

March 2001 Guestbook

Remote User:

Date: 22 Mar 2001

Time: 22:44:20

Comments:

I liked this site very much. Praise the Lord your faith allowed you the strength to step out with this kind of courage.

Remote User:

Date: 26 Mar 2001

Time: 23:28:42

Comments:

To Silentlambs and family,

I would like to tell you that your efforts and strong courage has enabled many to find their own courage to tell others what happened to them and to finally be able to start down the long road of recovery. May all your efforts and all your family be blessed for the trials and tribulations ahead for you and yours. We are all very proud and happy to know there are people like you that make every effort to help others. Thank you so very much.

Remote User

Date: 28 Mar 2001

Time: 10:02:39

Comments:

Bravo! It takes real leadership and courage to step forth and do what you have done. As a parent, everything that I do is for my children and as sure as God made air to breathe, every parent has a responsibility to make every effort to protect the children. When a huge, non-profit printing corporation in the guise of a "religion" not only goes so far as to "mentally regulate" its adherents but goes as far as to make it difficult for a parent to protect his flock ... well ... it's about time that such policy and behavior is made known earth-wide. God Bless

Remote User:

Date: 29 Mar 2001

Time: 08:51:45

Comments:

Not only is this a factual site, it is also a place where, those who have been victims, can HEAL. A site where one can turn and be HEARD! Thank you! God bless anyone who just helps! Lexxus Lashley LexALia@aol. com

April 2001 Guestbook

Date: 01 Apr 2001

Time: 21:51:39

Comments:

JEAN KRAUS-MIDAJOOAJU@AOL. COM NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR FOR THE MINT GREEN RIBBON CAMPAIGN--HTTP://WWW1. MINN. NET/~HMM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Remote User

Date: 01 Apr 2001

Time: 22:14:28

Comments:

What a wonderful, informative, necessary site for those misused and abused Witnesses. I certainly hope that those who read this find comfort in the thought that there are many others out there who have lived through the same horrifying ordeal. It disgusts me to think that an organization that claims to represent God's people safely harbors sexual perpetrators. And to think that I was a part of this organization for 15 years and supported all their decisions printed in the Watchtower magazines makes me ill. I see now the strong hold this organization has on the innocent people that have put faith and trust in the Society. May Jehovah God forgive those that have erred so horribly against his small children. DCH former Jehovah's Witness and Regular Pioneer alba fresca@aol. com

Remote User

Date: 02 Apr 2001

Time: 11:40:40

Comments:

Hello, I'm currently a JW and what I think you are doing is absolutely wonderful. The society needs a good clean out.

Remote User

Date: 02 Apr 2001

Time: 23:52:46

Comments:

They say "wait on Jehovah". Thru sites such as "silent lambs" the loving creator IS acting. It is written in Scripture that there is nothing hidden that will not be exposed. May Jah's blessing continue to be with you, Love and compassion, walter. e-mail: belbab@hotmail. com

Remote User

Date: 06 Apr 2001

Time: 23:32:07

Comments:

Silentlamb, My heart goes out to you and your family. I know it takes great courage to do what you are doing and I am sure you will be blessed for all your efforts to help young victims. You are in my prayers. God Bless You! M. Patrick

Remote User

Date: 07 Apr 2001

Time: 21:35:50

Comments:

ONE OF MY GREAT GRAND DAUGHTERS WAS MOLESTED BY HER OWN GRANDFATHER WHO IS A WITNESS AND THE ELDERS DEFENDED HIM AND EVEN WROTE A LETTER TO THE JUDGE. MY GRANDDAUGHTER IS NOT A WITNESS AND THE POLICE WERE CALLED. SOME ACTION WAS TAKEN BUT NOT STRONG ENOUGH AND HE WAS NOT DISFELLOWSHIPED. I FEEL CHILD MOLESTERS SHOULD BE IN JAIL AND THE KEY THROWN AWAY. ALICE RUTHERFORD

Remote User

Date: 10 Apr 2001

Time: 23:12:14

Comments:

HI SHIELA AND DAN IT'S MELINDA. LOVE YOUR WEBSITE. YOU ARE BOTH SO TALENTED. GOT YOUR LETTER TODAY. MAILING YOU A CARD TOMORROW. GAVE JENNY YOUR WEBSITE. DOING MUCH GOOD FOR EVERYONE. I'M VERY PROUD OF YOU BOTH.

LOVE, MELINDA

Date: 11 Apr 2001

Time: 03:22:27

Comments:

Hi,

Your site is very interesting and even of public interest and brings an invaluable help to all the people concerned with this horrible problem, which is the pedophile. I am French and I live in France : four of my children were abused sexually by a member of the witnesses of Jehovah, and this member is one of my brothers. And this "criminal" denies and refuses to recognize the truth, so as to protect himself from the horrors which he subjected to my children and to keep his healthy image. In addition to the evil which it made, it does not hesitate to lie and to dirty our reputation and that of our children.

It is very difficult for ours to make him acknowledge, because he does all that is in his capacity to have the assistance of the other witnesses of Jehovah (included my mother, other brothers and sister).

I was completely disabled, but since very little time, I am relieved, because I now have the assistance of a friend of Quebec. And I found this friend on an Internet site and it took my business in hand and thanks to him, I now rely on the justice of the life. Michel also advised me to consult your site.

I infinitely thank Michel for all his help.

All my friendships

Karine

FARIGU@aol.com

Date: 11 Apr 2001

Time: 17:07:02

Comments:

Thank you for doing this for us.

Pat

Remote User

Date: 17 Apr 2001

Time: 10:57:21

Comments:

Great site, its a shame there are not more like you. Keep up the good work

Remote User:

Date: 18 Apr 2001

Time: 22:13:18

Comments:

Wonderful site, any time child abuse is an issue no matter what face it takes on, it should be put in check. Brave step on your part I respect you for your stand.

Remote User:

Date: April 18, 2001

Time: 10:42 PM

Comments:

Hello

Remote User:

Date: 18 Apr 2001

Time: 23:12:40

Comments:

Great support site, I will be back often to see it grow. Keep up the great work

Remote User:

Date: 19 Apr 2001

Time: 16:26:50

Comments:

I am truly impressed with the way your site is developing. There is excellent information here - very informative as well as inspiring. I would urge all to write their state legislators to inform them of the cover-ups - they are the men/woman who have the ultimate power to enact laws to enforce the mandatory reporting of such cases. Thanks. I'll definitely be returning to the site frequently to see updates.

aZuWitts@webtv.net

Remote User:

Date: 19 Apr 2001

Time: 17:50:28

Comments:

Great site, Silentlambs. If enough people speak out against abuse, it gets harder and harder for the abusers to find victims. A laudable goal. Keep up the good work!

Think41self

Remote User:

Date: 19 Apr 2001

Time: 18:56:05

Comments:

Very nice site, silentlambs, and very informative. I've turned some people here to make them aware. And even a family member who has experienced this themselves. Good luck to you and to your efforts. anonymously, plowbitch69@yahoo.com

Remote User:

Date: 20 Apr 2001

Time: 00:09:17

Comments:

hello, Bill,

i believe in and strongly support what you are doing since making yourself known on H2O back in December.

one question though. on your "pinpoint_a_pedophile" page, you state:

"The purpose of the Survey is to offer a place where you can post information concerning accused, alleged, or convicted pedophiles. "

aren't you putting potentially innocent, although "accused" pedophiles at risk?

just curious. todd tajones@prodigy.net

Remote User:

Date: 20 Apr 2001

Time: 10:29:47

Comments:

Well done, brave sir!

For those of us who have studied the history of the Watchtower Society - whose founder and first President was a child-molester - the strictures of Watchtower policies, written and unwritten, which serve to shield the Organization (and hence often the perpetrator) at the expense of the victim are not seen as arising from sheer chance or incompetence.

There is evidence of design.

-- Focus ("One Who Knows The Beast" Class)

Remote User:

Date: 20 Apr 2001

Time: 19:56:10

Comments:

Thank you for fixing the links! Now I can read this information! From what I have seen in browsing through your site, you've done an excellent job. Soon billions will have access to cheap Internet appliances, and on account of your site they will know the tragic secrets the Watchtower Society has been concealing for so many years.

Remote User:

Date: 21 Apr 2001

Time: 11:08:11

Comments:

It is about time that someone cares enough for those of us who are silent lambs to speak out. Unfortunately, in our world today, society is still trying to keep these horrible acts secret. I am a survivor of abuse but also a forced silent lamb. My silence was not persuaded by the church, but by the officials who are swarm to uphold the law and protect us all. My abuser is the daughter of an ex-police officer and when charges were attempted to be pressed, the county ignored my statements to protect one of their own. When will our society be safe for our children? With people like this "running" our country, never. Thank you for providing a voice for us.

Remote User:

Date: 28 Apr 2001

Time: 16:24:15

Comments:

Dear Bill, Thank you so much for contacting me last week. It made me feel so much better knowing that someone is actually trying to protect the children; who as my mom often put it "children should be seen, and not heard". You urged me to take action; and although I do want to, it is so painful trying to put those hateful actions into words. . . . I will keep trying to get it out. The WT ORG is a breeding ground/paradise for those who try to hurt children Bill keep up the good work, and know that everything you're doing is GREATLY appreciated by those of us who were hurt.

Jessica B

May 2001 Guestbook

Remote User:

Date: 01 May 2001

Time: 11:37:05

Comments:

I just finished reading the two poems and needed to let you know how profoundly I was touched by the pathos and pain of the individual/s who wrote them. To my knowledge as of yet, I have never been the victim of child abuse from my dad although there was an incident with some neighborhood boys when I was a little girl, and fortunately it was just one isolated incident and my mom was very quick to deal with the culprits and inform their parents. Keep fighting, this will be revealed and will be taken care of. I won't say in God's time, because that would be like a slap in the face to the many victims, after hearing the so called concerned elders voice those words so many times. My ex husband was an elder and they had a situation of child abuse in our congregation and to my knowledge, the brother basically denied it ever happened (it was years before) and was kept as an elder in good standing in our congregation. The daughter was told the same things, its your word against his, and you have to leave it in Jehovah's hands. Well, neither my husband nor I were at all comfortable with that and my ex tried to pursue it further but was told by the other elders to leave it alone. The only reason I knew about it was because the sister confided in me one day. My ex was one of the better elders. He kept things confidential and I never asked.

Terri

Remote User:

Date: 01 May 2001

Time: 20:51:58

Comments:

Bill, it is very painful to even remember what happened to me at the hands of Watchtower men, let alone reveal it to anyone. I know that there are other children out there going through what I went through and that they are, likewise, terrified into silence. The silence must be broken so that they can be protected and helped to escape their clutches.

There is an actual ring of pedophiles in this organization who are grooming children for sex. And people need to know about it. Satanism is involved. They use Watchtower doctrine and policy along with threats to terrorize their helpless little victims into silence.

The Society has tried to play down the existence of satanists in this organization, however, there are too many victims to effectively squelch it. As an adult I have met quite a few who also recall having been abused by Jehovah's Witnesses who were also practicing satanism. Some of these ARE elders in various positions in the organization.

Guy Pierce, now of the Governing Body, and another elder personally told me several years ago while he was a Circuit Overseer that the Society had investigated the accusations of satanism and found them to not be true. At the time it was very disconcerting to me to hear that because it made the whole picture I was finally getting defunct. And, I was forced to drop it. I was trying to warn people. Where could I go with what I was beginning to remember if the Society had already said it wasn't so? It makes me cry.

Recently, I was driving to an appointment with an attorney and as I was praying and asking Jehovah what I should say to him, I was shocked when it came to my mind that if the Society applied the same "two witnesses" rule, which they use for determining if a child was truly molested and a perp is guilty, to their investigations into the accusations of satanism and Satanic Ritual Abuse with a network of satanists in this organization which stretches across the country, then it is no wonder that they came up with "nothing. "

As a result, the questions beg to be asked, "Who did the investigations in the first place?" "Is it really Jehovah's will for all of this silence? Or someone else's?" "What is TRULY being protected?" And, in spite of the fact that there are many good people in this organization who don't have a clue about what is going on, the question needs to be addressed, "Is the Watchtower Society really a cover for some other clandestine movement?" "Why are so many good people being hurt in this organization, with no justice, whatsoever, forthcoming. . . all of them being told, myself included, to "wait on Jehovah?" "Why does Watchtower policy protect the bad guy? Not the victim?"

I will write more when I can. Thank you.

VP

Remote User:

Date: 01 May 2001

Time: 23:31:44

Comments:

Silentlambs,

Thank you for all you have done for the abused who have had no one, until now, to hear their cries.

I wish you and your family peace, blessings, and a future of happiness as well as the deep contentment of knowing that you have done something very noble and valiant with your life. You did not look away and cover over what others did. You have done the right thing for the children, never doubt that.

I know that this work that you've done has come with considerable personal cost to you and your family. Your courage is an example to us all, thank you for all you have done, and will yet do.

Love, Lily Paige "Esmeralda" <http://WTSurvivors.homestead.com/index.html>

Remote User:

Date: 04 May 2001

Time: 22:42:48

Comments:

This is a wonderful site. I hope the people who need it most find it.

