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BlackSDA _ 3ABN _ Open Letter To BsdA

Posted by: calvin Aug 16 2006, 06:42 PM

For two years now I, Barbara Kerr, have kept silent regarding the happenings surrounding one of my best friends, Linda Shelton. I am one of those ministries referred to in Dr. Abrahamsen's letter that was affected adversely by the split of the Shelton marriage. June 1st, 2004, all of Linda's programming was taken off of the air. By default, my ministry seemingly disappeared overnight as we had taped 99% of all of my cooking programs together.

I didn't know anything was wrong until the first week of May 2004. (I was in Italy the entire month of April and was not available to Linda.) As soon as I heard the rumors that she had "run off" with a Norwegian doctor, I called Linda (she was at 3ABN not in Norway). I jumped in my car the next day with my friend Claudia, and we made the 11-hour drive to West Frankfort, IL. We stayed three days and had an opportunity to visit with both Danny and Linda.

I would like to stop here and say that by my not being a "paid" employee of 3ABN, I have had a unique opportunity watching employees come and go. In seven years of volunteering at this ministry, I really got a feel for their personalities versus their characters. I also watched in horror, as some people would work so hard to position themselves to climb the ladder of success. You could see "pride of position" stamped on their foreheads as they walked the halls searching desperately for fame. It's no wonder Linda and Danny both have become leery over the years of people trying to become their "friends". It's unfortunate that people will use people, but this is the real world after all, and God warns us that "whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant, and whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

I had the privilege of meeting many Godly people while volunteering at 3ABN who were the same off of camera as they were when the cameras were rolling. I would have to say that was especially true of Linda Shelton. She was as sweet, charming, spiritual and innocent off camera as she was on! If that was the only statement that I had to make about Linda, it would be enough, for each of you saw the "real" Linda as she held out her hand in prayer on every "Presents" program.

I have kept my mouth shut to the public about the things that I have known for the past two years because I knew that God would reveal every secret thing in its time.

Danny is a very powerful man. Maybe the most powerful man in the SDA church and his influence is felt far and wide. When he doesn't like you he has no problem picking up the phone to call conference presidents and heads of ministries. I have personally felt his wrath, and its consequences by standing up to him, asking hard questions (when everyone else was afraid too) and continuing to be a friend to Linda and support her through this nightmare.

I can honestly say that I hate injustice and I refuse to stand by and watch someone be bullied. My husband and I are very much the same in this respect. With that said, it was so incredibly confusing those first few months listening to both Danny and Linda talk about their "problem". Each person was emphatic that the other person was lying. At this time, both Dan and Linda had credibility with me even though Linda and I were actually close friends. It would give me a headache just trying to sort out what each one had verbalized.

It was also clear early on that Linda had a receptive spirit to being counseled, while Dan was "closed off" and "non-receptive". By that statement I don't mean that he wouldn't talk to Claudia and me. He did. He just did 99% of the talking. It was as if Dan was on "machine gun mode" and his words just shot out of him like bullets. I should also say that at the time we drove up to 3ABN, it didn't matter to me if Linda was guilty or innocent. I was on my way because she needed a friend.

I was appalled that Linda had been locked out of 3ABN and completely cut off from talking to the

employees. The hard drive from her computer was removed and she wasn't able to retrieve any information that she had stored in that computer.

I may not be a PhD, but it didn't take much common sense to see that Linda was being "cut off" from all former friends and co-workers. Linda, Claudia and myself talked for hours, we prayed together, we cried together and we counseled together. I kept hearing the words of Jesus in my ears; "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends."

Danny has always maintained that Linda would not receive counsel and it is my belief that nothing could be farther from the truth. What she didn't want was 3ABN "arranged" counsel and refused anything that smelled of it.

I had one opportunity to ask Danny tough questions during our three-day stay. I knew that even by asking, that they might not be well received. My questions were 1) Are you having an affair? 2) Have you fallen in love with someone else? 3) Are you willing to acknowledge that you have responsibility for your marriage falling apart?

Dan emphatically denied an affair or any love interest other than Linda, but he was completely unwilling to take one shred of responsibility for the marriage beginning to unravel. The entire blame was on Linda's shoulders and he had many reasons why it was all her fault.

During the weeks that followed I received several two-hour long phone calls from Danny. I averaged about five minutes during those conversations. Again, his words flew out like machine gun fire almost painful to listen to. He was definitely on a mission to discredit his wife and isolate her from ANYONE that lent her a helping hand or a shoulder to cry on. He sounded so extremely believable and convincing. He had some kind of so-called "proof" for every "thing" she was being accused of. Eventually Danny persuaded me with partial truths that Linda was the one in the wrong. I was even mad at Dr. Abrahamsen for not walking away from the situation because I believed he was only making matters worse by continuing to be-friend her.

Linda and I didn't speak for about three months (Oct. - Dec.), but she continued to maintain her innocence. Occasionally she would send me an email with an update and a kind word. Never once did she get mad at me for not "siding" with her. What I found strange was that every time Linda and I would begin talking over the phone again, within about 24-hours I would get a phone call out of the blue from Dan and he would begin his torturous rundown of all his "evidence". (Were her phones tapped?) hmhhh.....

I prayed that God would show me the truth in the situation and I asked for wisdom to respond to each of them. Whenever Linda and I began to reconnect again, Danny became angry. His words were more than unkind as he spoke "ugliness" about his former wife. I began losing respect for him not only as a husband, but as the Christian leader he should have been portraying! He spoke about his wife's menstrual cycle freely over the phone. (HUGE MISTAKE – how inappropriate and disgusting. AND, if he was discussing it with me, surely he was discussing it with others). He actually had the nerve to say one day, "Well, I've always said that Linda would spread her legs for anyone". Unbelievable beyond words!!!!!! What Christian leader would say that? And to use the words "I've always said". How many times had he said that to someone?

These disgusting statements weren't the first time Danny's words had turned my stomach causing me to lose tremendous respect for him as a leader. It is shameful to even repeat what he said. (I have decided not to repeat it because it's too horrible and what bugs me more than anything is that I can't tell this truth, because no matter how true it is, the incident is too inflammatory to be published. Maybe someday, the truth will be known.)

The last time I taped a cooking program at 3ABN was early December of 2003. I will never forget gathering up the last tray full of dishes and food on the kitchen set and heading for the door. As I neared the piano, goose bumps stood up all over my body and a voice so audible in my head said, "This is the last time you will ever tape a program here". I was so shocked I stopped walking, turned around to look at the kitchen set and said out loud, "No, that can't be". There was no shaking the feeling, so I stood there in stunned silence for a moment as I took it all in one last time.

I was sure the voice must be wrong because Dee Hildebrand and I had already set the schedule for the following year. The strangest thing happened though. My normal schedule of taping every other month

beginning in January just wouldn't work out. This time, no matter how we tried to arrange the schedule, the first possible spot was just after July 4th, taping a LIVE with Dr. Neil Nedley. Then, I wasn't on the schedule again until late September, so we also booked October, and December.

I don't remember if it was January, February or March (2004), but Kay Kuzma called my home and told me that she was working on a new book called Mending Broken People. It was to be a book about the ministries that "made up" 3ABN and the miracle stories that surrounded their work. She interviewed me for about 40 minutes over the phone asking questions about Taste Of Health and how my ministry had changed the lives of others. I shared several testimonies with her and she thanked me for my contribution to 3ABN and for allowing her to share my story.

I didn't hear from Kay again until late May or early June, 2004. This conversation was much different. She was doing her best to find out where I stood regarding Linda and Danny. I wasn't budging from Linda's side. I commented that Danny still hadn't been able to show me a single Bible text that indicated I should turn my back on my friend. I, too, was unable to persuade Kay of Linda's innocence - her mind was made up. We hung up. Her new book was published several months later and all traces of Taste Of Health miracle stories had been removed. It was as if by not including the seven years of volunteer work that I had done, they could pretend that I had not been a big part of 3ABN's health message.

