But Darius, this matter is not about you or me, is it? It is bigger than a mere mortal? Maybe
we should get a petition signed so that not just ONE person is targeted so that this matter
can be adequately dealt with? But first we should perhaps seek God's face and HIS leading in
the way forward in this matter?

#### Posted by: tarduke Oct 15 2004; 02:41 PM

Linda has apparently graciously arrived at BlackSDA and is answering questions in the interview section. Now might be a good time to seek any clarification we might need.

#### Posted by: claborn Oct 15 2004, 10:36 PM

I think she did a fine job.... to be balanced could we extend the invitation to Mr. Shelton to come and share his side of the story? I have some questions for him....

#### Posted by: Denny Oct 16 2004, 05:44 PM

#### QUOTE(claborn1960 @ Oct 16 2004, 05:36 AM)

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Clay shall I hold my breath for him to say yes to our invitation or am I just too cynical?

#### Posted by: claborn Oct 16 2004, 05:52 PM

Den,

Probably the cynical side of you...

#### Posted by: calvin Oct 16 2004, 06:43 PM

#### QUOTE(denny26uk @ Oct 16 2004, 06:44 PM)

Clay shall I hold my breath for him to say yes to our invitation or am I just too cynical?

I invited Danny Shelton around the first of September, he said he would get back to me, but never did.

We have BSDAer member "Friend" to thank for the Linda Shelton interview, he made the contact to Linda for us.

Posted by: Just a Guy Oct 16 2004, 08:49 PM
calvin,
You seem to be more well connected than the Vatican. Could you tell Jan Paulsen "hello" for me?
Posted by: calvin Oct 16 2004, 08:58 PM
No, I am afraid Jan Paulsen would say "BlackSDA who", "Calvin who". but never the less he is on my hit list to do an interview with here.
Posted by: Denny Oct 17 2004, 10:52 AM
It would be good if we could get him. I would love to ask him about the fear of racial/ethnic intergration we have as Adventists. Or are we preparing ourselves for a New earth divided in Hispanic, Anglo-Saxon, West Indian etc sectors
Posted by: tarduke Oct 18 2004, 07:53 AM
QUOTE(Just a Guy @ Oct 16 2004, 08:49 PM)
calvin, You seem to be more well connected than the Vatican.
Yea, Calvin's connected for real.
Posted by: Jvat Oct 18 2004, 09:25 AM
Yeah, Calvin, I appreciate very much your help here and Linda's willingness and participation. MarGod continue to richly bless you all.
Hey let's keep praying for Linda, I understand that she may really need it because of her sharing. But God is more powerful than man can ever try to be.
Posted by: Clay Mar 16 2006, 10:23 AM
was perusing the old threads and came across this one remember this mess I guess we are still waiting on Danny Shelton to show up and tell us his side of things
Posted by: seraph m Mar 16 2006, 10:34 AM
QUOTE(Clay @ Mar 16 2006, 01:23 PM)
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Whew, for a min. I thought it was "on" again.. May the Lord bless sis Shelton in whatever the Lord leads... Posted by: Denny Mar 16 2006, 10:35 AM QUOTE(Clay @ Mar 16 2006, 04:23 PM) was perusing the old threads and came across this one.... remember this mess.... I guess we are still waiting on Danny Shelton to show up and tell us his side of things.... He probably hoping its all forgotton Posted by: simplysaved Mar 16 2006, 11:48 AM I happened to come across her website a few weeks ago ... http://www.lindashelton.org/ and found what she posted interesting... I am glad that she is moving forward, but the backlash still seems to continue... Posted by: princessdi Mar 16 2006, 11:50 AM Strangely enough, there is[are] guest(s) who come in to view this thread mostly everyday. Posted by: Clay Mar 16 2006, 11:51 AM well a serious smear campaign was going on during all that mess, and we discussed the fact that those doing so were wrong, regardless of what she allegedly had done..... Posted by: Denny Mar 16 2006, 12:04 PM Wow just read her site and people talk about marrying an Adventist who loves the Lord makes you equally yoked one who 'loves the Lord' does not allow ones spouse to be treated thus.....but then what do i know... Posted by: Clay Mar 16 2006, 12:08 PM QUOTE(Denny @ Mar 16 2006, 12:04 PM) Wow just read her site and people talk about marrying an Adventist who loves the Lord makes you equally yoked one who 'loves the Lord' does not allow ones spouse to be treated thus.....but then what do i know...

#### QUOTE

From her site...