Racquel Ganton

Remote User:

Date: 05 May 2001

Time: 14:23:26

Comments:

Hi, I am outraged that this type of thing is going on in an organization that calls itself the "truth". I am not now nor have I ever been a Jehovah's witness, but I am married to one, if only he would look at this website, I believe he would be just as sickened as I am. I commend all that have turned in and are trying to right this despicable wrong. From my understanding, Dateline NBC is doing a special investigative report on these incidents, I for one, cannot wait until it airs so that the public can be informed on the real "truth" inside the Watchtower.

God's blessings to you all,

Barbara Naftis

Remote User:

Date: 06 May 2001

Time: 20:14:36

Comments:

Silentlambs, go on!! My best wishes for you. It is necessary to speak the truth out and you are doing a fine work. I am writing from Dominican Republic, where we had no idea of these things happening into the org. Thanks for opening the eyes. Blessings.

Remote User:

Date: 06 May 2001

Time: 20:15:06

Comments:

i believe you!As a former JW who left on my own accord and for that was disfellowshipped,i am aware of the hypocrisy and mind numbing teachings of this religion.

Remote User:

Date: 08 May 2001

Time: 13:51:42

Comments:

I think what you are doing is incredibly courageous, and I know Jehovah looks down very kindly on what you are doing. I wish more of the "shepherds" in the organization had your empathy - we would then have no haven for these "wolves". Keep up the good work!

Remote User:

Date: 11 May 2001

Time: 12:15:33

Comments:

As a lifelong, fourth generation Jehovah's Witness, I have no direct, personal knowledge of any incident of child molestation with the organization. However, I personally have been given warnings on two separate occasions by two different elders. In one instance, my wife's brother, an elder who had sat on many judicial committees and appeals committees, advised my wife and me never to trust ANYONE, even a witness in good standing or a witness family member, to EVER be alone with either of our two small children. On another occasion, my brother, who is an elder, learned that our teenage daughter was spending the night with a witness friend of hers whose grandparents lived in the same home. He informed my wife and me that the friend's grandfather, himself a longtime elder, was a pedophile. If not for the previous advice and the fact that this comment came from my own fleshly brother whom I trust completely, I would have been doubtful of the information. File this entry under "For What It's Worth," please.
<anderson_mccrew@hotmail.com>

Remote User:

Date: 14 May 2001

Time: 16:04:51

Comments:

Silentlamb, Thank you a million times for such a wonderful & informative site!! I pray for you and your family and may many blessing abound you and yours. My parents are still active and I hope and pray that Dateline gives them a wake-up call. I left over 20 years ago. . . . Thank God!! Peace & Blessings, Nico

Remote User:

Date: 15 May 2001

Time: 12:39:52

Comments:

how can you stay in this sick depraved organization of freaks paedophiles and social misfits, it is an evil, stale, mentally damaging organization, and you call the world wicked? It wrecked my family. Satan's work.

Remote User:

Date: 15 May 2001

Time: 18:26:41

Comments:

Bill, the work you are doing is a blessing, and all that you have done to expose the deceitfulness of the Watchtower is proving that they are dirtier than the religions they so ardently speak out against in their literature. I have heard some "witness" complain about "witness bashing". I am nauseated by this term that they love to use. Yet they freely bash every religion, and everyone else who does not agree with them. And they do it hurtfully. I hope they reap the consequences of their actions. What goes around comes around and the Society is due for what comes around to them. Not only have you been an encouragement and an inspiration to me and every other survivor touched by the pain of sexual abuse being denied within this religious community, but you are also hopefully giving others the confidence to come forward, especially other elders who sincerely are pained by what the wicked men in the Watchtower are directing them to do in regards to protecting criminals. I was disgusted and nauseated when I read the letter from the Watchtower Dec. 1992 directing the elders to cover for a murderer. From the personal experience I went through with my family in regards to Sexual Abuse being hidden by elders who were family members, I know this is accurate and worth making known. I honestly feel that in behalf of the victims of the ones who were murdered, who are very likely still in pain over the unsolved mystery of their loved ones murderer, the FBI should know of this. How dare the Watchtower Elders think they are above the law. How dare these men who are nothing more than part time volunteers at a kingdom hall make decisions of life over other human beings. How utterly disgusting. I hope this letter is made public.

Sincerely. A-Roar-er

Remote User:

Date: 16 May 2001

Time: 04:44:39

Comments:

I was shocked and horrified to read of the Society's view towards child molestation. I was raised a Jehovah's Witness, but left the congregation when I was fifteen. Although my story differs somewhat, it is yet another example of how the congregation's elders have abused their power. My sister was raped when she was twenty-four by a man she did not know. The man had come along with my sister's best-friend and her husband to try to find employment in our city. My sister was not comfortable with this man staying at her apartment as he was worldly and she did not know him. She let him stay to watch a movie and then he was going to go stay at a hotel. She felt safe doing this because she was not going to be left alone with him as her best-friend and husband would be there. She also did not want to convey an unfriendly attitude towards him. He had shown some interest in the truth and she did not want to portray the congregation as unsympathetic to a potential study who had traveled quite a distance. Unfortunately, her best-friend and husband decided to go to bed before the movie ended, but my sister didn't think much of it because the movie was almost done. After he was sure everyone in the apartment had gone to sleep he decided to make his move. My

sister spurned his advances emphatically and told him to leave. That's when he decided he was going to have her whether she liked it or not. In other words, he raped her. After it happened, my sister told my father who told her that she must tell the elders about what happened. He thought that they may be able to provide her with spiritual counseling to help her through the aftermath instead of her seeking outside worldly professional help. To make a long story short, they disfellowshipped her. Their reason was that she was guilty of "loose conduct that lead to fornication." They said she should have never had him in her home in first place and then this wouldn't have happened. They also said that because she only told him "NO!" repeatedly and did not scream that she was not emphatic enough and he must have thought she was enjoying it. I lost all faith and respect for the truth the day she was disfellowshipped. I will never step foot in another kingdom hall.

I think what you are doing with this website is very courageous of you. I can only imagine how it felt to finally realize how many young children were hurt because of the society's egotistical beliefs. It's bad enough when children are victimized in the first place, but to then have it happen again at the hands of people who claim to be compassionate and caring is beyond low. Please keep up your efforts, if you can tip off just one parent before it happens to their child you've accomplished your goal. I will leave my e-mail address with you and if there is anything I can do to help, I would be honored to try. I know there is no "heaven" but if there were I'm sure God would have already reserved you your spot. Take care and best of luck in the future.

candacemcfadden@home. com

Remote User:

Date: 18 May 2001

Time: 21:04:12

Comments:

Someone said they're married to a JW and just wish the person would read this website. The thing to do I have found is to summarize the main points of the information along with its sources in a brief letter which you then mail to the spouse. Being human they will read it 95% of the time even though the Watchtower heads have forbidden it countless times. If you verbally try to get the person to look at such information they will usually resist because they are under threat of disfellowshipment etc. But the letter in the mail route is highly effective.

Remote User:

Date: 24 May 2001

Time: 22:40:53

Comments:

I would like to say that this is a great place to let people know what is going on in Jehovah's Witnesses!!!! My email address is loveandkisses_99@hotmail. com

Remote User:

Date: 26 May 2001

Time: 01:08:10

Comments:

The WT Letter box says see the Letter/s but provides no link. It had the letter on the Watchtower Society's telling Florida elders to not tell police (or unsuspecting rank-and-file) a wanted fugitive for murder was attending their hall as a baptized Jehovah's Witness but now the letter's not there. Please fix that.

Remote User:**Date: 27 May 2001****Time: 00:04:29****Comments:**

Hi SilentLambs, I would like to humbly suggest that instead of using the term "Victims" that you change it to "Survivors", or "Victim-Survivors", because, really that is what we all are. We have survived in spite of Watchtower, and your site proves it. A-Roar-er

Remote User:**Date: 27 May 2001****Time: 22:39:50****Comments:**

Although I left the organization many years ago. I had an experience that I would like to relate. Approximately twenty years ago, when I was part of the organization, I was pregnant, I had one of daughters of one our elders baby sit my six year old daughter while my husband and I went to lamaze classes. I came to learn that the daughter of the elder was experimenting with my daughter in a sexual manner. I brought this to the attention of the elders. To this day I am still amazed how they twisted the events and made it my fault. They even went as far as I should somehow try to make up with the wife the elder and the mother of the girl who had babysat my daughter. They made it my daughter (who was six at the time) and my fault. Oh, I should add my husband was an unbeliever and they also faulted me for telling him what had transpired.

Remote User:**Date: 28 May 2001****Time: 00:32:09****Comments:**

How about having a downloadable flyer on your site that could be posted in public places ALL OVER THE COUNTRY letting people know who you are, what's happening, how they can get help, and what we can do to help?

Remote User:

Date: 28 May 2001

Time: 15:58:52

Comments:

Maybe now, after all these years, looks as though something is being done for the silent lambs. It has been so long overdue. Our South Florida support group is anxious to help. Please let us know how best we can do this. We were JW*s from 1931 till December 1981. . . second and third generation until our Lord and Savior rescued us. We were in St. Louis in 1941 as children. . . now we have grand children. . . wonder sometimes what life would have been like had we listened to the judge and not married. We have two sons and a daughter OUT and IN CHRIST. We thank God they were never molested physically. Again, tell us what we can do to help. Our EMail is ruffinit6@juno. com. . . . we are Ray & Marilyn Marsh

Remote User:

Date: 30 May 2001

Time: 09:30:30

Comments:

NBoyd62220@aol. com I live in the Tri-Cities of WA state. There are over 100 registered sex offenders that are dumped here by the state. The top 10 worst sex offenders live here. I have twin daughters, so you can bet we are concerned about this problem. I now have new information about some of the "churches" here thanks to this wonderful site! I think it would be worthwhile to do some investigating of this problem right here because we are such a small community. I can not understand why we have been chosen to be the dumping ground for these sick people, some who are 3 time losers!

Remote User:

Date: 31 May 2001

Time: 20:50:02

Comments:

Thank you so much for this article. I found it shocking. I must inform you that the Catholic Church has priests who also never marry; however they are well aware of the problems in society. Women have active roles in the Church and many are Eucharist Ministers. Since there is a shortage of men entering the priesthood, the future of the Catholic Church may very well be altered to include married men as well as women. May the peace of the Lord be with you, Margo Conklin, Roman Catholic beautyforyoumk@aol. com

June 2001 Guestbook

Remote User:

Date: 02 June 2001

Time: 01:38:26

Comments:

My name is Laura Hubbard, Torrance CA. Fomer congo: Rolling Hills, CA. I was JW for 18 miserable years, which includes the pre "baptism" study time. What a friggin waste of time. I was 16 in 1970 when I began to explore and "study" but had a hard time being pulled away from the church of my life: The Catholic Church. In 1972, at age 18, I was 'baptized' as a JW. Shortly after I began experiencing what is similar to "buyer's remorse. " I was too far gone and too brainwashed by then to listen to that "voice in my head" to get the hell out. That voice was screaming at me. It fell on silent ears. I wasted my youth, I lost the best years of my life to that hideous organization. I was so miserable and unhappy and never felt like I belonged. I was always an outsider. Being a hostage with my terrorists in my 20's and 30's- I lost my youth AND BY REMAINING IN THE ORG I LOST MY RIGHT/ABILITY TO HAVE CHILDREN BECAUSE OF THE FORCED CELIBACY CRAP. I WAS FORCED TO HAVE A HYSTERECTOMY AT AGE 32. I WILL NEVER BE A MOTHER. I WILL NEVER HAVE CHILDREN. I WILL NEVER BE A GRANDMOTHER. I WILL NEVER GET OVER THIS. THERE ISN'T A DAY THAT GOES BY THAT I DON'T GRIEVE MY LOSS. I BLAME THE WTS AND JW'S FOR MY LOSSES. A day late and a dollar short, I began to realize that even though I was severely depressed I would just force myself to go to the "meetings" and instead of feeling better I felt WORSE. The feelings were so unbearable and unpleasant I stopped going altogether. I had a sense of relief as I slowly began to drift away, beginning in 1988. I was without God for 2 years from 88 to 90 and then by numerous coincidences I was drawn back to the Catholic church. I carefully and cautiously returned and to my delight it was NOT the church I left in the 70's due to the Vatican II council implementing all the changes- otherwise I would have never returned. On April 10, 1993, I was fully received into the Church. I felt FREE and finally at spiritual peace. However, in 94, by accident I discovered that JW's were a cult and when I learned that I had been in a cult and brainwashed, etc, I was devastated and went into a tailspin, as I realized it had all REALLY been for nothing and that my wasted youth could have been prevented, etc. I blamed myself, I blamed God (why does he allow these hideous religions in His name? Why didn't he protect me?), I quickly got into therapy and was able to come to terms with my JW past and was able to move on. I did not have a computer, so when I learned of the cult/brainwashing I contacted every ex JW exit expert (Randy Watters, David Reed, etc) and bought over 15 books. I did have major healing. I didn't get a computer until June of 2000 and I now find wonderful support from ex JW's everywhere. I am at spiritual peace now and as far as I'm concerned, that was another lifetime. However, I am learning so many ugly, ugly things about the entire organization AND IT MAKES MY BLOOD BOIL. These sons of bitches, these bastards, these f----g are getting away with "murder. " I AM SO ANGRY ABOUT THIS. I don't know what to do with my anger towards the ORG and JW's. I am feeling such strong, negative emotions I am not used to feeling. I AM SORRY BUT I HATE, HATE, HATE, HATE, HATE, HATE, THE WATCHTOWER SOCIETY, THE ORG, AND JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES. I wish they could be removed from the planet, that is how angry I am and how much I detest them. I can't believe they are getting away with RAPING CHILDREN. This must stop and it must stop NOW!!! What do we do? How do we make the public stand up and DO SOMETHING. Of note, as a Catholic, I also do not appreciate how my church has handled such perverted filth, either. My heart just ACHES for anyone who is part of this website because some perverted adult used power and control over you, threatened you with harm if you told what happened and even had the gall to say the fake "god" jehovah (who DOES NOT EVEN EXIST BY THE WAY) would punish you or kill you at the so called Armageddon (also fake). That is stooping way too low. I believe in one strike and you're out for all child rapists and I believe that they should automatically get the death penalty- no exceptions. PEDOPHILES are brain damaged individuals and are "deformed" for lack of a better word. They are not born with a conscience and do not have the ability to feel empathy, sadness, pity, sympathy or remorse. They were born without these abilities. They cannot be rehabilitated because you need these qualities for insight and to change. Death is the only option for them. They are PREDATORS, and their aim in life is to stalk out their victims, intimidate, shame them, manipulate them, have control over them. Just when I think I am at peace with having been a JW I come across crap like this and it stirs me all up and I get so angry. I am angry because there is nothing, nothing I can do to ease the pain of a child or teen who has been raped by a teen or adult JW and there is nothing I can do to even put a stop to this illegal behavior. I can't do anything to change the JW policy. After just recently learning of these hideous atrocities- I have not been able to sleep at night. I can hear the screams of the lambs. I am just glad to be out of the hell hole known as jehovah's witnesses.