Spring came. Claudia, my mother and myself spent the entire month of April, 2004 in Italy. It was just days after arriving home that we learned of Linda's being "out-ed" at 3abn.

May was just a whirlwind with the 3ABN "mess", school getting out and one of my closest girlfriends was six months pregnant and needed a place to stay. Bill and I opened up our home to her and she asked me to be her coach. During my friend's doctor visit in June they moved her due date up to July 12th. She began to get increasingly nervous knowing that my "tape date" was on July 6th. I was growing more and more frustrated with Danny (the divorce had just gone through) and I really wasn't sure I would be able to tape anything without Linda in the kitchen. It just didn't seem right. I was somewhat relieved because of the due date being so close and I called and cancelled the LIVE.

The baby was born July 15th, and my friend was still not back with her husband. She slipped into serious postpartum depression and missed her husband terribly. After working out the details of reuniting, she finally convinced me that she could not manage the trip home the first week of September by herself, so my husband bought me a ticket.

I called Dee the middle of August to explain that I just couldn't get my recipes together in time for the September deadline, that I had too much on my plate at the moment and that I would be flying back to my girlfriends home with her and the baby. I needed to cancel once again. Part of me was relieved. I still wasn't sure I fit in anymore.

The next morning I received a phone call from Tommy Shelton explaining that they had cancelled my remaining "tape dates" and that my taping cooking programs for 3ABN wasn't a good fit anymore. He was kind (as I had always known Tommy to be), but nonetheless, he was the "axe man" that day.

As I hung up the phone I began to cry and my crying turned into big "red-headed" sobs. Then I remembered the words the Holy Spirit had whispered in my ear last December, and I knew that in fact, I would never tape there again. I had been fired.

I knew that when I stood by Linda that it would most likely affect my taping at 3ABN, but then I've never been one to be "politically correct". Unlike the actual 3ABN employees, I wasn't losing a paycheck. I had been working for free for eight years. You see, I had made a vow to God in 1994 that I would spend the rest of my life helping others to not get as sick as I once did. Danny Shelton didn't call me to the ministry, God did. Dan's allowing me to tape programs or not tape programs was a trivial thing to God, and it still is.

I had always known that Three Angels was only a training ground. The Lord had impressed me very early on that it was temporary and that He had something much, much bigger down the road. Looking back, I can't help but feel my seven years of training at 3ABN was the perfect amount of time.

Even though I was no longer an invited guest at 3ABN, it didn't stop Danny from calling off and on to keep up with his "Linda trashing". I decided that time would reveal the real liar. Even though what Danny said all sounded irrefutable, I couldn't get over how instead of trying to shelter and protect his wife from

the public, he was tearing her apart with his words to anyone that would listen. It didn't take long for him to reveal more of his spots.

Because my programs had been taken off the air and I didn't own the rights to the master copies, seven years worth of my work was locked up in what I like to call "cooking school prison" at 3ABN. Three Angels would no longer air the shows because they had Linda in them, but they wouldn't donate or sell the programs to me either. They even refused to sell copies of the programs to viewers that would call in and request them. Clearly they were of no more use to 3ABN's ministry, but when I asked Danny if he would donate my work to my ministry his reply was, "One shouldn't cut off his nose to spite his face." He then wrote an entire paragraph outlining all of the "new rumors" that I was supposedly saying about him. Rumors that I hadn't heard until I received his letter. He also requested a statement in writing that he could give to people when they wanted to know where I stood on the subject of him and 3ABN.

I was in a quandary. Even though I loved and supported 3ABN, I had lost pretty much all respect for Danny. He is unable to separate himself from the ministry in that way and I was unable to lie in order to receive those masters. This letter is my public response to his request, so everyone will know just where I stand in respect to how I feel about his ungodly leadership.

At the close of his last email to me his words cut me like a knife. He said, "Barb, it honestly doesn't make me any difference who you support in this situation. We will all go on the same. Your influence, as you know, won't make or break 3ABN as well as make or break Linda. But at least people won't be able to accuse you of jumping ship to serve your own selfish purposes." I was filled with righteous indignation. Since when had working eight years without a paycheck, trying to educate the public and teach God's Law's of Health, qualify as "serving my own selfish purposes"? I decided to take an entirely different approach.

I've always been a prayer warrior, so I went to my Bible in search of answers. I kept reading passages from Psalms where David's prayers against his oppressors were extremely direct. David minced no words in telling God what he wanted done to the people that hated him. I had never prayed this way before and wasn't sure if I could.

I did change my prayers the day that email arrived in my inbox. My prayer became, "Lord, scatter Danny Shelton and his family like chaff in the wind. Set the oppressed free. Make us the head and not the tail. Contend with those that contend with me. You have promised not to be a respecter of Kings and rulers and those with a proud heart. Shut the mouth of those that speak lies about us. Let them be drunk with their own blood as with wine. But let Your servant rejoice. Let my accusers be clothed with shame, and let them cover themselves with their own disgrace as with a mantle. I will greatly praise the Lord with my mouth; Yes, I will praise Him among the multitude. For He shall stand at the right hand of the poor, to save her from those who condemn her." (If you read Psalm 109 I used this prayer as my example.)

This prayer might sound extremely harsh, but let me tell you, God began to move in a powerful way revealing every secret thing. Danny may think that someone he considers as small and insignificant as myself cannot touch "the anointed one" (as 3ABN likes to call Dan), but God sees every tear shed by His servants and hears every humble plea. PRAYER CHANGES EVERYTHING!

Jumping back to the summer of 2004 (after Linda was fired and taken off the air) my mother and sister decided to surprise me with a fundraiser concert in Atlanta, GA. It was to raise money so Taste Of Health could build a kitchen studio. They worked for months securing a location and hired 24 musicians. Huge debt was wracking up on my mother's credit cards as she was self-sacrificing and planned this huge event. They told me about it at Christmas and I was so surprised and shocked, but happy. I so desired to build a studio and get back to work!

Long story short, two people that had agreed to participate in the concert both called on a Monday (the same Monday) to say how sorry they were that they couldn't participate. I will leave them nameless. One of the two called to tell me that Danny had called them and he had explained how if he/she came to the concert and supported my ministry, that it might be misconstrued and all of his/her conference funding for his/her new project might get cancelled, Dan wasn't sure. It was enough of a "hint threat" that they opted not to take the risk. I assured him/her it was okay, hung up the phone and cried for three days.

Finally on the third day I picked up a new book from Joel Osteen called Your Best Life Now and began to read. The more I read the better I felt. Chapters five and six were all about claiming God's favor as you would claim the gift of salvation. By the time I was finished with those two chapters I was excited and

claiming God's favor over my life and my ministry. My attitude changed and I quit sulking because of Danny's wrath (which I was now experiencing). I've never quite been the same since reading those chapters and having a deeper understanding of God's favor. I have learned peace amidst the storm. Dan's wrath doesn't scare me anymore because I know I'm surrounded by God's favor.

Even as recent as this past February, 3ABN was still blocking Linda from speaking engagements. Linda had been invited February 18, 2006, by our local pastor, to speak at the 11 O'clock worship hour and for the vespers program that evening here in Columbia, SC. As soon as the news that Linda was speaking in our church made its way through our conference office, our pastor received a phone call from John Lomacang (3ABN's pastor). Within a week I received a phone call from my pastor instructing me to call Linda Shelton back and UNINVITE her. I refused. Now, my "very uncomfortable" pastor squirmed as he gave me reason after reason that it wouldn't be politically correct for Linda to speak at our church. He assured me that he wanted Linda here, but that she had left the "White SDA Conference" not-in-good-standing. His hands were "tied" and there was nothing he could do.