In light of the fact that I am still receiving many emails from individuals praying that Dan and I will reconcile, I am making these facts known.

1) For over one year my attorneys have been contesting the validity of the Guam divorce. Dan's attorneys have been seeking to attest the validity of this divorce. This has not been settled in court as yet. Also a sizable portion of our personal property and settlement has not been dealt with as yet.
2) Dan and his 32 year old girlfriend, Brandy, were recently married on the 3ABN Presents set. She has two young daughters from two previous marriages.
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Posted by: seraph m Mar 16 2006, 12:39 PM
QUOTE(princessdi @ Mar 16 2006, 02:50 PM)
Strangely enough, there is[are] guest(s) who come in to view this thread mostly everyday.
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Posted by: calvin Mar 16 2006, 12:44 PM
Danny Shelton is planning on getting married again. He introduced her in Huntsville a fews weeks ago, so my mother told me. Where you there for the announcement Sarah?
Posted by: seraph m Mar 16 2006, 12:46 PM
QUOTE(Clay @ Mar 16 2006, 02:51 PM)
well a serious smear campaign was going on during all that mess, and we discussed the fact that those doing so were wrong, regardless of what she allegedly had done
Exactly.
Some "christians" do not seem to have a problem with spreading gossip even though it is a form of murder.
Posted by: princessdi Mar 16 2006, 12:57 PM
The Guam divorce came out before. Ok, but I have to question the judgement of the woman with the two children. Danny's track record is not good in this area. He practically ignores the son that

So Calvin, can we get Danny back her speak to some of this? I assume he is still a member.

Linda had when they married and they were together for years.

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### **UNITED STATES DIVORCE:**

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This divorce requires that both parties be in agreement and willing to sign all forms. The divorce will be granted by an offshore, United States Court, in the US Territory of Guam.

Guam, a part of the United States , is the vacation paradise of the Pacific. It's fabulous golf courses, magnificent climate, and scuba diving second to none in the world, make it the most popular vacation destination for most of the Orient. And the fact that the US dollar is the currency, the language is English, and the people are Americans make it the perfect place to vacation, to rest and relax, or to go for a quick divorce. In as little as approximately 10 days you can be divorced, have your divorce decree in your hands, and even be remarried to the new partner in your life if you wish.

Click here for further in	formation on a United States Court divorce.
See details for the above http://www.divorcefast	
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I will say I was looking at the fact that both Linda and Dan was in marriage number 2 (and it is their business) but I found it interesting...I did not know that they were both AHEM "old"as they are....

with GROWN kids ( I did know about Melody, but not tha tshe was from the first marriage)...

#### Posted by: Clay Mar 16 2006, 05:32 PM

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let me see if I can summarize... Mr Shelton accuses Linda Shelton of spiritual adultery, uses that for grounds for divorce, and then shares that with whomever will listen. Mr. Shelton also has friends help him with the negative press re: Linda Shelton. Then he files for divorce in Guam and receives it.

Meanwhile he continues with the blessings of the 3ABN board, Kay Kuzma and others to promote 3ABN as the conservative alternative to the liberal influence seen in some adventist churches.... Then he makes plans to remarry (or according to L.S.'s website) or is already remarried.... and there has

not been any outcry about any of this, other than the continued smearing on occasion of Linda
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should this topic be pinned againlol
Posted by: simplysaved Mar 17 2006, 11:50 AM
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Posted by: seraph m Mar 17 2006, 02:05 PM
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Posted by: Clay Mar 17 2006, 02:57 PM

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I don't know, at the time we think it may have been tied into what she would get in a divorce settlement or something....

#### Posted by: princessdi Mar 17 2006, 04:12 PM

Actually, Sarah, there is an interview here in the Interview forum with Linda. You are right not everybody was gagged thus the many posts from one side or the other, if you read all of the threads involving this situation. We have that I can remember, Danny, a Friend of Linda's and a "Counselor" who was called in during the mess, both have posted their "opinions" and "views". Also within on of these threads are links posted by Clay for other sites and their posted comments, most not at all nice. So we, here, have been privy to more infomation than most, because for some unknown reason they actually brought it to us.

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Also, fact is, Danny, himself, does not deny and is fighting for the legitimacy of the quickie Guam divorce. Danny has never been "gagged". In fact, he has made it his business to tell it every where he goes, just how "wounded" he is. If I am not mistaken, I believe one of our new members eluded to this in a recent post. Linda is the only one who could not say anything in defense of herself.

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