Remote User:

Date: 02 June 2001

Time: 01:51:45

Comments:

I just read my post and noticed that there was no place for my e mail address. Also, the person who posted above me appears to be an active Catholic like me and I am involved in many of the ministries she mentioned. My email is: llhrn@hotmail. com

Again, my heart goes out to all who have found it necessary to find consolation in this website.

Remote User:**Date: 02 June 2001****Time: 08:43:01****Comments:**

My congratulations for exposing this horrid kind of crime and the responsibility that the WTBS has in all of this. It was long overdue.

I am Alma, an exJW who is willing to help those victims who need it. almamira@prtc. net

Remote User:**Date: 04 June 2001****Time: 13:52:15****Comments:**

You are doing a fine work. I am a X-JW. I live in Sweden and have been an elder and pioneer. Some years ago I left the organization. I have been in contact with a women who was raped by here father. The congregation did not do anything.

I will send you in a couple of days a story from Norway. The story was published in Norwegian newspaper. It's about a sister who went to the elders and report that a young girl have been telling her that her father (an elder?) have raped her many times. The elders didn't do anything so she reported it to the police. The JW was arrested the same day. The sister who reported the case was disfellowshipped.

My e-mail is roger. karlsson@goteborg. mail. telia. com

Best regard

Roger Carlsson, Sweden

Remote User:**Date: 04 June 2001**

Time: 21:57:33

Comments:

Hello, My husbands sisters were molested by their father, when this was reported to the Elders in the congregation nothing was done. They were told they were trying to cause trouble in the family. When my husbands mother wanted a divorce because of his victimization of her daughters, they said she had no grounds. This man goes out into service with other children. He keeps toys in his car to give to children. He is a classic pedophile. The way the Jehovah's Witnesses protect these evil spirit crushing criminals makes me ill. Keep up the work and if there is anything I can do to help please contact me at moshimosh I @mediaone. net

Remote User:

Date: 05 June 2001

Time: 08:32:30

Comments:

The more I talk to former JWs, the more I realize how pervasive rape & incest are within in the organization. Even though most JWs are good natured people, the totalitarianism, misogyny, and isolation of the group as a whole makes it fertile ground for sexual abuse of all types. Thank you for making this information public.

bj_rio@yahoo. com

Remote User:

Date: 07 June 2001

Time: 01:25:39

Comments:

Hello, Bill. I agree with all of the many fine comments from those who have posted here. May our heavenly Father and His Son, bless you and your family and those who are helping to support your efforts in providing help and support such as this for the "silent lambs".

I had a JW uncle who had been molesting one of his own daughters for years,until the daughter exposed him to the elders after she became became married and an adult. His activities were kept covered and in each congregation he moved into, he was able to molest children of JW because no one warned that a pedophile had moved into their congregation. This man even molested the child of the daughter he had been molesting for years. She had left her daughter with her mother (my aunt) and gave instructions that she was not to let that baby out of her site! I don't know the full details, but for some reason, the baby's grandfather was able to get to her too. This man had been disfellowshipped a number of times, but would be re-instated because he claimed that he was repentant. Now he is in a nursing home, and fortunately he is no longer able to get a hold of any more children.

My own grandchildren (boy and girl aged 3-4) were both molested by a teenage JW boy my ex daughter-in-law allowed to baby sit for her. She would leave those kids with him both all day and all night. When she found out about his abuse, she did not hesitate to turn him in to the police, because she was so angry at him. (And angry at her self for trusting him too much. The children's father,(my son)tried to warn her about the danger but she would not listen until it was too late. (at that time she and my son were divorced, and he had allowed her full custody) At that time the

teenager's own JW parents couldn't keep him under control themselves. Just this alone should have at least given her a hint.

In the same congregation before this happened, a JW sister also let a JW older teenage boy baby sit her young boy occasionally. (this was a different teenager who was a son of one of their auxiliary pioneers and long time congregation member. He had seemed to be a very nice trustworthy boy to everyone who knew him. As it turned out, he had been molesting their young boy and the boy's parents were not aware of it until the child began to tell them things. The teenager was not turned in, and the elders began to give the teenager allot of special attention, but not much personal attention was given to the molested boy. The boy's mother became upset about this. The elders appeared to be giving him allot more personal,friendly attention at the meetings than they did before. (and were even conducting a personal home Bible study with him) (While no such offer of a study was extended to their son. Or at least no special attention set aside for him) This really crushed the boy's parents. (it made them sick to see how those two elders were overly friendly now to the molester at the meetings while their son didn't get that kind of attention. I believe that the elders meant well, but they just didn't know how to properly handle the situation. Especially with no particular training.

The experience caused the mother to go to the internet to see what others had to say concerning the Watchtower Society and their policies. Consequently, she apparently must have come across many of the older WTS literature quotes that exposed precisely what the WTS was preaching and teaching during the years they claim that Jesus had returned and inspected the temple. She must have discovered that if he had inspected the temple during the years of 1914-1919 he would have found that they had "pushed ahead, and had not waited on him, because they were teaching and preaching:

1)Jesus had already returned. (1874) 2)The first resurrection had already began. (in 1878) 3)The heavenly door already closed. (in 1881) 4)A new date for Armageddon. (1925)

They also were using the cross and celebrating all the Holidays the WTS frown on today. (besides, voting in their elders)

These events that happened with this mother and her molested boy,was while I had not yet learned the truth about the WTS myself. I had been born and raised in it along with my sister and my brother. (our parents had spent most of their lives waiting to survive Armageddon which kept delaying until they both died of old age health problems. The rumor going around the Kingdom Hall at that time was that this mother (of the abused boy) had learned something about the Organization which caused her to be even more upset and finally she herself was confronted before a judicial committee and was disfellowshipped. I had heard that she no longer believed that the "Faithful and Discreet Slave" were being used by Jehovah as His "channel" to give "food at the proper time". It left many of us puzzled. She and her husband ceased coming to the meetings, and soon moved away. I wish that I had learned then,what I know now,for I would have made sure I kept in contact with her. I am still trying to locate her. I now can see that if Jesus had returned during those years of 1914-1919, he would have discovered that the WTS had presumptuously"pushed ahead" by preaching that he had already returned in 1874,etc. He would never have commended them by saying "well done, faithful and discreet slave. For they weren't faithful nor were they discreet. They stumbled many people with those false dates and prophecies.

Jesus himself even warned us by saying: " For false Christ's and false prophets will arise and will give great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible even the chosen ones. Look! I have forewarned you. (Matt. 24:24-25) (see Deut. 18:20-22)

I now believe that Jesus has not even returned yet. For many years we had been preaching something that wasn't true. (C. T. Russell and Judge Rutherford was obviously wrong the first time with their date of 1874 which they accepted from the Adventists, and they have no convincing proof they even have it correct today.)

My son and I learned what she found out around the late 90's. Before I finally left the WTS I partook at one of the Kingdom Halls which was nearby. Not once had I ever missed a memorial at a Kingdom Hall. I reasoned that before I left, I was going to finally celebrate it in the correct way. The way that I should have been celebrating it and my parents should have, and the way that Jesus himself expects us to.

Funny how many times we sang that Lord's Evening Meal song and sang the words. . . "Before us there spreads a fine table of wine and of unleavened bread. They are symbols we know, as reminders they show, with what nourishment WE MUST BE FED. " Yet most of us just let it go right past us in spite of Jesus'words at John 6:51,53:

"This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that ANYONE may eat of it and not die. Most truly I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his Blood you have NO LIFE IN YOURSELVES. "

" You are all, in fact, sons of God through *your faith in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. " [Galatians 3:26-27]

However as many as did receive him, to them he gave authority to become God's children *because they were exercising faith in his name* and they were born not from blood, or from a fleshly will, but from God. " [John 1:12-13]
[[Romans 9:33 1 Peter 2:6. . Romans 5:1-5]

" knowing as we do that a man is declared righteous not due to works of law, but only through faith toward Jesus Christ. " [Halation 2:16]

Just as Ephesians 4:4 says there is "one hope" and Romans 8:24 says "We were saved in this hope". There is no evidence to show that Jesus or anyone else has returned and changed the hope. It is the same. And we should be preaching the original Christian gospel and stop teaching a changed hope. Galatians 1:8 warns: ". . if we or an angel out of heaven were to declare to you as good news something BEYOND what we declared to you as good news, let him be accursed. "

Here are some older WTS quotes. (notice the dates they were written)

"Our Lord, the appointed King, is now present, since October 1874, A. D. according to the testimony of the prophets, to those who have ears to hear it. . . " [Wt July 15, 1905 p. 3576]

"Our Lord, the appointed King, is now present, since October 1874, A. D. according to the testimony of the prophets, to those who have ears to hear it. [The Battle of Armageddon," (SS-4), 1912 edition

"We have no doubt whatever in regard to the chronology relating to the dates of 1874 . . " [WT May 15 1922 150]

"Surely there is not the slightest room for doubt in the mind of a truly consecrated child of God that the Lord Jesus is present and has been since 1874. . . " [Wt, January 1, 1924, p. 5]

"The Scriptural proof is that the second presence of the Lord Jesus Christ began in 1874 A. D. " [Prophecy, 1929, p. 65]

"The time of the Lord's second presence dates from 1874, as above stated. " [The Harp of God p. 236, 1928 edition]

"That the harvest began in 1878, there is ample and convincing proof. The end of the harvest is due in the spring of 1918. " [The Wt, May 1, 1918, p. 6243]

"And it was in 1878, then, that the process of setting up the kingdom began. Then our Lord raised the sleeping saints from the tomb and joined them to himself " [WT June 1 1922 p. 174]

"Bible prophecy shows that the Lord was due to appear for the second time in the year 1874. Fulfilled prophecy shows beyond a doubt that he did appear in 1874. Fulfilled prophecy is otherwise designated the physical facts; and these facts are indisputable. " [WT Nov. 1 1922 p. 333]

"No one can properly understand the work of God as this present time who does not realize that since 1874, the time of the Lord's return in power, there has been a complete change in God's operations. " [Wt, September 15, 1922, p. 278]

"As in the type that date - three and a half years after the death of Christ - marked the end of all special favor to the Jew and the beginning of favor to the Gentiles, so we recognize A. D. 1881 as marking the close of the 'high calling, or invitation to the blessing peculiar to this age - to become joint-heirs with Christ and partakers of the divine nature. " (The Time Is At Hand; 1889; 1915 ed. ; p. 235)

"In the year 1943 the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society published the book "The Truth Shall Make You Free. " In its chapter 11, entitled "The Count of the Time," it did away with the insertion of 100 years into the period of the Judges and went according to the oldest and most authentic reading of Acts 13:20, and accepted the spell-out numbers of the Hebrew Scriptures. This moved forward the end of six thousand years of man's existence into the decade of the 1970's. Naturally this did away with the year 1874 C. E. as the date of return of the Lord Jesus Christ and the beginning of his invisible presence or parousia. " [God's Kingdom of a Thousand Years 1973 p. 209, par. 55] (Frederick Franz)

(My comment: Did you notice this folks? The belief that Jesus returned in 1874 was not officially done away with (changed) until 1942! Yet we were led to believe that the WTS had always expected Jesus' return in 1914.)