Experiencing Dan's wrath did begin to answer the question in my mind, as to who was lying. Then I caught Dan in a great big lie. It was the last time he and I spoke on the phone. (It's never a short conversation when Danny is trashing Linda and re-hashing all his "evidence").

That particular day I wanted answers about his relationship with his step-daughter Alyssa. Danny became very animated over the phone and bubbly. He said that he and Alyssa were great friends, they were buddies, and that he called her often and they had wonderful conversations. Alyssa had even recently written him a prescription (she had just graduated as a Physician's Assistant) for an infection he had. When I asked him about the "backrubs" he had been giving her before she left home (at the age of 23), he said, "Oh yeah, we're very close. Sometimes I would go in her room, and sit on her bed, and we'll just have great talks while I rub her back. It's just a loving gesture." We hung up.

What Danny didn't expect was that I would actually pick up the phone and call Alyssa to verify his story. Alyssa is a very sweet, private and shy person. When she got on the phone I explained how I had been in this "tug-of-war" over finding the truth. Danny always sounded so convincing and made Linda sound like a complete liar. I told her I would understand if she didn't want to answer my questions, but that it would put my mind at ease, finally!

When I explained that Dan had described their relationship as a great friendship and that they talked all the time on the phone and I asked about the prescription, you could hear a sigh of disgust on the other end. Alyssa said, "We are NOT friends, he won't quit calling me and I only wrote him a prescription because I felt sorry for him."

Then I asked her a very personal question. She was silent for a few moments, then answered my question with amazing honesty. I am not at liberty to disclose the biggest part of the lie that I caught Dan in that day, but it was the evidence I had been prying about.

"So do you want your mom and Danny to get back together?" I asked. "Absolutely not! He's a jerk and she deserves better. I never want them to get back together", she stated emphatically. I thanked her for her honesty and for helping me understand what the truth was and we said good-bye.

Alyssa handed the phone to her mom. Linda said, "Barb, I never knew why she moved out of the house so suddenly. I can't believe it." We said good-bye so she could go talk to Alyssa, and I sat there in stunned disbelief. I never told Danny that I had picked up the phone to verify his story. I didn't need to. God had promised over and over again that if I would just be patient and wait on Him, that He would reveal every secret thing in its time.

An Update On Taste Of Health Ministry

I just want to take a moment to say "Thank You" to all the loyal supporters of my ministry that continue to call and tell me that they miss seeing me and Linda cooking in her "kitchen". I have so appreciated your prayers and hugs over the phone.

Since the removal of my cooking programs I started doing more cooking schools again in churches around the country. I was also the main women's retreat speaker in Cape May, NJ, this past April. God also opened an amazing door here in Columbia, SC, at Fort Jackson, our military base. I am teaching a class (along with another woman) to the female officers called, "Every Woman's Battle". It's a weekly

class on sexual integrity as God intended it. The class has been a huge success so far and we are excited about the questions these women are asking regarding the Bible.

My husband, Bill, and I will be in Spokane, WA, September 9th, giving our first marriage seminar on "How to Get Along". If you would like details, just call Mable Dunbar at the Upper Columbia Conference. (509-838-2761)

Some of you have noticed that I have quit posting a calendar of events on my web page. It was easier to eliminate the posting of events than to deal with the sabotages. I hope you understand.

A year ago in August, Taste Of Health applied for non-profit status. We are only days away from being approved for our 501©3 and we are excited about that.


Many of you have called to ask if I am going to tape programs anymore. The answer is, "YES" I am going to tape programs again because I want to get back to work doing what God called me to do!

I am saying "Yes" in faith. The HOPE Channel and LLBN have both indicated that they would love to air my cooking programs, but neither facility has a kitchen studio. I am still without a studio or the funds to build one. (I've had the plans drawn up for a year now just waiting on God's timing to be perfect, and His hand to move on my behalf). Last week Claudia and I sat down and planned out 120 thirty-minute programs. I don't know where the studio will be, nor do I have the funds to accomplish this work, but that's God's problem. We have a deal - I work, and He supplies my needs.

God is so awesome and I just want to praise Him for everything. Even though the last two years have been rough, to say the least, God has taught me two valuable lessons that I wouldn't trade for anything. He has taught me the lesson of "rejection", (Believe me, you have only seen the tip of the iceberg in what has been printed on these pages), and He taught me to praise Him, in ALL circumstances, no matter what!

I'm not angry with Danny anymore when he attacks me. I don't hate him. I do pray for justice, and that God will use my ministry to bring ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands to know the Savior. Bless the Lord oh my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy name. To God be the glory!

Posted by: sonshineonme Aug 16 2006, 07:11 PM

Thank you Barbara! Praise God for your witness, testimony, and courage! 

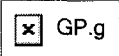
Posted by: Lucyladye Aug 16 2006, 07:13 PM

May God Bless you Barbara, and may God work miracles in your endeavors.

Posted by: Clay Aug 16 2006, 07:13 PM

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Posted by: sister Aug 16 2006, 07:25 PM

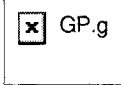
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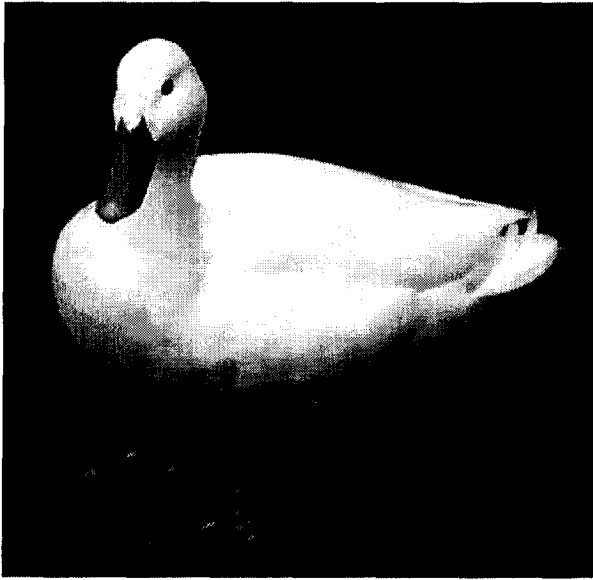
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Here is her last paragraph:

If you would like to contact my ministry you can do so through my website www.tasteofhealth.net or by email at tasteofhealth@hotmail.com

Posted by: Clay Aug 16 2006, 07:37 PM

walks like a duck, quacks like a duck...must be a ??



Posted by: princessdi Aug 16 2006, 07:40 PM

Ya'think?!!!! I hope folks is trying to repent, otherwise they are going to be some crispy critters.....My Lerd!!!! (Thanks Re', without you we wouldn't know what to say to this mess!) LOL!!!

Posted by: Barbara Kerr Aug 16 2006, 07:53 PM

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Warmly,
Barbara Kerr

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You and your ministry are definitely in our prayers, Barbara. Praise God for your courage to follow Him!!

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Praise God for your courage in coming forward Barbara & may God richly bless you & your ministry. 

I always wondered why you were no longer on 3ABN. Glad to know the reason.


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
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And thank you Calvin and all your BSDA team for providing the public place where it can be seen by all who come by.

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Watchbird -- I could not have said it better myself. You are a very wise woman. I can't help but think back to David Gates sermon I was re-listening to last week. David said, "If we would just open our hands and let go of what we're holding on to, . . . then God would put something so much bigger in them."

If our conference officials will stand firm and not be threatened by the "money men" in our church trying to dictate what happens, God will MORE than make up the difference, and bless in a way that they can't even imagine!

