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Posted by: calvin Aug 16 2004, 11:30 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 17 2004, 12:54 AM

QUOTE(calvin @ Aug 16 2004, 10:30 PM)

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- ...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.
- ... She refused at every point. ... Linda talked to me one time and refused any further contact I tried to make with her.
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Kay Kuzma

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, 03:41 AM

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

Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 07:04 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, 07:21 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 verifiy....

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

Posted by: statrei Aug 17 2004, 07:51 AM

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

Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 08:27 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.....

Posted by: calvin Aug 17 2004, 08:51 AM

I did not know Kay was a professional counselor. This seems very unethical to give this much information. She said everything but utter the phase "Linda had an affair".

Posted by: claborn Aug 17 2004, 09:01 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, 09:07 AM

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

Posted by: tarduke Aug 17 2004, 09:18 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, 09:29 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, 09:32 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, 09:34 AM

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

Once we get it, it is over.



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, 09:36 AM

QUOTE(mema @ Aug 17 2004, 10:29 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, 09:41 AM

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If you look at the names I listed, all of them have no problem whatsoever speaking their minds.... now granted each of them would do it in their own way, but I have no doubt that the might be tempted to call Ms. Kuzma... in fact I might call myself.....as for knowing them.... I know them well enough I quess....

Posted by: mema Aug 17 2004, 09:45 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, 09:46 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, 09:48 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, 09:51 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 quy." 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?