"Is not the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society the one and only channel which the Lord has used in dispensing his truth continually since the beginning of the harvest period?" [WT Apr 1 1919 p. 6414]

"Of course, it is easy say that this group acts as a prophet of God, it is another thing to prove it. The only way that this can be done is to review the record. What does it show? [WT. 4/1/1972, p. 197]

"Knowing these things, what will you do? It is obvious that the true God, who is himself 'the God of truth' and hates lies, will not look with favor on persons who cling to organizations that teach falsehood. (Psalm 31:5; Proverbs 6:16-19; Revelation 21:8) And, really, would you want to be even associated with a religion that had not been honest with you?" [Is This Life All There Is?-1974 p. 46]

Thanks again Bill for standing up for righteousness and truth at all costs. Hopefully this web page and the efforts put forth here will make allot of difference and will be very effective in helping the WTS to see that they need to make those much needed changes. We need more men like you in this world. God Bless, Sheila Rae (anchor@pacifier.com) (hey, I am happy to see so many responding to your website who have also weathered the storm and have also kept their faith in God, Jesus, and the Bible through it all! (I see that the mistake people make is to put their trust in man to teach them God's Word, instead of putting their full trust in God Himself and asking Him in prayer for His Spirit, to help teach them as they read and study His Word. (Proverbs 3:5-6 . . Proverbs 4:11 . . Psalms 146:3-8 . . Psalms 118:8 . . Proverbs 2:1-13 . . 1 John 4:1 . . James 1:5 . . Luke 11:9-13. . Acts 17:26-27)

Remote User:

Date: 08 June 2001

Time: 23:03:55

Comments:

You are doing a great work. A work of love and a demonstration of God's Spirit. We at A Common Bond applaud you. We are a group of almost 200 gay/lesbian xJW's. You can read our conversations and take part in them by going to www.acbgroup@yahoo.com We are having our third conference in Minneapolis August 10, 11, 12. It is open to all. The previous two have been extremely successful and fun. Frank M. cinemanurse@webtv.net

Remote User:

Date: 09 June 2001

Time: 14:02:56

Comments:

Wow, have my eyes been opened! I have been studying with the Witnesses sporadically over ten years now, and while I do think that most of what they believe makes sense, especially how world events are shaping up, I did always have trouble with the organizational structure and authority. I have a friend back where I'm from who has gone through physical and especially emotional/verbal abuse with her husband, who is also a Witness, for many years. At one point recently she was suicidal. I understand the fear of the Witness of questioning their belief which is tantamount to relinquishing their sense of security. I also have many friends who are Witnesses back home and personally I would fear the repercussions of being labeled "bad association" and "reading apostate literature" if I were to tell her about this site. I would not want that label because I am still attending meetings and am still deciphering the real "truth" for myself based on the Bible. Any suggestions from anyone out there? As for me personally, I have two children myself and am frankly a little frightened after hearing of these stories. I have recently moved to North/Central Ocala, FL area and am wondering if any of you out there can share anything that I should be worried about down here. Thank you very much for the work you do. You may write me at:mudrunner222@aol. com

Remote User:

Date: 10 June 2001

Time: 12:47:56

Comments:

Thank you for putting this web page together, to help alert everyone to the danger that paedophiles pose to all children.

The elders in each local congregation and the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society should be making a stand against such ones and reporting them to the authorities.

Tragically they are not.

Well done Silentlambs.

Remote User:

Date: 12 June 2001

Time: 21:41:18

Comments:

any kind of forum to expose a child/sex offender I think can only aid a person that has experienced this horrific episode,

Remote User:

Date: 13 June 2001

Time: 18:34:20

Comments:

I have been DF's for 21 years and have finally seen thru the hypocrisy in the last 2 to 3 years. It funny how when you are one of the JW's how you are very protective. I put something out of my mind that happened years ago. I was friends with a (brother and sister) and was told that he had molested his daughter. The elders told her to stay with him and for him not to do it again. He was never reprovved and nothing was done as far as reporting it to the police. To this day this man walks around and is spoken to by member of the congregation. So I have seen it first hand and was even part of the cover up. May God forgive me for that!

Remote User:

Date: 15 June 2001

Time: 21:11:36

Comments:

Not before time, this portal being put together. The withholding of so much pain for so many years - silentlambs sums it up. You wouldn't wish the nightmare on your worst enemy. This organization screws up peoples lives big time.

Would like to work with similar issues.

www. can-online. org. uk m. price@can-online. org. uk

In healing

Mark (UK)

Remote User:

Date: 16 June 2001

Time: 08:11:57

Comments:

I am Brenda. My mother who left when I was 2 is a Jehovah's Witness. I do not understand everything about this religion and was shocked when seeing your site that this is allowed to go on in this religion. Please keep up your work, so many children are depending on people like you. res0f7qs@verizon. net

Remote User:

Date: 20 June 2001

Time: 03:50:13

Comments:

I find your web site informative as well it may well be Gods hand at work in this matter. My daughter of 12 also was sexually abused by her new step father who was with in one year released from prison for the same offence, my ex-

wife at the time had the careless idea to remarry a man of such unscrupulous ways. As is always the case me the father was the last to know, and I too was given the heat trip of: oh you may dishonor Gods organization by reporting it to the police or family services, not to speak of the verbal abuse I received by my wife at the time for the very thought of imprisoning the man who took my little daughter chasteness away. I am confident that there is a God and that his name is know by me as Jehovah and he has a name who is our savor Jesus Christ. It is this faith that has keep me together in all this mishandling, not the so called elders shepherds of the flock or the organization it self. there is a mill stone reserved for those who harm Christ little ones this fact never escapes me. Lew

Remote User:

Date: 22 June 2001

Time: 17:36:56

Comments:

I am an adult daughter of a witness of 30+ yrs who was molested by my brothers friend when I was a child. I have just broken my silence of over 20 years and although my father(JW) and mother(non JW) support my reporting this man to the police it appears that my brothers (JW) want to keep meeting with this man to make him see the error of his ways. I have met with him and although he has admitted what he did he can't see that it was wrong. I have also discovered that 3 years ago he told not only an elder but a circuit overseer what he had done and has still been allowed to serve as an elder to this day! Who says there is never a cover up? J (UK)

Remote User:

Date: 25 June 2001

Time: 17:36:03

Comments:

It's high time that this matter is brought out in the open. This man don m. has been hiding behind the Jehovah Witnesses too long because he knows

It's high time that this has been brought out in the open this man Don M. has been hiding behind his religion (Jehovah's Witnesses) because he knows how the system works. He moves every two years and changes congregations, which clears his slate and again he gets away with it. He has lived in 15 different places in the last 30 years.

Remote User:

Date: 26 June 2001

Time: 01:22:33

Comments:

I always support a website that exposes that which is wrong. I have never been a jw and will never be. I was once a mormon and wish that something like this could be started with mormons, especially polygamy groups.

Remote User:

Date: 27 June 2001

Time: 15:52:15

Comments:

Jesus said that by their fruits, you will know his true followers. Based on Laura's and many others' experiences it's clear that Jehovah God is sending us all a message that the religion called Jehovah's Witnesses has *NOT* found the truth. Rather than blindly reciting Jesus's words about trees that bear rotten fruit, one should pay attention to these words. Many of you reading this are attending congregations filled with good fruit. Let me give you an illustration about why your observations about your religion should *NOT* be limited to your own congregation. The Watchtower Society's claim that Jehovah's Witnesses are "the one true religion" is based on the organization's fruits. The organization consists of almost 100,000 congregations. These congregations are like baskets of fruit. The organization is like a large warehouse. The baskets of fruit cover the floor of this massive warehouse. In order to decide if the inventory of fruit in this warehouse is "good fruit" or "rotten fruit" one must inspect the entire inventory. Walking passed rows of fruit baskets with a pen and clipboard, one can place a tick-mark under the column "Good Fruit" if a basket looks fresh and good as a whole, or "Rotten Fruit" if a basket looks overly ripe as a whole. Then add all the tick-marks in each column, and calculate the percentage of rotten fruit in the warehouse. Generally if the inventory contains rotten fruit greater than 10-20 percent, then it's safe to conclude the entire inventory is in question. Jesus therefore was helping us to realistically evaluate whether the religion we choose contains "good fruit" or "rotten fruit" -- not by simply looking at our own "fruit basket" or congregation, but by getting a sense of the overall condition of *ALL FRUIT BASKETS* or all congregations in the religion we are evaluating. Upon finding a religion filled mostly with good fruit, we can safely attend the meetings, gather with others of that religion to worship God, and decide to what extent we will personally engage in witnessing the good news of the kingdom to others. To the chagrin of the Watchtower's governing body and sorrow for those who have spent their life as Jehovah's Witnesses, Silentlamb is busy tallying the extent of one type of fruit contamination in this organization. The result is discovering that the child abuse and pedophile problem alone has infected the fruit so extensively that Jesus would surely label this tree as one bearing rotten fruit. When you mix good fruit with rotten fruit, the good fruit becomes infected (just as a little leaven ferments the whole lump). Those who still are good fruit in their hearts and lives should consider separating themselves from the rotten fruit, to themselves remain untainted. This involves the very major life change that one faced when getting baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses, in effect bringing many full circle to where they started. Is your love for Jehovah God intense enough to start your quest for the truth all over again? Are you willing to walk back the way you came to that fork in the road, and examine your compass again to re-decide your course in life? Such willingness to change one's course of life takes courage and true trust in God and his son to whom we dedicated our life to serving when emerging from the water of our baptism.

Remote User:

Date: 29 June 2001

Time: 00:50:05

Comments:

I had no idea or maybe that's not the case. Looking back I can see how that could have been very possible. I'm glad it didn't happen to me. My heart goes out to the every silent lamb. It was enough to be put through mental anguish, not to mention no Christmas, birthday etc. etc. . I guess we all have our own horror stories, I know I have some. Well, I won't bore you with my little life story. But I do have a small request. My wife has never been involved with J. W. and I was wondering if anyone who has ever been disfellowshipped could possibly email me, because she can't understand what it is like. My email is chris8688@excite.com thank you very much.

Remote User:

Date: 29 June 2001

Time: 14:16:02

Comments:

I was molested when I was 14/15/13 I don't know what age I was. I'm sort of use to blocking things out of my mind I have not really giving it much thought until I ran across this page when it happened I didn't tell no one I cried every night and I hated older guys somewhat still do when I finally told my parents they really did not do nothing until this day I see him I think about having someone kill him but I don't want anyone in jail because if me. . I am still hurting because of this and don't know what to do but I trust in God and I will be fine thank you

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Remote User:

Date: 02 Aug 2001

Time: 14:37:45

Comments:

I'm shocked of the protection that the WT society have given into. With all the hidden and untold things. . . . it's just horrible. Not only are the Jw's a cult, but they are also a occult as well. This makes me very disappointed and sad for them. and most of all it makes me see how much more the Kingdom Hall is false.

Remote User:

Date: 05 Aug 2001

Time: 19:13:20

Comments:

Good to see someone doing something about the watchtower,if i can help in the uk I'm available, my wife's been a jw for 7 years now I'm not and have my own beliefs that i wouldn't ram down anybody's throat or fear mugging them into going any group or cult. my email is serge@acteluk. net Good Website thanks

Remote User:

Date: 06 Aug 2001

Time: 11:08:14

Comments:

What you are doing here is truly amazing. When I was 16 years old there was nobody around like this to help and despite becoming a psychologist myself, the pain of what the WTB&TS did has affected my life even until today. I don't know if I will ever really "get over it" per se, I think I have just learned to accept it. I wish you all the best in your hard work. Please keep it up, and please save the children. Anastasia Romanovka anastashya@australia.edu

Remote User:

Date: 07 Aug 2001

Time: 05:46:21

Comments:

On what do you base your facts? Although there may be some discrepancies within the organization, (as in any other, for we are all imperfect), I find what I've seen here extremely hard to believe. My name is Carolina, I'm 22, and my e-mail is carolinareyes21@hotmail.com

Remote User:

Date: 07 Aug 2001

Time: 16:58:18

Comments:

I think that the lawyers for the victims should request letters from former JW's backing them on the Hush Hush the Elders put on members. I remember being a child in the JW religion and my mother telling me that JW do not go to the law. That they handle things thru the elders and WTBS. That it looks bad if any JW has a legal issue (gets arrested etc.) I'd write a letter. Who'd I send it to though. I remember. I am disfellowshipped myself now. But I can only imagine the pain that these silent lambs must have gone thru and still endure. Although I never heard of anything like that in the congregation I was in, I do remember the HUSH HUSH. It's sooooo true.

Ms. T

Remote User:

Date: 07 Aug 2001

Time: 23:38:57

Comments:

I have heard of this before, and I am glad someone is doing something about it.

It is written somewhere in the Psalms that God has exalted His word above His Name. Sounds to me like that means He is more pleased with those who do His will than those who give lip service praise to His Name while they violate His moral laws.