Blessings,
Barbara Kerr

Posted by: Brennen Aug 16 2006, 08:35 PM

Thank you Barbara for your inspiring letter and support for Linda Shelton. I to stand beside her. Danny Shelton shared his negative attitude on television, right before the entire world. I pray that one day he would no longer be on the front set of 3ABN. The format must change. It will be best if he is removed and the face of 3ABN is changed. It would really be wonderful for Linda to be the president. She has such a sweet, gracious and genuine spirit. I would like to see 3ABN become a true partner with Hope TV and the Adventist Church. "What a day that will be." [Brennen]

Posted by: justme Aug 16 2006, 08:47 PM

Barb,
You did it! Girl. Good for you and good for Linda and good for all of us. A first-hand account, and "eye witness" who will stand up and be counted for truth.

We expect that your phone will ring from "TC1", "the so-called chosen one", before very long. Let us know, OK?

God bless you. And perhaps more will come forward now. You have set a good example of courage and of great spirit.

Thanks so much Clay! This is long overdue!
Again Barb's contact information is:

tasteofhealth@hotmail.com
is this right?

Posted by: Ralph Aug 17 2006, 02:03 AM

QUOTE(calvin @ Aug 16 2006, 05:42 PM)

...it was so incredibly confusing those first few months listening to both Danny and Linda talk about their "problem". Each person was emphatic that the other person was lying. At this time, both Dan and Linda had credibility with me even though Linda and I were actually close friends. It would give me a headache just trying to sort out what each one had verbalized.

Thanks Barbara for sharing this letter with us. I doubt that I can even imagine the stress that you went through. There is healing in writing things down and sharing them with those who care. You have been so brave. May God bless in your future plans.

Posted by: Jvat Aug 17 2006, 04:06 AM

Thank you, Barbara. Just remember that "No weapon formed against you shall prosper"; "God is on your side, do not fear what man shall do unto you". I am praying for you. Stay strong in Jesus!

Posted by: Denny Aug 17 2006, 04:54 AM

Thank you Barbara for your bravery and honesty, may God continue to bless your ministry. Hope this letter opens up the eyes of those who have the power to do something about this man. But I fear that \$\$\$\$ has more influence than the Holy Spirit with some of our leaders..

I continue to see a fan and gastro by products in my crystall ball..... 

Posted by: Clay Aug 17 2006, 12:31 PM

agreed Denny.... but you know for those who don't believe, nothing will sway them...

Posted by: inga Aug 17 2006, 01:40 PM

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The term has been around a long time:

"Character assassination"

The church should immediately pick Linda up and use her obvious gifts. What a LADY !!!!

Posted by: Spike Aug 17 2006, 06:25 PM

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Amen

Posted by: MsHoly1 Aug 17 2006, 07:25 PM

QUOTE(princessdi @ Aug 16 2006, 09:40 PM)

Ya'think?!!!! I hope folks is trying to repent, otherwise they are going to be some crispy critters.....My Lerd!!!! (Thanks Re', without you we wouldn't know what to say to this mess!) LOL!!!



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Posted by: denisebyers Aug 17 2006, 09:32 PM

Wow, thank you so much for sharing that Barbara. May God Bless you, and we will be praying for you. I support Linda 100%. I am thankful for the BSDA forum where we can post freely. This is a great forum. Now I am off to bed, tired and sleepy.....In Christ, Denise :-)

Posted by: Clay Aug 18 2006, 12:48 PM

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Posted by: Rough7Seas Aug 18 2006, 03:41 PM

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Posted by: sonshineonme Aug 18 2006, 03:43 PM

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'splain what you mean exactly

Posted by: princessdi Aug 18 2006, 05:38 PM

Now, I have done that at home, However I just add taco, burrito, nacho choices also. Everyone can have what they like. But if you call yourself having a church dinner, then we need some real food. Don't get me wrong, folks is straight up jealous when I put my stack together. LOVE them!!!

Also, looking at the lineup and the program for the day, maybe they ought to stay with the haystacks. Ain't no Chech Survice going on over there, Danny and his merry band will be lulling folks to sleep, if the program I watch the other day is any indication.

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Posted by: Jvat Aug 18 2006, 06:23 PM

Well, Danny and his crew are on right now in the Texas Church.

Posted by: justme Aug 18 2006, 07:46 PM

I wonder which airlines they flew on

Maybe it was the "B-B-B-N" jet. "3BN" "3BEAN".

Posted by: Skyhook Aug 18 2006, 10:04 PM

I thought it must have been someone from this forum who asked the first question of the panel tonight. "Is pride something that will keep us out of heaven?" Several people had answers and the topic seemed to shift somewhat. Then Shelley Quinn gave a little "sermon" in which she mentioned something about people being "judgmental." I think she even stated or implied that God was impressing her with things to say during the question and answer session. Unfortunately I doubt if Danny made any kind of application to himself. In fact later on he talked about how 3abn has grown far beyond his initial dream. Things appear so different when I know something of the context.

I got the dish about a year ago and right away I got tired of seeing Danny's face in front of the camera. I noticed that he just babbled away with little of substance to say. He has a repertoire of pious cliches. I especially noticed that he didn't know how to interview. Even when his guests are trying to get a word in edgewise, the camera often is on Danny. I thought the problem was amateurish production and camera work. Now I understand that the problem is that it is a sort of "cult of personality" at the station with Danny's image as the foremost object of attention.

The reason I'm saying all this is that it is good to know that I am not alone in my observations. When I saw that Kay Kuzma was a regular, I thought that was a bad sign.

Posted by: Chez Aug 18 2006, 10:58 PM

QUOTE(calvin @ Aug 16 2006, 07:42 PM)

For two years now I, Barbara Kerr, have kept silent regarding the happenings surrounding one of my best friends, Linda Shelton. I am one of those ministries referred to in Dr. Abrahamsen's letter that was affected adversely by the split of the Shelton marriage. June 1st, 2004, all of Linda's programming was taken off of the air. By default, my ministry seemingly disappeared overnight as we had taped 99% of all of my cooking programs together.

I didn't know anything was wrong until the first week of May 2004. (I was in Italy the entire month of April and was not available to Linda.) As soon as I heard the rumors that she had "run off" with a Norwegian doctor, I called Linda (she was at 3ABN not in Norway). I jumped in my car the next day with my friend Claudia, and we made the 11-hour drive to West Frankfort, IL. We stayed three days and had an opportunity to visit with both Danny and Linda.

I would like to stop here and say that by my not being a "paid" employee of 3ABN, I have had a unique opportunity watching employees come and go. In seven years of volunteering at this ministry, I really got a feel for their personalities versus their characters. I also watched in horror, as some people would work so hard to position themselves to climb the ladder of success. You could see "pride of position" stamped on their foreheads as they walked the halls searching desperately for fame. It's no wonder Linda and Danny both have become leery over the years of people trying to become their "friends". It's unfortunate that people will use people, but this is the real world after all, and God warns us that "whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant, and whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

I had the privilege of meeting many Godly people while volunteering at 3ABN who were the same off of camera as they were when the cameras were rolling. I would have to say that was especially true of Linda Shelton. She was as sweet, charming, spiritual and innocent off camera as she was on! If that was the only statement that I had to make about Linda, it would be enough, for each of you saw the "real" Linda as she held out her hand in prayer on every "Presents" program.

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Danny is a very powerful man. Maybe the most powerful man in the SDA church and his influence is felt far and wide. When he doesn't like you he has no problem picking up the phone to call conference presidents and heads of ministries. I have personally felt his wrath, and its consequences by standing up to him, asking hard questions (when everyone else was afraid too) and continuing to be a friend to Linda and support her through this nightmare. snip.....