Sounds to me like the Watchtower Society has falsely abrogated to itself the identity of being "the true and faithful servant," a term I think applies primarily to Jesus the Messiah Himself, anyway. (They also have an interesting track record of failed predictions and changes in doctrine, less explosive than the Mormons but still there, so much for their being the one true and proper interpreter of Scripture, eh?)

Remote User:

Date: 08 Aug 2001

Time: 20:30:11

Comments:

This is in reply to Carolina. May I ask you after reading so many stories why you are not willing to believe? If you are interested in facts most people who have been abused or molested only have their word to go on. I was physically abused as a child and by the time I had the nerve to say something all my bruises were healed. I wasn't lying even though I did not have proof. You are very right to say that no one is perfect and there might be discrepancies but not this many. Honey if you are reading this and are a JW then you are scared but please OPEN YOUR EYES. I know how it feels to be in a "safe" place but it is only an illusion. I was their and was one, I am not an apostate and do not bad mouth the JW's but have found too many inconsistencies with their teachings and do believe they are harboring child molesters. I am not saying they are the only group who does but I do not know enough about any other religion to voice my opinion. Please don't take this as mean I am only trying to shed some insight. If I can be of further help please email me at jtporter@hotmail.com

Jennifer

Remote User:

Date: 08 Aug 2001

Time: 21:03:41

Comments:

You all seem to put much weight on the police and the courts Because a person is convicted in court, does not mean that a person is guilty. Remember that a jury also believes in Santa Claus, the trinity, etc. If they believed evidence they would be serving Jehovah God with the rest of the Witnesses. But the jury is not so they do not believe in evidence, they follow emotions.

Juries make mistakes and prosecutors and police are doing jobs that they get employment benefits from getting convictions. It is not about truth.

Remote User:

Date: 08 Aug 2001

Time: 21:07:00

Comments:

This is just another site of apostates with a medium and a message that people put their emotions into.

Rather than take this course, i. e. worrying about police law enforcement and child services, why not do some real good such as actually protecting people whom you think are victims rather than just blaming people. People should not be alone with others who can claim abuse. If people are allowed to be alone with others then that is where the fault lies, not in any later telling or not telling.

Remote User:

Date: 08 Aug 2001

Time: 21:11:53

Comments:

To Jennifer,

rather than continually following the same pattern of people saying " I was abused as a child", I want to know why aren't children themselves doing anything rather than years later saying that.

The parents and children should be doing something to prevent it before it happens and while it happens rather than talking about them harboring predators. It seems to me that this subject is just a nice thing to complain about, after the fact, must after.

Remote User:

Date: 08 Aug 2001

Time: 23:48:22

Comments:

I answered carolina privately and offered further reasoning on this issue, she has chosen not to respond. This appears to be the response of many, to offer criticism make slanderous accusations and stay anonymous or not respond. This website is about the TRUTH, it speaks up for victims and gives them the right to speak out and find healing.

Misinformed ones continue to minimize the pain of those who suffer and act like they are lying. I hope for your children's sake that molestation never becomes an issue in your families. I hope at the same time you learn to have compassion for the silentlambs that are victimized by people like you.

silentlambs

Remote User:

Date: 08 Aug 2001

Time: 23:57:56

Comments:

Hooray!! Just got a copy of the lawsuit to read. Thank you for printing it for all to read. Thank you, Bill and Jeff, for standing up to protectively cover and shield us when the Watchtower Society and its elders refused to. Thank you for standing beside us instead of abandoning us as so many others have. Thank you for hearing our tiny voices and helping us to ROAR as one large crowd!!! I asked the Society to protect me in a matter. They sent me what, in my opinion, was a "garbage letter" and said they couldn't comment. VP

Remote User:**Date: 09 Aug 2001****Time: 06:51:33****Comments:**

I'm a German JW and also serving as an elder. In the course of 20 years I never faced a child molestation in our cong. I just heart about two cases of JW's which have been charged with molestation.

I'm very concerned about this website, because visitors get the feeling that child abuse is a common thing in the JW's community. But this is absolutely wrong. There may have been molestations and probably there will in future. Elders don't stop victims from going to police.

Albert vom Netzwerk aktiver Zeugen Jehovas - Germany

<http://members.tripod.de/zjinfolink>

Remote User:**Date: 09 Aug 2001****Time: 15:02:36****Comments:**

Please read the victims page as the victims say you do not have a clear grasp of the extent or damage being done to children as we speak.

silentlambs

Remote User:**Date: 11 Aug 2001****Time: 08:29:07****Comments:**

JW organisation is far worse than I ever imagined and it never looked at all healthy. I have 2 sisters in the "Truth". My father was for years raping another sister whilst in study of the JW good news. (more than 20 years ago). I really am sickened by the hypocrisy of the hierarchy, and sickened that it's converts are too brain-washed to see it.

Remote User:

Date: 12 Aug 2001

Time: 21:27:37

Comments:

I am so proud of this website and the courageous victims of child molestation that bravely speak out. Many prayers are supporting you all!!

Remote User:

Date: 14 Aug 2001

Time: 18:47:11

Comments:

I'm so glad that silentlambs are helping to expose the JW's for what they are, a cult and a occult that endangers the lives of their followers. I am a survivor of sexual abuse (ritually) by many members of the organization. I have been through therapy and am currently pursuing an education in psychology with the goal to assist individual that have left religious cults. if anyone wants to chat or e-mail me I would be glad to listen. Kelley Blair from Oklahoma City, Ok. e-mail: KELLEYBLAIR152@aol. com

Remote User:

Date: 14 Aug 2001

Time: 21:22:20

Comments:

Thank God there is an organization like yours. It does seem that the Jehovah's Witnesses are simply getting away with murder. Wish you all the best. hwish@webtv. net

Remote User:

Date: 14 Aug 2001

Time: 21:23:19

Comments:

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Remote User:

Date: 14 Aug 2001

Time: 21:43:09

Comments:

I think your site is completely wonderful. It has been so desperately needed for the sake of all the physically and sexually ab

Remote User:

Date: 14 Aug 2001

Time: 21:53:52

Comments:

I think your site is completely wonderful. It has been so desperately needed for the sake of all the physically and sexually abused children. Children are a blessing from God and are very precious in his eyes. We as parents have an obligation to protect them from those pedophiles and abusers who prey upon them. I pray God will give justice to the children and all who want to flee from the man of lawlessness or which it is obvious what organization is referred to here. You parents do EVERYTHING YOU CAN TO KEEP THEM FROM THIS AWFUL RELIGION.

Remote User:

Date: 15 Aug 2001

Time: 14:49:21

Comments:

Great SilentLamb! Keep up the good work prayerfully. Thank God for individuals like all of you who have the courage to come up against Goliath. Remember, he was put down. God Bless Your Efforts.

eamajination@aol. com

Remote User:

Date: 16 Aug 2001

Time: 12:44:41

Comments:

several years ago i was in a cong,of jw's in dayton ohio we had a new family to move to the cong . they had 4 children . they were all very obese. the oldest boy impregnated his sis who was the oldest girl itt was all hushed up the girl went into the hospital where something happened years later some one told me she aborted. whether induced i do not know. they were disfellowshipped. the boy went into the service. where was killed shortly thereafter. our co got up in pulpit and said now b 4 we judge this ousted bro too harshly [ousted] his parents recd. a letter from him that he was going to return to the 'truth' when he got out . how sad

Remote User:

Date: 16 Aug 2001

Time: 12:49:48

Comments:

very good site sybil leonard jerry sybilinc@aol

Remote User:

Date: 16 Aug 2001

Time: 14:14:06

Comments:

In my former congregation an anointed one was accused of molesting an entire family. This was suppose to have happened when they were younger and it finally came out after several years. This tore the congregation apart. The accused being anointed, and the accusers being elders and pioneers with an outstanding reputation in the congregation. The elders handled this and disfellowshipped the accused. However, nothing was said to the police about this matter. He is still allowed to come to the kingdom hall and be around several children. Even the children of those who were molested. Whatever happened to Megan's Law? Should it not be practiced at the kh? I guess they will continue to allow this to go on, and subject many children to this nonsense.

Remote User:

Date: 16 Aug 2001

Time: 23:25:03

Comments:

I am not and never have been a JW but my wife was and she has been telling me the very same thing that you are saying on your site. Keep it up. David

Remote User:

Date: 17 Aug 2001

Time: 21:38:48

Comments:

The truth is the truth, regardless of the source. --Gator <http://www.gatorsden.faiithweb.com> The book; "Jehovah Lives in Brooklyn: Jehovah's Witnesses as a Model of Fundamentalism" can be found and read on my site.

JW's are like Lemmings, following and living on the faith of others, rather than thinking for themselves.

Remote User:

Date: 19 Aug 2001

Time: 11:27:24

Comments:

thank you for starting this sight. . . . i was abused as a child satanically during the apostasy in the late 1960's and early 1970's . . . and was used in child pornography in enfield connecticut. . . . i am 36 and healthy. . . but it took many years to get where i am now. . . aimee richard. . . cyball_2000@yahoo.com

Remote User:

Date: 21 Aug 2001

Time: 21:04:22

Comments:

If you are dumb enough to believe the bullshit Jehovah Witnesses preach, chances are you are dumb enough to allow being molested as well.

Remote User:

Date: 22 Aug 2001

Time: 08:17:18

Comments:

I would like to thank you for the long needed education of the people concerning pedophiles. Your site is such a good education for parents. I am sure your site will help parents identify those that prey on children. There has been so very much abuse of children that has been covered up by the Watchtower, that it makes a person feel ill. May God bless you wonderful people who care so very much for our precious children. bigron81us@yahoo. com

Remote User:

Date: 23 Aug 2001

Time: 15:41:32

Comments:

new to this site was looking for a form to send to school with my 7 year old to protect him from blood if something was to happen and I couldn't get to him right away. . . . More than the blood card. . . Not so much as the PoA. . . . colesnthesun@aol. com

Remote User:

Date: 23 Aug 2001

Time: 15:42:51

Comments:

was a victim for years by my own father. . . . Wasn't in the truth. . . . Scars to last me years. . . .

Remote User:

Date: 23 Aug 2001

Time: 16:03:51

Comments:

Webmaster I sent a letter on Aug 13th at 14. 26 "It is good to hear the silent lambs. . . " Where on your site can I find it please?

Remote User:

Date: 23 Aug 2001

Time: 18:33:14

Comments:

please click the poems and thoughts button at the top of the victims page. silentlambs

Remote User:

Date: 23 Aug 2001

Time: 23:57:44

Comments:

Wish I had someone or some group of people around like you 10 years ago. My life as well as that of my daughter has forever been altered by our "exposure" to J. W's. Can't even bring myself to type the name. I hate them and what they have done and continue to do to thousands of people especially women. Was married to a man who was disfellowshipped yet commanded that we live by the guidelines established by the J W's. He of course, was excused from abiding by them. He was cruel, inhumane, a definite pedophile, a violent alcoholic, psychotic, and had a mother who totally dominated him with guilt and extremely harmful behavior. She was very instrumental in destruction of what little relationship we had. Accused my daughter of being the aggressor(at age 10) and that she was deserving of whatever happened to her. She knew (and still knows) that her son was and is to this day a sick twisted demented pervert. He also moves freely about the community in which he and his mother and the rest of the family live, undetected by anyone because his mother has covered his stinking tracks for years. She herself is a convicted murderess. She shot and killed the sons father while he was asleep in the bed, at point blank range. She was pregnant at the time with twin boys and claimed he had been abusing her. Yes, she walks the streets a free person now. By the way, one of the twin boys committed suicide at age 17, and the other is a worthless, drunken sot who can't hold his head up. The man I was married to lives in Concord California, named David Alton Brown, has an illegitimate son(living with him) who's mother lost custody of him simply because this sick woman has soooooooooo much money that she hired several attorney's to get the child, when in truth she simply wants control over the child. This sick woman's name is Barbara Walker and is married to Wayne Walker(if he's still alive) I don't care who knows the truth about them, they are extremely dangerous people and need to be exposed.

Remote User:

Date: 25 Aug 2001

Time: 05:42:58

Comments:

So are all the people who submit their stories to these pages, liars? Or is the Jehovah's Witness Organization just out to protect their "good standing" in the eyes of us evil worldly ones? The latter, I have no doubts on. What is evil is the treatment of the sexually abused and their families, by the organization. Having two sisters in the "Truth" I've seen a lot of hypocrisy in their church's rules, but the cover-up of sexual abuse makes me feel sick. Thank you for Silent Lambs. Robyn paris@paradise.net.nz

Remote User:

Date: 25 Aug 2001

Time: 10:49:17

Comments:

Although I am not a silent lamb of the Watchtower, I was a silent lamb in my family, I understand the pain and anguish of childhood sexual abuse. I have lived thru it myself. Silence protects the predators, it doesn't protect the lambs. The Father and Jesus have been my refuge and have helped me work through this issue. All Honor,Praise,Glory go to them. The Father is waiting for you as is Jesus ,turn to them.

Mike k mwkidder@aol. com

Remote User:

Date: 27 Aug 2001

Time: 18:47:17

Comments:

Wow. What a site. What a story! I interviewed A Common Bond, gay ex JW's on my web cast a few weeks ago (in archives for relistening 24/7 worldwide) at www. Meria. net But this story! Wow. Sickening. Thank God for a man of principles which you obviously are, for bringing this forth. Meria

Remote User:

Date: 27 Aug 2001

Time: 18:52:50

Comments:

I am a 30 year veteran JW from Nova Scotia, Canada. I left in 1986 due to a long history of witch hunts by the elders. . . lack of love in the congregation. . . elders saying "Wait on Jehovah" but all hell was breaking loose. . . . Anyway, FREE AT LAST. . . thank you for your wonderful coverage of what is new at Wt. headquarters. and Praise you for your work on behalf of the youth. . . I also have children in the Watchtower. God help them. Contact me at drafuse@accesswave. ca

My husband was an elder also on the judicial committee, we were pioneers, special pioneers. . . the whole 9 yards. We left 45 members of our immediate family inside when we exited.

Remote User:

Date: 27 Aug 2001

Time: 20:41:02

Comments:

rbenn6082@hotmail. com read the complaint, has there been a verdict? would be interested in the elders & the societies responses to the allegations

Remote User:

Date: 28 Aug 2001

Time: 14:28:27

Comments:

Having walked away from J. W. 's after 30 years, many spent as a Pioneer, Elder and Presiding Overseer, I commend you on your effort to inform others about the Watchtower Society's tragic attitude towards pedophiles in their midst and the children they have abused. In similar actions they are also responsible for the "First Degree Murder" of many children who are not allowed life-saving blood transfusions (see www.ajwrb.org). The plight of J. W. children, who must be raised as "Stepford Wives", without soul or sense of self is appalling. Frank Maitoza, R. N. , M. A. cinemanurse@webtv.net

Remote User:

Date: 30 Aug 2001

Time: 11:54:39

Comments:

I am very thankful you all created this website.

While I am not a victim, I know of individuals who are. I particularly am referring to a mother of a child who was abused within the WT organization.

2 days ago I printed out the 4 page email that Randy Watters emailed me from Barb Anderson. I brought it to the place of employment of a woman, who is a former JW. She has become an emotional basket case over her daughter who was molested by her ex husband while they were JW's in good standing.

The elders did nothing about it when she went to them over 10 years ago. She is so anger & bitter, understandable so. When I brought her the email and told her that this was something that may finally give her a sense of satisfaction and that she may want to get involved, she cried on the spot.

Thank You!!

Michelle Leeds So. Fl. Support Group

September 2001 Guestbook

Remote User:

Date: 01 Sep 2001

Time: 12:33:29

Comments:

Although I am not a JW, I think that this is a great place of refuge for those who have been molested. I was molested as a child and I know how difficult it is just to be believed outside an organization like the watchtower. So I am glad they have a place to go where their cries can be justified. But I do wonder why, when faced with the big picture of the cover ups (via WATCHTOWER governing policies) that more people aren't questioning the validity of the WT as the sole conduit to God on earth. . . . Certainly Jehovah would never allow such rules and regulations that destroy the very lives of his lambs by such a magnitude of sin within "His church". IF the gov. body of the WT hears from Jehovah. . . . certainly Jehovah would have spoken to someone in the society to FIX this travesty LONG before now. I see from all I have read nothing but cowardice,fear,manipulation, lies,and a TOTAL lack of concern for the body of Christ coming from the one place that JW's place their faith and that is the WT governing body itself. I would run from any organization whose greater concern is for their "image" rather than Gods people. That is NOT of Jehovah!! To me, there is a perpetuation of the cover ups (perhaps unknowingly) through the hearts and minds of all JW's (affected or unaffected by this pedophilia) by standing by and continuing to support an Organization with such a deep deep spiritual and moral problem. I can only assume that the policy that has been 'on the books ' so to speak, from its inception of the organizations regulations, that's a long time,to long. If this attitude of covering up pedophiles were held by local public schools I wonder what the JW's would do to stand up against them? If they follow the status quo and cover it up ,ignore disbelieve any accusations they would then be true to form. So if they spoke out. . . it would be hypocrisy. This SIN is of great magnitude, as the bible says a little leaven spoils the whole lump. . . . In my opinion the Watchtower Organization has cultivated so much leaven (sin) that the organization's claim to being Jehovah's organization on earth no longer has credibility. Only someone who is fearful can continue to support this organization, only those who have been told that if they leave they turn their backs on Jehovah. Well that's NOT what the bible teaches me. All those who believe in the Lord Jesus Christ will be saved! There are no denominations in the Kingdom of God. Its not so much ,the trusting people who have followed the WT that have literally sinned but the so called "tenders of the flock" they are the very ones who have lied ,deceived and critically harmed all involved by their actions,or lack their of. Those who fit that category will have to stand before Jehovah one day and explain exactly why they allowed His precious lambs to be harmed/sinned against and then did nothing. . . . all in HIS NAME. May God have mercy on them.

Jesus Is Lord. . . . Laura

Remote User:**Date: 02 Sep 2001****Time: 16:22:22****Comments:**

Very interesting, please continue showing us the truth. L. maat@br. inter. net - Brazil

Remote User:**Date: 06 Sep 2001****Time: 13:42:25****Comments:**

Hello,

I was raised as a JW and as a child growing up I seen the potential for child abuse. I remember when I was a young boy, a good elder in the congregation would take advantage of me while giving me music lessons. I never reported the incidents but have heard stories now about how he did the same thing to others in the congregation.

My sons tell me about his buddies dad that was abusing his own children for 20 years. He is now in jail but it makes you wonder if the elders were aware of the problem after it had going on in the congregation for so many years. I know first hand by my own experience with them how arrogant they are when dealing with potential emotional situations, that requires a professional counseling. I was going through some very trying emotional problems about seven years ago. I could have been suicidal but their response at the time was to disfellowship me. They do not believe in seeking outside counseling on such potentially harmful situations for their members. Their attitude is always either you listen to us or tough luck to you.

All the best in your lawsuits, it will be an up hill battle for you.

Will

Remote User:

Date: 09 Sep 2001

Time: 17:17:01

Comments:

We were disfellowshipped in 1988 for questioning org theology. We never knew about this horrific cover up. We only thought institutions such as R/C would make way for such behaviour. I am stunned about the two (2) witnesses. Of course thy would take someone along!!!! You are a worthwhile person doing a wonderful service. I mentally support you. Do you need donations? Christian love Vida Gallo

Remote User:

Date: 09 Sep 2001

Time: 17:19:35

Comments:

Forgot my email Vida Gallo vgallo@powerup. com. au

Remote User:

Date: 10 Sep 2001

Time: 17:53:35

Comments:

I was raised a JW, and I was abused mentally, and sexually. I never spoke out, because when I did, I was labeled a liar. It was an downward spiral from there. I have found my peace though, and I left the BORG when I was 13. . . it's taken over 10 years to rid myself of the feelings of guilt, despair, and self hatred. I'm now a Pagan. . . I have no fear of any hereafter despite what I was taught. I figure, that no hell in any religion in the after life, will compare to the hell I've already lived through. As for being destroyed in Armageddon. . . if I survived. . . eternal life with these kind of monsters would be no paradise for me. I wish you luck in all your endeavors, and I hope you finally expose them for what they are. There are no greater demons and devils than the ones who use their power to harm in the name of God.

Remote User:

Date: 11 Sep 2001

Time: 05:34:54

Comments:

Thank you for this website. Please keep up the work you are doing, may God really bless you in your work and may He lead people to this site. I feel very sad that protection is not more freely and publicly available.

Allan Christy. reachout@sctemail. co. uk

Remote User:

Date: 11 Sep 2001

Time: 19:11:29

Comments:

For one to go against the status quo and buck wrongdoing, takes a very special person. Thank you from Nova Scotia, Canada, for addressing these innocent persons damaged by Watchtower Society personnel. It is high time they too are exposed. Thanks for exposing such horrific deeds hid by Jehovah's Witnesses all over the world.

Remote User:

Date: 18 Sep 2001

Time: 00:01:58

Comments:

Wow! I was raised in the JW's org, and also a victim of abuse by my grandfather, stepfather and older brother. I didn't tell anyone, but left the JW's at 14. Horrible as the stories are, they do not surprise me. A male dominated supremacy, of course they protect their own. Women are second class citizens, not allowed the simplest of freedoms, relegated to status of second best. It all goes hand in hand, does it not?

Remote User:

Date: 18 Sep 2001

Time: 02:11:34

Comments:

Thank -you for this valuable website. It was comforting to know I'm not the only one. Something you believe when you are both a J. W and an abuse victim. I will continue to visit here and tell the many friends who also have had similar experiences. Thank-you again, Natalie

Remote User:

Date: 18 Sep 2001

Time: 02:15:37

Comments:

forgot my email down here in Australia natanderson@optusnet. com. au

Remote User:

Date: 18 Sep 2001

Time: 17:53:31

Comments:

Children need someone they can trust looking after their interest and the only way the law of the land will work is to take advantage of it. Crimes against children is among the worse so keep up the good work you have provided and outlet for victims.

Remote User:

Date: 19 Sep 2001

Time: 14:23:51

Comments:

I think you are taking an active, loving approach to this problem of "sexual-abuse" on God's little children. I can not accept the "keep it within the organization" view that has been handed down from the Governing body to the local elders. Anyone who covers up such a "sin/serious wrong doing" is just as guilty as committing the "sin/sin serious wrong doing"!

Mike Monroe, WI.

Remote User:

Date: 21 Sep 2001

Time: 04:47:43

Comments:

Thank-you for this amazing website. It has brought me great comfort to know that others understand. I was raised as a JW and was molested since I was eight by an elder. The facts you have mentioned on covering this up are one hundred percent accurate and the life of hell it breeds for the victims is further trauma to an already damaged mind. I have been dealing with this for 15 years and my life as I see it well never be "normal". I recently have been forced to make the decision to move home with my parents who are JW's (my father an elder and my mother a regular pioneer) and the fear of that at my age still leaves me scared to death. People need to understand the destruction these molesters create in the lives of those they touch. I wish most of the time that it would have been better if he killed me after. My parents, the elders, did nothing!! Thank-you for helping save some other young children from having to endure this nightmare. blaineleal@hotmail.com

Remote User:

Date: 21 Sep 2001

Time: 17:45:14

Comments:

MY MOTHER WHO JUST RECENTLY WAS REUNITED WITH HER BROTHER AFTER BEING SEPARATED FOR 27 YEARS HAS BECOME A JW. HER BROTHER GOT HER BRAINWASHED, I MEAN INTERESTED IN IT. I WAS GIVEN THE CHALLENGE TO FIND ANYTHING WRONG WITH THE WT. I DIDN'T EXPECT THIS THOUGH. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

Remote User:

Date: 24 Sep 2001

Time: 18:04:06

Comments:

Brotherc2002@yahoo.com Very informative site!

Remote User:

Date: 26 Sep 2001

Time: 19:27:23

Comments:

Yet another thing wrong with this horrible cult. Keep up the good work in exposing these atrocities and helping the innocent. Rhett Bourland rbourlan@evansville.net

Remote User:

Date: 28 Sep 2001

Time: 11:05:41

Comments:

I was raised JW and recently began deprogramming my thought process. In the 25 years I practiced I knew of several of these happenings. One "brother" who was an elder at the time was molesting several early teenagers and even his own children. He was removed and disfellowshipped when he was sent to prison for it. He now again is an active member of the congregation and his past is hush-hush. I cannot understand why this is kept quiet, for one thing it is public info and furthermore in the "world" it is posted if a known pedophile is living in the neighborhood. I also had several male cousins who were molested by an uncle before he became a "believer", this has been brought to the attention of his congregation, yet he continues as an Elder and active member, no one has been notified of his past. To all persons who have been abused please STAY STRONG and continue publicize this sin for the protection of all children whose parents drag them into this believe system. As a mom I want to THANK YOU FOR YOUR COURAGE!!!!!!

Remote User:

Date: 29 Sep 2001

Time: 23:49:16

Comments:

AMAZING SIMPLY AMAZING THAT THESE PEOPLE ARE CALLED 'CHRISTIANS'

SOFIAROSE26@AOL.COM

October 2001 Guestbook

Remote User:

Date: 01 Oct 2001

Time: 12:22:24

Comments:

Bill: I listened to the radio program from Sunday; you did a wonderful job of presenting your information! You really were a voice of reason in the face of the religious madness that covers over pedophilia among JW's. Thanks again for your sterling work in providing a safe haven for silent lambs everywhere. Those of us nursing the festering wounds of molestation and abuse are empowered by your compassion and by the courage of the lambs that are learning to roar.