God be praised! Barbara, thank you for your testimony. It took a lot of courage, but I praise God for his timing. LET THE REDEEMED OF THE LORD SAY SO! We are praying for you and your family along with your ministry.

Sincerely,
Chez

Posted by: Jvat Aug 19 2006, 06:11 AM

Skyhook, welcome to the forum. Pray tell, why your reservation about Kay Kuzma?

Posted by: Skyhook Aug 19 2006, 09:14 AM

Hi Jvat. Thanks for the welcome. Kay Kuzma's columns in the Review have given wrong messages. In one, she implicitly supported the situation in which kids were told by their Sabbath School leaders to bring rakes to church. After church they went out in the neighborhood and raked leaves for people, thus teaching children that "doing good on the Sabbath" is OK. If I recall, someone had written in to ask if that was wrong. The question needed a clear and direct answer that Kuzma did not give.

Another time a new Adventist woman had written to complain that services were boring in the SDA church she was attending. She said she missed the services in Her previous denomination, which she described as having modern music and more upbeat, enthusiastic services. It sounded like a Pentecostal type church. The lady said she was thinking of attending her former Sunday church that she enjoyed so much. Kuzma encouraged her to do so as long as she didn't give up keeping the Sabbath. Kuzma said she also enjoyed a more charismatic (not her word) service as well.

My point is that it is dangerous to willingly and knowingly attend services where error is taught. Especially spiritualism as in the Pentecostal churches, and most of the Evangelicas for that matter.

Posted by: steffan Aug 19 2006, 02:01 PM

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
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Posted by: calvin Aug 19 2006, 02:18 PM

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So Steffan (if that is a real name) what is your real name, your identity?  I don't know anything more about you than I do of Sister. I don't take issue with your right to post an opinion here. But please spare us the self-righteous indignation. Don't admonish anyone for not revealing their identity if you won't do the same.

Posted by: sonshineonme Aug 19 2006, 02:26 PM

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(round two - here we go)

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If you trust Kay, you have a lot to learn about who she helps, why she helps them, and if she even wants to help them, with her God given skills. BTW, Barb and "sister" are not related, but I'm sure you knew that already.

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keeping *his people* in the dark on truth - you may want to settle down a bit and reevaluate it all again...MSO

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I don't see your name anywhere...who are you? Where are you?

Posted by: Jvat Aug 19 2006, 02:26 PM

Skyhook, thank you for your explanation. There seems to be a strong impression that 3ABN has a pentecostal bent that is unacceptable as an SDA spouting organisation.

Stefan, welcome to the forum. Seems like that is my job today and I do not mind. Have you really heard what Danny said about his wife from the start? Don't you think that that was very unchristian in the first place? Have you heard of all the trashing that Danny does of Linda? So do you think that you are fair in your accusations here at all?

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let's not do the picture Clay. Don't want to run the new guy off because of name calling.

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Posted by: Lucyladye Aug 19 2006, 03:35 PM

Hey.....pardon me....but isn't ignorance bliss?

Posted by: Clay Aug 19 2006, 03:38 PM

fair enough Calvin... after 10 posts, if he is still ummmm posting like he is clueless.... he gotta get the

sign.....

Posted by: Clay Aug 20 2006, 09:57 AM

since Fitzhume made his appearance the thread veered off in another direction and thus the thread was split.....

if you want to respond to anything Fitzhume brought up do it here...

<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?showtopic=10551>

I will move comments made in response to him there....

I moved one comment by Re' that can go in both places so I am quoting it here.....

QUOTE

Re said:

QUOTE(Clay @ Aug 20 2006, 11:15 AM) □

as I suspected... you have no evidence... you have reacted to the info but produced none of your own... in fact I suspect you haven't even read all the material here... over 2 yrs worth..... so you don't even have enough info to make a logical determination of what is slander and what isnt...

As for your other comment if bsda is for bsda's... you haven't been here long enough to determine that either.... about the best you can say is that it probably is not for you....

take care...

...and this is sad.....

It's fine to come and debate the facts/fiction/"real" truth - but to just state "stuff/things" and not have any backup? No proof? No "research" that proves the point. I agree Clay.... maybe BSDA is not for you....because one thing that I can admit is a lie - BSDA is for me....



QUOTE(J. Fitzhume @ Aug 20 2006, 11:32 AM) □

What do you mean, "Am I serious?" I don't play games and I take no prisoners. Just because I am not one of the "yes" group, that mindlessly jump on the scandal wagon and ride it into the sunset. Oh, give me at least someone with an original thought here.

To answer your question, you are not giving money to a person. You are giving it to a cause, a ministry and lifeline for tens of thousands of people. What is it about that concept that people find so difficult to fathom. We are used to separatism and extractism and all manners of prejudice. We are given or to minds that thirst for tabloids and fables and fancy concoctions. Our focus should be single.

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I have only had to do this one other time on this board - but I feel the need to do it now. You Sir/Madam have some serious diagnosable mental issues to feel that we "should not care what Mr. Shelton has done."

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I wonder if you even considered the fact that other members on this site have been molested by folks *just like* Danny Shelton - men in powerful positions/in the church. Sadly...

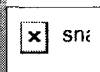
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You are so off. Bless your heart - you could say the sky is blue and that the son is hot and I wouldn't believe you.

Why?

Because you killed all you credibility.

Yes we should pray for him (Danny Shelton) but to state that we shouldn't "care" about the stank, hideous, crimes he has done? May you not have children/grandchildren/great-grandchildren that are molested by Danny Shelton himself or a man such as him with power within the church.



Posted by: justme Aug 20 2006, 10:08 AM

QUOTE(J. Fitzhume @ Aug 20 2006, 10:32 AM)

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Who cares if Danny is a "child molester"?

answer: the child cares

he law cares

he church cares

God himself cares

or if Danny is a "closet homosexual with fetishes",, let's just point that out to all the viewers of 3ABN and let them answer that question for you.

Here's a news flash for you: DAnny is not "the chosen one". Jesus is!
DAnny is not deserving of "respect for the leadership". He has none!
Danny apparently was asked to "build a TV station that would declare the "Undiluted Three Angels Message to the world. To counteract the counterfeit". Ley us consider that as being "DONE". It has been built. He did that job. Now it was not his job to become the "Face of Adventism". You're looking at the wrong end. So he built the station. Now get out of the way and let God's face be seen.

"Undiluted Three Angels MESSAGES". That disappeared long time ago.; when your brought in all his family-grown "Country Gospel Music Amateurs" to use up the airtime that belongs to the "Undiluted Three Angels Messages". Then fills the administrative offices with Pentacostals. Hardly "Undiluted" in every respect!

Posted by: jodi Aug 20 2006, 05:27 PM

Thank you, Barbara, for standing firm on principle and having the courage to let the rest of the world know a little of what REALLY went on, not only while you worked at 3ABN those seven years, donating your time and talents to help others to never get as sick as you once were, but especially in the last two years when you chose to stay by Linda's side and remain her friend!

My heart goes out to both you and Linda for everything you have endured by incurring Danny's wrath. My prayers are for you to remain firm in your resolve to keep your eyes on Jesus, where our strength and help comes from (Psalm 29:11). God will bless you both!



Paul tells us in Romans 12:19 "...Vengeance is Mine, I will repay, says the Lord." The Biblical Golden Rule is: "As you have done, it shall be done to you; Your reprisal shall return upon your own head." Obadiah 12:15.

These promises tell me that God will deal with Danny...Surely he has to know a record of his life is being carefully recorded and he will give an accounting to God Himself!

As for you and Linda, I feel certain that God will open doors for you and give you much more than you could ever imagine! My prayer is that you will be richly blessed in whatever you do!