With gratitude, Mommie Dark mommiedark@earthlink.net

Remote User:

Date: 02 Oct 2001

Time: 16:54:19

Comments:

I would like to thank you for having this site for people to see. It is so important for people to have a place to go where they know they are believed and to tell their stories. My name is Andrea and my email is ggltm@hotmail.com God Bless

Remote User:

Date: 02 Oct 2001

Time: 17:25:59

Comments:

VERY GOOD---yes one should stop being a silent lamb and be a screaming loud mouth like ME. . . . QUEENIE
([LINDA queenapostate@webtv.net](mailto:LINDA_queenapostate@webtv.net) (((HEALING HUGS))))

Remote User:

Date: 02 Oct 2001

Time: 23:07:11

Comments:

What i have just read is a horrendous crime and i offer my prayers to those (children and families) who are in need. i do not have much to send but will pass on the information that i have discovered. i was merely doing research for a

class subject and would have never thought to read upon a situation as this. However, i commend you and will pray with you for the Lord to find justice on the disturbed persons who commit these crimes against innocent children. i do intend to share this with my classmates in hopes that they will also be a helpful tool, even if it by word of mouth. The tongue has exceeding power (never forget that) especially when you are speaking for God and his children. God bless you in your efforts Kimberlynb2001@yahoo. com

Remote User:

Date: 03 Oct 2001

Time: 08:32:23

Comments:

It is time that the true story of the Watchtower Society should be told. I have a book about WT control called "Jehovah Lives In Brooklyn: Jehovah's Witnesses as a Model of Fundamentalism. " <http://www.gatorsden.faihtweb.com> It can be read online. My wife and I voluntarily quit the Witnesses in 1986. We are still totally shunned by over 35 JW relatives. -- Gator gator@fredsplace. org

Remote User:

Date: 03 Oct 2001

Time: 11:54:42

Comments:

I am glad that you have made a site available to assist those who have been abused by the WT. I left the org almost 5 years ago because it's not "the truth" . I've always saw things that were done "in the dark" and hidden from the public eye. I haven't known of any sexual abuse in my previous cong. but I have suspected some. May God's blessing and mercy be upon all those who survive the sexual and emotional abuse thrust on them.

Michelle mstco91@hotmail. com

Remote User:

Date: 03 Oct 2001

Time: 21:46:13

Comments:

Hello, I am certainly glad to have found your site. I have recently been disfellowshipped by the congregation, And I am still wondering what to do and where to get encouraging information. I still hold faith in most of the teachings of my former family.

As of recently in the Watchtower magazine information on this very subject (pedophiles in the congregation) has been written, I am sorry that I cannot provide you with an exact date, but it read that under no circumstances will anyone, brother or sister that has been found to have a sickness as horrific as this will ever hold a position as an elder,

ministerial servant, pioneer etc. They are not even allowed to have any privilege whatsoever ie. . carrying microphones or passing our bible literature at the local Kingdom Halls. They are under strict supervision at all times, unable to take young people out in the field ministry or conduct bible studies at anyone's house. And also it is made aware to others in the congregation that there has been a matter within the congregation that directly involves the children. It is in no way hidden or "covered up!" In fact I am personally aware of a so-called brother who is serving 20-35 years in San Quentin for such abuse. He was not protected at all by the Elders or the congregation. If someone is accused of this, it is taken very seriously, Because of this accusation the accused is still watched very carefully being told he may never be in the presence of children or young people alone or cannot frequent homes that have young ones there. True or not the accusation may be, but the elders take this matter very seriously and recommend the accuser to seek counseling and they follow up on the matter quickly and in a loving way.

I hope I have given you some insight in the changes or growth within the organization. Please look into it a little more, you will be pleased that the congregation and the Brothers from the Society are taking this matter very seriously.

Please e-mail me back, I'd love to talk more. Dana Lundquist Danalundq@aol. com

Remote User:

Date: 04 Oct 2001

Time: 03:45:58

Comments:

Hello Dana, I noted your post and appreciate your optimism regarding the handling child molestation within the organization. I was much like you in having complete trust in the Society as to handling these matters properly. I was PO in my congregation until 12-31-00 so I am familiar with current information concerning this issue. As a matter of fact when I as an elder had to deal with an actual case of child molestation in my congregation it was only then did I realize how bad WT policy actually was. I had eight conversations with WT service and legal in an effort to have a fellow brother reported who had molested a ten year old multiple times. I was told to "wait on Jehovah". I decided Jehovah did not want me to wait when a person commits a crime against children.

I understand to that many elders do try to do the right thing in dealing with these matters, but if wt legal gets involved they have to do as instructed. It appears from your comments you have not read much of the website. I encourage you to do so as I think it will help you have a clearer picture of this matter. Read the victims page, are all these people lying about being molested as children? I have personally talked to hundreds who give names, congregations, and places. I believe them, while every detail may not be factual, I believe they were molested and hurt by wt policy. The wt you refer to is 1-97 I am very familiar with the article as I conducted the wt study and after doing so felt very good about the new policy. Three months later we elders got a letter in March that stating otherwise. That is, child molesters could continue to serve if it had been a long time ago. That point was not mentioned in the article. If you review the body of elder letter of 6-1-01 written to British congregations you will see it is still wt policy as of 6-01. You may review these letters on my website under wt letters.

You see, it is about telling the truth, I have no axe to grind with the Society, I simple cannot morally and ethically go along with a policy that hurts children. I wrote this to the Society in December of last year. You may read my letter on the website where I outline the full extent of the problem with wt policy. How did the Society respond? They said, "we accept your resignation". I have been associated for 43 years as a JW, close to 20 years as an elder and not one word of counsel was offered to readjust my thinking. Don't you think an old timer like me would at least deserve that?

So once again I encourage you to read the points mentioned and also you might review the sentencing hearing of Erica and Berry where between them, close to forty JW's pleaded for a judge to let the convicted child molester go and a good portion stated they would like the molesters to baby-sit their children. Do you see anything wrong with this picture?

As a JW we are taught to stand up for what is right no matter what the odds. I stand for what I believe to be right on this issue and I can prove it. If after reviewing the material suggested you would like to discuss this further I will be glad to discuss it with you. The conversation will be confidential of course.

I encourage any and all to write the Society and ask for them to change WT policy on this matter.

Three things should be adjusted:

1. If your child is molested, go to the police first and report the matter. 2. A child molester should never have any position of authority in the congregation. 3. A child molester should never be allowed to go in the door to door ministry.

Currently none of these are WT policy. Does that seem like to much to ask? I know these things are disturbing, but sometimes you have to get disturbed to get to the truth. For you to write I feel you must be sincere. I hope you find the truth of these matters.

regards, silentlamb

Remote User:

Date: 04 Oct 2001

Time: 19:36:53

Comments:

I am an ex-jw and live with my own pain of being abused and molested. my father still an elder, the molester, and my family still jws. It was much easier it seemed to discard me as a family member and remove me from the congregation than to bring shame on the organization. I have yet to recover. I am happy to have found this site. Thank You
kbs2112slb@aol.com

Remote User:

Date: 07 Oct 2001

Time: 02:38:36

Comments:

I think this web site is great for people like me who grew up a Wit. I can relate to so many stories that I read here, seeing all first hand growing up. It's comforting knowing that It wasn't all just me. As I was made to believe most of my childhood.

Jason

Remote User:

Date: 09 Oct 2001

Time: 02:52:33

Comments:

It is amazing how people who are to chicken to reveal their identity are so quick to call people liars. Your posts will be removed not because of what you may think of me, but for the simple reason you are calling molestation victims liars. Shame on you and people like you who re victimize those who have been hurt by those they trusted. Insolent stupidity and crass comments about victims will not be tolerated. May Jehovah move you to think about your actions and feel shame for what you are doing. silentlambs

Remote User:

Date: 09 Oct 2001

Time: 03:01:33

Comments:

Yes your posts were deleted as are all posts that attack victims. The victims come here as a place of refuge and where their stories are believed. In many cases the congregation did the opposite. When you say lies are being told you re victimize those who have had enough victimization from those they trusted. That will not happen here.

May Jehovah move you to feel shame for your actions and stop using harmful language against the silentlambs.

Remote User:

Date: 09 Oct 2001

Time: 03:02:52

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Remote User:

Date: 09 Oct 2001

Time: 14:58:41

Comments:

IM GLAD THEY HAVE BEEN EXPOSED WHAT A CRAZY WAY TO HANDLE THIS PROBLEM

SYBILJERRY INC @AOL. COM

Remote User:

Date: 09 Oct 2001

Time: 17:25:03

Comments:

About 4 years I spoke with a bro. in the Writing Dept. about the problem I KEPT ENCOUNTERING FOR YEARS in the congregations (plural!). I was absolutely enraged and fed up with it and sick to death of hearing it one more time and experiencing the repercussions of such an attitude!

I specifically said to this brother that we victims/survivors were vulnerable and were being put AT RISK and in danger by the brothers because of the things they were believing, saying and doing to us.

This very kind brother said to me and these are his EXACT WORDS (and I hope it doesn't get him in trouble): "I agree with you 100%. " He said that they had received many letters from sisters which were 10-15 pages long and that they were too lengthy to pass around to be read. And, he said that NO ONE had ever said what I told him. NO ONE had ever said that what the "friends" were saying and believing was rendering the victims more VULNERABLE and putting the victims AT RISK!

He proceeded to ask me to write what I had told him, and to be sure to include what I said about being made VULNERABLE and put AT RISK, on a "one page letter, signed on that page" and he gave me the exact address to send it to them. He promised me that he would see to it that those who needed to read it would get a copy. However, he said he could not promise what would happen after that.

A little over a month later I received 2 form letters from the WT Writing Dept. in response. In the second one, which was identical to the first except for some additions, they 'commended the elders' who had hurt me!!!! Can you imagine how that felt? I was devastated!!!

I had BEGGED the WT, the Society, our "Mother" as they told us they were, to come to our aid, to stand up for us, to cover us and protectively shield us, to be the parents we never had. Instead, they commended the elders who hurt me! This is just a piece of what transpired.

I just a few minutes ago got off the phone with the United Nations. The Watchtower Bible and Tract Society has been an affiliate in the NGO/DPI section for 10 years. (See www.un.org) They are registered under the subject of HUMAN RIGHTS. I let the UN know that my Human Rights were violated again and again by this organization which is affiliated with them and is supposed to be supporting the work of the UN in the area of Human Rights.

Thank you, Bill, for replying to the one who tried to re victimize us again by saying to that one, "When you say lies are being told you re victimize those who have had enough victimization from those they trusted. That will not happen here. " Thank YOU for doing what the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society of New York, Inc. has absolutely refused to do for us - time and again!!!! Thank YOU!

I will never be a silentlamb again!! I absolutely refuse!!! And they know it.

Thank you, P

Remote User:

Date: 11 Oct 2001

Time: 18:41:25

Comments:

People didn't believe Jesus either.

P.

P. S. - I left out a word on my Oct. 9 post. It was meant to read "About 4 years ago. . . "

Remote User:

Date: 12 Oct 2001

Time: 12:55:18

Comments:

This is a message to M Mouse, to the frightened child who hides behind the Disney Icon. If you have any intestinal fortitude you would come out and discuss what your angry about. Instead you hide like many of the victims of the WT have out of FEAR, that's right your as afraid as they all are.

Instead you hit of the SL site like Osama bin Laden and then run the dark hills of the "unknown cyber space" where you FEEL safe and make comments knowing no one can rebuttal you. Don't you feel "All powerful"? You are the cyber terrorist who carries the shame of "INGORANCE" cast on you by your blindness. Come out and discuss things in the open if you dare.

Remote User:

Date: 16 Oct 2001

Time: 12:59:36

Comments:

Being a former JW, I have heard many brothers from the pulpit, downgrade the Catholics for the pedophile priests, downgrade the Baptists for their philandering preachers and tell the flock that if those organizations were blessed by God those actions would not be taking place. Those issues have even been used as service points. I have heard it said that you cannot change a bad organization from the inside. I ask, what is the difference now, the JW's are the molesters not all but many, just like the pedophile priests, not all but many. My heart goes out to the victims because many still don't have closure because they can not blame the organization, they cannot blame because to find fault with Jehovah's Holy Organization would be worse than the sin that has been committed against them. Wrong is wrong and it will be a glorifying day when JW's can shed their fears and see the wrong that is being committed in their midst and act against it regardless of theocratic consequences. May God give all of the victims strength to survive, come forward if possible and start living a life without fear of harm.

GHP

Remote User:

Date: 18 Oct 2001

Time: 14:57:35

Comments:

what an excellent website! I don't know of anyone personally who has been abused in my congregation, but I have no doubt that these things are going on. Thank you!

Remote User:

Date: 18 Oct 2001

Time: 15:08:06

Comments:

My name is Lyndal Munoz, I am an x-JW since 1997. I would like to know if the Dateline program has already been aired or when will it be. Please answer me at lynbmun@hotmail.com. thank you.

Remote User:

Date: 18 Oct 2001

Time: 16:40:50

Comments:

i always thought it was the truth but you make it sound just like all the other churches

Remote User:

Date: 21 Oct 2001

Time: 04:43:36

Comments:

I would also like to know if the Dateline show has aired yet (called Silent Lambs) and if not, when?