Posted by: Truly Blonde Aug 24 2006, 07:27 PM

QUOTE(watchbird @ Aug 16 2006, 07:16 PM)

 sig Barbara for taking those risks. Truly you deserve an angel award  angel.gi

And the more who take the risks the more the risks will be minimized, for Danny Shelton is nothing at all by himself. The only thing that gives him power is the Church administrators and financiers who bow at his feet and do his bidding.

May the day come quickly when our administrators will have the knowledge to form correct convictions, and the courage to act based upon those convictions rather than from fear of losing finances. Hopefully some of them will be strong in the Lord enough to realize that the thing that is closing the pocketbooks of our church members is their failure to act in appropriate ways to those who give threats. Once they step out in faith and refuse to be held hostages to a few deep pockets, God can open the windows of heaven and supply all of their needs!

Thank you again Barbara for your witness.

And thank you Calvin and all your BSDA team for providing the public place where it can be seen by all who come by.

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I have not heard an update on what is happening with Garwyn McNeilus and his money in the past few days. Does anyone know if our GC president has given in to Garwyn's demands of leaving Danny in his position or he'll take his money out of Global missions? And is there a public record of just how much money (percentage) that Garwyn contributes to that ministry?

I really hope the reports are not true (regarding Garwyn threatening the GC). If they are, I would hate to be in his shoes, for he is not threatening the church, he is threatening God. Money is considered a talent. The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away! Oh boy

Posted by: Barbara Kerr Aug 24 2006, 09:40 PM

QUOTE(steffan @ Aug 19 2006, 03:01 PM) □

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My conclusion?

I think Linda Shelton is a two-faced liar who writes so sweetly of wanting to support the 3ABN ministry and being its biggest prayer warrior and yet, at the same time, encourages so-called friends like Barbara Kerr writing these trash filled postings.

And yes, my name and email is out there. I don't hide like "sister" does.

Hi Steffan,

You sound angry. I'm sorry that my letter came across to you as hurtful, but it was time to write down what had been happening.

You say that none of Danny's supporters make sleazy or slanderous comments. Clearly you haven't spent any time on the phone with Dan. He has had plenty of sleazy things to say about his wife and only a few of them were posted in my letter. It would not have been possible to write a letter that encompassed absolutely everything that transpired in the last two years. I have given people the condensed version of what I had experienced between the two Sheltons.

John Lomacang referred to Linda as "the Devil herself". I don't know about you, but coming from a pastors lips that seems pretty inflammatory and slanderous.

I'm sorry that you feel it necessary to refer to Linda as a "two-faced-liar". She is one of the most gentle, sweet and kind people I have ever known. I'm sorry that you never really saw her when she was on the programs. That *was* the real Linda. It still is.

The more I think about your angry outburst, the more I suspect that you actually have had a conversation with Dan. He's really smooth, isn't he?

And as far as being a "so-called-friend" of Linda, no, go right ahead and call me her friend! I'm not ashamed or embarrassed to be called her friend because that is what I am. A friend. And until you or Danny or anyone else can show me a Bible text that says I should turn my back on my friend, I'll be right there supporting her through this nightmare.

And in comment to your accusing me of my letter being a "trash-filled-posting", I would say,

- 1) If the truth is trash, then according to your definition, that's what it is,... but it's still the truth.
- 2) I have come to a point spiritually in my life where I can "pray for justice" and be "at peace" with Danny at the same time.
- 3) I had a wonderful time at 3abn and I made some terrific friends and met a lot of really nice people. I wouldn't trade my experience for anything. Even you I suspect that I know. So whoever you really are, just know that I love you and I'll be praying that God will show you the truth of the situation and that he will take away your anger.

Warmly,
Barbara Kerr

Posted by: Observer Aug 25 2006, 07:29 AM

You, Steffan, said: "Here's the truth I found. Every Linda Shelton supporter makes outrageous and slander-filled claims. Ok, let me restate it. Every Linda Shelton supporter writes in a way that is slanted to slander and sleaze."

I am a strong supporter of Linda.

Please post where I have made outrageous and slander filled claims. Or, please post where I have posted in a manner to slander and sleaze.

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I have several written messages from the above that do exactly that.

No, I have not posted them publicly as I do not want to post such slander and sleaze.

You have made an inaccurate statement.

Posted by: Johann Aug 25 2006, 02:52 PM

QUOTE(Barbara Kerr @ Aug 25 2006, 04:58 AM)

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3ABN has been thought of as a non-profit, but recent investigations indicate that 3ABN has to be re-structured in order to meet the legal requirements for a non-profit organization. The present board does not seem to qualify, according to certain investigations.

Posted by: Truly Blonde Aug 25 2006, 03:22 PM

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What we can do is to write to

The General Conference of Seventh-day Adventist

and to the following SDA sponsored TV programs requesting they use 3ABN no more, but rather support HOPE, the official TV network of our Church.

It involves the following programs:

Fath for Today
Voice of Prophecy
Amazing Facts
Pioneer Memorial Church
Gospel Outreach
It Is Written
Walter Pearson

You could also write to

The Quiet Hour, but that is an Independent Ministry, as far as I know.

If you know of some pastors who appear on 3ABN you can also write to them and "suggest" they do not

support 3ABN in the future.

Some of the programs mentioned above are seriously considering not appearing on 3ABN any more This is a bold decision, and they need your support.

Posted by: Expression Aug 25 2006, 03:55 PM

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The right way of handling offenders is through their local church. No one else can discipline a church member, not even the General Conference. Danny Shelton has safeguarded himself by being the unofficial "proprietor", not only of the sanctuary, but of the church pastor and the church board. Officially the church is under the Illinois Conference, but the church is governed by a stron man.

Posted by: msraccoon Aug 25 2006, 04:36 PM

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Posted by: September Aug 25 2006, 09:03 PM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 25 2006, 10:58 PM)

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I believe that was stated when that 10 commandments day was going on in DC...it was reported then that 3abn was/is an offshoot of the SDA church. I forget when all that was--but don't think it was too long ago. I work tomorrow so am off to bed now, but perhaps I can get back with you after the weekend.

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At 10:10PM central time, the 3ABN website still showed an appointment to go to the Palm Springs SDA Church.

"Please Join Danny & Tommy Shelton and Steve Darmondy

Sabbath, September 9, 2006

**Palm Springs SDA Church
620 South Sunrise Way
Palm Springs, CA 92264**

**Contact Person: Pastor Charles Mitchell
Church Phone: 760-327-5112**

Services:

**Sabbath School 10:00 AM PST
Morning Worship 10:45 AM PST**

Sabbath Afternoon With Danny 2:00 - 3:30 PM PST"

Upon checking the Palm Springs SDA Church website it said nothing about 3ABN coming to Palm Springs SDA Church.

The contact information for the Palm Springs SDA Church is:

Contact Us

Mailing Address:

**620 South Sunrise way
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Phone: (760) 327-5112

Fax: (760) 322-6702

Church Email: ps7thday@1access.net

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It was in connection with the Ten Commandment Day, about a month ago. It has been referred to here on BSDA earlier.

Posted by: IMM Aug 25 2006, 09:40 PM

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There are comments from the assistant director of ANN later in the article but are not connected in anyway to 3ABN and make no reference to it what so ever. If there is another article where this is done I would love to know where that is.

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<http://www.caymannetnews.com/cgi-script/csArticles/articles/000042/004229.htm>

Adventist Channel and 3ABN

Thursday, July 27, 2006

Dear Sir:

3ABN is not an Adventist channel. 3ABN is not owned, operated or funded by any church, denomination or organization, so people from all cultures and backgrounds appreciate 3ABN programming. Nevertheless many of 3ABN's employees and volunteers are members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Even the fact that Dr Jeffrey Thompson, president, Cayman Islands Conference, Seventh-day Adventists was inspecting the new transmitter, the Channel has not become an Adventist channel. There are some cooperation agreements between 3ABN and the Adventists for using 3ABN facilities to spread the gospel. That's it.

Thank you for making this distinction.

Adventist Press Service (APD)
Basel, Switzerland

Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Aug 25 2006, 10:13 PM

Greetings! I have been reading a lot of posts here for the last two days because a friend who knows both Danny and Linda directed me here.

I have to say that I am sad to read about the sorry state of a ministry that I count as the vehicle that directed me me back to my Savior. I was pretty much floundering in my lost condition until a daily dose of 3abn brought me back to Bible study. I still am watching and garnering such blessings. I also am a firm believer in seeking truth. That's why I am here.

One of my big concerns is, why don't either Danny or Tommy show up on the Megan's Law sites? Have neither been prosecuted? If not why not?

If they truly are guilty of sexually assaulting girls and boys, why haven't they been charged?

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It also includes the Three Angels Broadcasting Network, the organization that started giving away 270,000 copies of the book "Ten Commandments Twice Removed" on Thursday. The ministry, a growing offshoot of the Adventist church, said it hoped to draw 10,000 people last night and today to "Ten Commandments Weekend," an event at the D.C. Armory featuring music and sermons about the commandments.

There are comments from the assistant director of ANN later in the article **but are not connected in anyway to 3ABN and make no reference to it what so ever.** If there is another article where this is done I would love to know where that is.

- fhb

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Did you catch that?

Hmmmm, a spokesman for the SDA church, and he was **not** from (nor apparently endorsed in any way by)

3ABN. I'd wager most people reading that statement will/did view it as the denomination distancing themselves.

Posted by: beartrap Aug 25 2006, 10:31 PM

Fallible Human Being,

I am fully aware that you are NOT Danny Shelton. Your writing evidences that fact that you are an educated person. Any person who might question this should take a look at Danny's disjointed, rambling, poorly spelled, grammatically challenged, and entirely off-topic reply to Dr. Abrahamsen on the Adventist Today website, and compare it with the smooth, educated writing of FHB. Anyone who has a number of emails from Danny on their computer can make the same comparison.

I am sorry, FHB, that you have been so horribly insulted here on BSDA as to have been mistaken for Danny. My deepest condolences.

Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Aug 25 2006, 10:45 PM

I guess I don't yet understand how to post here. I'll try again tomorrow.

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 25 2006, 10:48 PM

QUOTE(IMM @ Aug 25 2006, 11:24 PM)

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How many world headquarters for the other denominations indicated they were officially there taking part in the activities. The activities revolved around the potential marriage of church and state (the real crux of the issue that spawned the Ten Commandments Day activities). 3ABN distanced itself from this issue via its statement that while they feel the decalogue is crucial to life, that they did not agree with the other participants political agendas. Its focus was to get out the word about the Ten Commandments, not fight for their appearance on federal property.

The church also, because of its long history of striving against a union between church and state could not step over that line and be officially involved. Their statement was premised on that, the drive to maintain a strong separation of church and state, and not in an attempt to distance itself from 3ABN. The direct quote in the following paragraph (11) supports this:

"Where I need the Ten Commandments is in my heart," Mark Kellner, assistant director of the Adventist

News Network, said. "It does no good for me to have it sitting in the Montgomery County Courthouse."

It is that paragraph that links the non-participation to the underlying theme for most of the individuals (meaning all those connected with the Wexler part of the weekend) there that weekend - that being a belief that the Ten Commandments should be displayed on government property. It is not a statement about 3ABN.

- fhb

Posted by: inga Aug 25 2006, 11:06 PM

QUOTE(Johann @ Aug 25 2006, 09:50 PM)

The General Conference has dealt 3ABN a blow by declaring 3ABN an "offshoot" as published in the Washington Post recently. This has opened many people's eyes to what is going on.

Hi Johann,

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God works in mysterious ways ...

Posted by: beartrap Aug 25 2006, 11:47 PM

Perhaps someone could ask Danny what happened a week or two ago when he took his jet to Silver Spring to drop in on Jan Paulsen. Perhaps someone could ask him if Paulsen refused to see him. Perhaps someone could ask if the words, "I don't want to see him now, and I don't want to see him later" mean anything to him.

Perhaps someone could also ask Danny why he was cancelled in Palm Springs. Perhaps they could also ask why a 3ABN representative called another church in the Palm Springs area to get the rally moved there, and found that 3ABN is not welcome in that church either.

Posted by: Panama_Pete Aug 26 2006, 12:09 AM

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Perhaps the Latin phrase, *persona non grata* (a person who for some reason is not wanted or welcome), is a more precise description than the word offshoot. In that case, the situation wouldn't come with published documentation. Yet, we are now hearing that something along these lines seems to be occurring in various places.

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inge, It looks like we are almost there. That word "offshoot" was further investigated by a person who has started an avalanche which will soon be seen.

Posted by: Clay Aug 26 2006, 02:25 AM

interesting... it seems as though we are indeed approaching critical mass.....

QUOTE

Critical Mass - An amount or level needed for a specific result or new action to occur.

Posted by: inga Aug 28 2006, 12:36 AM

Thank you for sharing this, beartrap.

Thank God that Jan Paulsen is a man of principle not cowed by the threat of funds withheld by Danny's mentor!! His refusal to bow under the threat of money withheld opens the way for God to open the floodgates of heaven!

May God give Him and His fellow administrators wisdom regarding how best to deal with this cancer in our

midst!

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Posted by: Daryl Fawcett Sep 1 2006, 07:32 PM

Has there been any further updates on this latest stuff?

Posted by: howdy Sep 1 2006, 07:54 PM

pPuleese folks I cant hold my breath much longer! :-)

Posted by: Lucyladye Sep 1 2006, 08:03 PM

Didn't know if you were aware, Jan Paulsen recently lost his mother. She was in Norway at the assisted living home where she had been residing. Elder Paulsen was able to visit with her just a few days before her death.

Posted by: software100 Sep 3 2006, 03:21 PM

For give me , but what under the sun are all these administrators and pastors, and Godly men holding this man up for as if he has done nothing wrong , It makes me sick do they think he is a God , why are our book and bible houses still selling his stuff, and why is he connected with our church, he has become ever thing we are suppoed to dislike. I hope some one high up in our church gets some guts, and tells this thing to leave our door steps, I love the Lord with all my heart, but men like this make me SICK I say kick him to the curb before he dishonors God anymore then he has,

Thank you Barbara for your letter may continue to bless you, you have on stated what most of us knew all along, and may God be with Linda

Posted by: JustTana Sep 5 2006, 08:27 AM

I'm still learning -- that post was for something else altogether. Sorry!

Posted by: Fat Burns Jan 23 2007, 04:54 PM

QUOTE(msraccoon @ Aug 25 2006, 02:36 PM)

Johann: Maybe the RIGHT way to discipline is thru the local church. But is it the ONLY way? Are you saying that the Illinois or General Conference have no teeth without a local church support?

I do like your idea of writing to Voice of Prophecy, etc. I am going to draft a hopefully "effective" letter during the weekend. Got to do what I can.

msraccoon

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Welcome, Fat Burns. We pray God will cleanse the powerful tool and make it more effective in proclaiming His Truth to the world!

Posted by: Fat Burns Jan 23 2007, 05:09 PM

I didn't thank Barbara for her courage. I have wondered for a long time what had happenesto her. Thank you Barbara.

When I said God was using 3ABN, I was thinking of David and how he treated Bathsheba's husband . I think this went on for at least a couple years before God sent a prophet to set him straight. David recognized his error and agonized before God for forgiveness. I know HE is going to take care of this problem also in HIS time. I don't want to see 3ABN lost. I just want to see it straightened out.

Thank you again for listening Fat Burns

Posted by: beartrap Jan 23 2007, 06:24 PM

QUOTE(Fat Burns @ Jan 23 2007, 05:54 PM)

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Posted by: Snoopy Jan 23 2007, 06:41 PM

QUOTE(beartrap @ Jan 23 2007, 06:24 PM)

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Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Jan 23 2007, 07:11 PM

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Welcome Fat Burns! Who has an angry glass eye?

Posted by: watchbird Jan 23 2007, 07:11 PM

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Remember that books are written after the story has reached a climax, a resolution, and an end point. Participants can keep diarys... but they cannot write books until there is closure on the story. Not even the beginnings of a story can be told until the writer is able to look at it from the perspective of its ending.

Patience people. There will come a time for the retrospectives. Until then.... there must be enough said to warn those who need to be warned.... but not enough to further wound the victims, the innocents, and "the walking wounded... whose wounds are not on view".

Posted by: Johann Jan 23 2007, 11:06 PM

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When you start telling lies it can be hard to stop telling lies. Only TRUTH will make you free!!!

Posted by: JustTana Jan 29 2007, 06:37 PM

QUOTE(PeacefullyBewildered @ Jan 23 2007, 08:11 PM)

Welcome Fat Burns! Who has an angry glass eye?

Howdy and



Fat Burns

Angry glass eye?! Who is that again?

JT

Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Jan 31 2007, 08:19 PM

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Posted by: husbandoftheyear Jan 31 2007, 09:14 PM

QUOTE(PeacefullyBewildered @ Jan 31 2007, 09:19 PM)

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Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Jan 31 2007, 09:54 PM

QUOTE(husbandoftheyear @ Jan 31 2007, 08:14 PM)

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Thanks for the clarification, HOTY!

Posted by: Fran Jan 31 2007, 10:45 PM

QUOTE(husbandoftheyear @ Jan 31 2007, 09:14 PM)

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So, he is blind in one eye and can't see out of the other? I'm kind of blind in one eye and sometimes can't see out of the other one either. Mine is a choice issue, I choose what my good eye sees.

Posted by: husbandoftheyear Feb 1 2007, 07:04 PM

QUOTE(Fran @ Jan 31 2007, 11:45 PM)

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Posted by: Fran Feb 1 2007, 08:42 PM

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Posted by: husbandoftheyear Feb 1 2007, 09:03 PM

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Posted by: princessdi Feb 1 2007, 09:06 PM

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QUOTE(husbandoftheyear @ Feb 1 2007, 07:03 PM)

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Posted by: husbandoftheyear Feb 1 2007, 09:07 PM

QUOTE(princessdi @ Feb 1 2007, 10:06 PM)

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Posted by: princessdi Feb 1 2007, 09:09 PM

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(Does anyone say that anymore??)

Posted by: Hersheys99 Feb 1 2007, 10:21 PM

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Posted by: PaperTigers Feb 1 2007, 10:23 PM

QUOTE(Hersheys99 @ Feb 2 2007, 12:21 AM)

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HERSH
be nice to HOTY !!

Posted by: princessdi Feb 1 2007, 10:44 PM

What???? You go, Boy!!!



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Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Feb 2 2007, 10:17 PM

QUOTE(Fat Burns @ Feb 2 2007, 08:48 PM)

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What book was that?

Posted by: Skyhook Feb 2 2007, 11:03 PM

If he has a glass eye its the only one I've ever seen that moves.

Posted by: Bystander Feb 3 2007, 12:01 AM

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Posted by: Fran Feb 3 2007, 02:28 AM

QUOTE(Bystander @ Feb 3 2007, 12:01 AM)

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Was Linda EVER in the good graces of the Shelton family?

No reply needed. I still think the law coming up in Texas is a good law. Let's see what was the penalty in Jesus time?

Now he forgave Mary and told her to go and sin no more. I assume she did just that. I would suggest that your loss of sight in one eye has affected you with a very cloudy vision of sin.

I do not believe my comment about Tommy and Texas is the reason you have chosen not to speak to me! You are afraid of what I have to say about the finances and Linda. Those things you fear like the plague.

Rightly so too..

So I will have to talk finances without you. So sorry. It is about time to talk about Linda again. She is a model for all Adventist women. She gives us courage and strength through leading us to Jesus.

All you do is take, take, and take. Enjoy your gloating joy ride for what it is worth tonight for tomorrow tears will come.

Posted by: Ralph Feb 3 2007, 04:19 AM

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Posted by: wwjd Feb 4 2007, 07:16 PM

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Posted by: Johann Feb 6 2007, 07:43 AM

Here is the previous letter from Barbara Kerr that should be read again. It is a first-person testimony.

QUOTE(calvin @ Aug 17 2006, 02:42 AM)

For two years now I, Barbara Kerr, have kept silent regarding the happenings surrounding one of my best friends, Linda Shelton. I am one of those ministries referred to in Dr. Abrahamsen's letter that was affected adversely by the split of the Shelton marriage. June 1st, 2004, all of Linda's programming was taken off of the air. By default, my ministry seemingly disappeared overnight as we had taped 99% of all of my cooking programs together.

I didn't know anything was wrong until the first week of May 2004. (I was in Italy the entire month of April and was not available to Linda.) As soon as I heard the rumors that she had "run off" with a Norwegian doctor, I called Linda (she was at 3ABN not in Norway). I jumped in my car the next day with my friend Claudia, and we made the 11-hour drive to West Frankfort, IL. We stayed three days and had an opportunity to visit with both Danny and Linda.

snip.....

or the complete letter.... here is the link:

<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?showtopic=10489&st=0&p=145498&#entry145498>

post edited for length, link provided....

Posted by: caribbean sda Feb 6 2007, 07:53 AM

QUOTE(Bystander @ Feb 3 2007, 02:01 AM)

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could care less if the man had a golden eye...but then again...maybe he does..

Posted by: Barbara Kerr Feb 6 2007, 02:53 PM

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Barb

Posted by: Johann Feb 6 2007, 04:56 PM

QUOTE(Barbara Kerr @ Feb 6 2007, 10:53 PM)

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Barb

Thank you Barb, but this is even more true of most of the people posting on this net.

Jinda called just a little while ago, telling me a secret that I cannot reveal just now. But again I saw what a

great girl she is.

- We want to make sure the Lord is glorified in all of this, she said. I will not make any defense without making a spiritual application.

So this is the message to us all from Linda.

Posted by: PrincessDrRe Feb 6 2007, 09:37 PM


It's about to be on and poppin'!!!



Posted by: JustTana Feb 24 2007, 12:33 PM

Hello All Administrators:

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JT

Posted by: calvin Feb 24 2007, 06:53 PM

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Posted by: JustTana Feb 25 2007, 02:44 PM

QUOTE(calvin @ Feb 24 2007, 07:53 PM)

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Thanks for helping me understand, Boss.

Posted by: Johann Apr 3 2007, 01:34 AM

QUOTE(seraph|m @ Apr 3 2007, 02:19 AM) □

Who is that "strong" man. And doesn't scripture speak of a strong man somewhere?

In a conversation with one of the persons close to the top in our church I was told that the self-appointed pope of the Seventh-day Adventist Church who resides in Southern Illinois has a tremendous power with his financial backing. Therefore a number of Church leaders, especially in North America, fear mammon more than God.

This person urged me to appeal to as many as possible that we pray the Creator of Heaven and Earth may gain the Power through His Word and Spirit to be the guiding influence in our lives, that His work may soon be finished on earth.

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Posted by: Noahswife Apr 3 2007, 07:40 AM

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