My best friend was molested by her father who is a wealthy well respected ministerial servant in his congregation. No one ever did anything about what happened - her dad tells everyone that she makes things up all the time. Not only the molestation, but her health problems (a fatal disease - neurofibromatosis) and abuse by her ex-husband. I detest him, and wish that something could be done about this. I am disfellowshipped and happy to be out of the "organization"; my friend mentioned above thankfully never got baptized, and has stopped going to meetings, etc. and is going to a wonderful church and is much happier. I really hope that the JW's are exposed for all to see what kind of a repressive cult they really are.

-Karolyn

kikisdragon@yahoo.com

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Time: 04:43:44

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Remote User:

Date: 23 Oct 2001

Time: 00:16:18

Comments:

why don't you have a live chat room where we could speak to each other

Remote User:

Date: 23 Oct 2001

Time: 02:30:38

Comments:

Dateline is in the pipeline, the current state of world event are taking precedence which I personally concur with. It will air just be patient, you can be sure all will be notified as soon as I have the go ahead. also we have a chat room, just set a time in advance and invite others to come. click on the chat button to start.

silentlamb

Remote User:

Date: 24 Oct 2001

Time: 18:19:32

Comments:

I just came across your website -- the following is a poem I wrote years ago while dealing with elders who could not grasp . . . well, if you're here you know. It makes my head hurt to try to articulate it now. Anyway ==

I try without being obscene, But still,

One needs the poetic art of speaking

horrific things, in gentle tone --

to tell her story.

Unblinking brown eyes tell much -- and reading them, you know. But still,

There is the smile below her stare

wistfully aloof

to remind you that, as an adult,

you know nothing of things such as she has been through.

Remote User:

Date: 26 Oct 2001

Time: 11:49:29

Comments:

about 6 years ago i came out to the elders and told them i was sexually abused by my father. my mom ended up leaving my dad (i was 14 at the time) and i went through long sessions with the elders on this situation. they told me not to go to the police as it would reflect badly onto the congregation. being as headstrong as i am, i did anyways. i was disfellowshipped for that. now my family doesn't speak to me anymore, yet my father was found "repentant" and remained an active member in the congregation. i have heard that by now he is remarried - to a woman with small children nonetheless and that he is a ministerial servant. i found a letter online that was distributed to the elders in every congregation from the watchtower society that states people with a history of pedophilia ARE allowed to go

door to door, make comments, be with small children, become elders, etc etc as long as there haven't been accusations against this person in a long time. its quite sad really. email me at cember@email.com if you'd like to see it. i was amazed at the THOUSANDS of people who were in a situation like me. . . its encouraging to see i wasn't alone though! :-)

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Remote User:

Date: 28 Oct 2001

Time: 13:54:43

Comments:

Thank you for this website. . . I accessed it through a link provided in a jahchristian newsletter. I am appalled by the amount of child abuse happening, though thoroughly believe it, as we have had an incidence in our family. Please keep up the good work and keep people informed.

Remote User:

Date: 29 Oct 2001

Time: 14:05:58

Comments:

Great work! Can't wait for everything to be out in the open. Nothing ever happened personally to me or my family. But I do recall one young girl being molested. The elders told her mother not to speak about it. So of course, she didn't. I cannot say if this is the reason, but this young girl married at a very young age, had 2 beautiful children and then suffered a severe depression. She left her husband, children and the "truth" and lived an immoral life. Very sad, all of this might be because of Watchtower policy to keep everything covered. I am Canadian and apart from this story have

never heard of any other incident. I sincerely hope that the Watchtower changes their reasoning and start helping innocent victims. Because of their hypocrisy on different views, I have been inactive for nearly 2 years, and do not consider myself to be a JW anymore. I am anxious to see my families reaction when Dateline presents this story. Please keep us posted to when this will happen. Meanwhile, I pray that all the victims speak out, this is a first step in their healing process. God bless everyone of them, and no it's not your fault!!!

cridamado@yahoo. ca

Remote User:

Date: 29 Oct 2001

Time: 23:40:14

Comments:

I have never been and never will be part of the Watchtower organization. Thankfully I learned about the organization before I was ever approached about it. My ex-boyfriend just rejoined the witnesses after being disfellowshipped for normal teenage behavior. Nothing drastic. I found all of this information and couldn't believe that all of these people follow what is a path to destruction. Just from my ex's talk of his childhood, I soon understood what was going on. And I am so thankful to have gotten information such as yours because I have a 3 year old son and my ex kept asking me if he could take him to his "meetings. " (My son is not his child)The cases of pedophiles is another horror of the Watchtower organization. There is also the fact of the mind-control techniques that keeps members from finding out about these matters. And the fact that the New World Translation (the Jehovah's witnesses bible) is an abomination. The writers omitted scriptures and changed others around to suit their beliefs and doctrines. There are other serious issues about this cult and I have written TV stations in my area and I am going to write my local paper in the opinion section to inform people that they SHOULD look at this information. Thank you so much for speaking out and I pray for healing for those that have been violated and pushed aside because of some greedy old men that claim to be "God's channel of communication". Just remember this. They WILL know the truth and will be judged according to their works. Thank you again for your website. My ex-boyfriend will no longer talk to me because I tried to show him all of the information on the web and he said I was persecuting him. But his complete disgust toward my disciplining tactics of my son should have told me something sooner. He kept saying that my child should sit still and silent at meals and listen to me when I spoke and he kept referring to everyone and everything around him as "negative". I am grateful that I didn't get lured into that web of deceit.

November 2001 Guestbook

Remote User:

Date: 02 Nov 2001

Time: 12:46:28

Comments:

I keep hearing about this Dateline thing When is that happening? Is it still in the research stage only?

Remote User:

Date: 02 Nov 2001

Time: 15:04:46

Comments:

Thanks Silentlamb! It's wonderful to HEAL. LL LexALia@aol. com

Remote User:

Date: 02 Nov 2001

Time: 20:02:56

Comments:

I located your website via the book The Divine Plan of the Ages: Great Pyramid, I must admit that I was a little bit surprised! Do you know of the book, and do the Jehovah Witnesses still believe that the Great Pyramid is of God? Over the years I have conversed with your people, and I don't recall any mention of it. I am a believer, and would appreciate your input. Thank you sincerely, Paul Stewart

Remote User:

Date: 03 Nov 2001

Time: 14:06:15

Comments:

ITS ABOUT TIME I LOOKED INTO WHAT I SAW AND LIVED WITH FOR SO MANY YEARS. HOW COULD THIS HAVE BEEN OVERLOOKED BY SO MANY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCYS FOR THIS LONG IS WAY ABOVE ME, I WAS IN THAT ORG. FOR MANY YEARS,MY GIRLFRIENDS WERE MOLESTED, TOUCHED, FONDLED, AND WHO KNOWS WHAT ELSE ,BUT WHAT MADE ME THWE MOST ANGRY WAS THAT IT WAS DONE BY THE ELDERS OF THE CONGRAGATION,I ASKED THEM MANY TIMES WHAT WAS GOING ON ,THEY ALWAYS HAD THERE EXCUSES LIKE ,OH' SHES WAS JUST GIVING ME A BACK MASSAGE ,ETC. , ETC. WELL SINCE THOSE DAYS A WARLATER ,WHICH I WAS DISFELLOWSHIPED FOR,AND A COUPLE OF MARRIAGES, AND A BROKEN FAMILYWHO ARE STILL IN THAT CULT. . . . , I AM GLAD TO SEE SOME LEGALL DOCUMENTATION OF SOME OF THERE HIDDEN B. S. !. . . . I GREW UP IN THAT MESS AND NEVER DID LIKE SOME OF THE THINGS I HAD TO OVERLOOK, AND BOY DID I DO THAT,, MY FATHER WAS IN THE MISSLE INDUSTRY,WE TRAVELED ALL OVER ,HE ALSO HAD TO QUIT HIS WORK ,BECAUSE OF WHAT HIS WORK WAS CONTRIBUTING TOWARDS. . . THAT HURT OUR FAMILY ALSO.

WELL, ANYWAY IF ANYONE WANTS TO HERE SOME OLD TESTAMONY,20 YRS. WORTH+,,,MY E-MAIL ADDRESS IS SASSY42059866@YAHOO. COM I LOOK FORWARD TO ANY COMMENTS OR E-MAIL ON THIS SUBJECT

THANKS FOR MY PATIENCE D. D. G. 1956

Remote User:

Date: 05 Nov 2001

Time: 18:30:46

Comments:

Je ne sais pas si vous pouvez lire le français mais je prends une chance.

C'est une très belle initiative. Je connais quelqu'un qui a vécu un abus chez les TJ sans que cela n'ait été dévoilé.

Ce serait bien de traduire ce site en français.

Remote User:

Date: 06 Nov 2001

Time: 17:33:56

Comments:

As a former witness I know that what is being published on this website to be true. I knew of a case in Michigan where a young girl was being sexually abused by her stepfather and it was pushed under the carpet. She was the one that was blamed and the step father was left in good standing. This is the ultimate in spiritual abuse. The WT Society is responsible for many abuses. DK

Remote User:

Date: 10 Nov 2001

Time: 13:14:12

Comments:

Thank goodness at last someone has the courage to stand up and be counted. Many, many people have been sexually and mentally abused and told to keep silent, don't bring reproach on gods name. The organization that has used his name reproaches it with their very existence as an organization that refuses to accept the truth. . . . men who are elders are not appointed by god they are elected by bodies of elders. Giving them this false 'authority' leads to the catalogue of injustice and abuse being exposed all over the world. They are not capable of dealing with these matters, the sooner the congregations recognize the injustice the better. But they won't listen, after all any criticism no matter how valid is 'apostate, I am so relieved that our family who between us served over 200 years are all free at last, free at last. Only by the presence of websites like this will others be given the strength to make the break and maintain their freedom from the oppression of a mind control cult that preaches truth and freedom but delivers falsehood and oppression

Remote User:

Date: 14 Nov 2001

Time: 00:43:28

Comments:

I am a former JW and was attending that congregation in calvert city and have always had a creepy feeling (for lack of a better word) about xxxx. He & his daughter were too close as a father & daughter. I wish I had said something back then. I was disfellowshipped for adultery and you, xxx and xxxx made up my judicial committee and even then, xxxx wanted too many "details" of my escapades. I even went to him (before being disfellowshipped) about a young girl in the congregation who, I felt, was being physically & mentally abused, although not sexually, and he basically just blew me off. Apparently, someone was not doing their homework when they appointed him as an elder. The way I see it, they are no better than the Mormons (you should see the video on the Mormons & how they murder family members who go against them). But, God sees all things that have happened and Godly justice will prevail. I thank God that I am now saved and see the truth about all false religions.

Remote User:

Date: 15 Nov 2001

Time: 21:02:46

Comments:

i think this is a great site- we need more people to stand up and out for the truth! keep up the good work. donna

Remote User:

Date: 17 Nov 2001

Time: 11:26:31

Comments:

I was a JW for 22 years. I left on my own accord. It was not easy. . . nothing is when you deal with the WT Organization. I have suffered much mentally but most importantly, I have suffered spiritually. I was so happy to (by chance) come across your web sight. It has helped me regroup and realize I am not alone out here.

Thank you for being here! Diane

Remote User:

Date: 17 Nov 2001

Time: 14:12:15

Comments:

Hi! I had an article published in the St. Louis Metro Voice (my regular monthly column) that shares information about the two Family Shield radio programs that addressed issues facing the Watchtower Society. I'd like to send you a

copy, but can't find an address. This article can also be assessed over the St. Louis Metro Voice Internet site (can't remember the address right now). My e-mail is KLMeyer@worldnet.att.net.

Kay Meyer, President Family Shield Ministries (314) 352-2253

Remote User:

Date: 17 Nov 2001

Time: 16:40:18

Comments:

I AM REALLY GLAD TO SEE SOMEONE IS BRINGING LIGHT TO THIS SUBJECT. COULD I BE PUT ON THE SILENT LAMBS E-MAIL LIST. I WOULD APPRECIATE IT.

THANK YOU,

RUSSELL KEHRER

LITTLEBEAR5150@MSN.COM

Remote User:

Date: 18 Nov 2001

Time: 08:53:30

Comments:

Without boring you with details, I happened to come across your web site after looking up information on disfellowshipping. I have been a Jehovah's Witness for nearly 30 years, my wife has been a Witness all of her life, the last 2 years I have been totally inactive because this same kind of mentality. I have seen children hurt and then marked as evil when in their later years decided that they had had enough. I am not disfellowshipped nor have I disassociated myself, when dealing with the Bible I believe that Jehovah's Witnesses represent it as correctly as any human can, but I do take issue with their dogma and general mentality that promotes paranoia and despair, this does not promote good mental health and I don't believe that this is God's way. The information on your web site is an encouragement that not everyone in the organization is walking around with blinders on, I hope that it helps those who have been victimized in such a brutal way. I don't see the organization ever changing it's position, it hasn't over the past century, it's mentality won't allow it.

Cliff Moore camre105@mah-online.com

Remote User:

Date: 20 Nov 2001

Time: 11:56:04

Comments:

Bill,

In case you DON'T speak French, here's the translation of that 05 Nov 2001 post:

"I don't know if you read French, but I'm taking a chance.

This is a very fine undertaking. I know someone who lived with abuse among the JWs without it having been uncovered.

It would be nice to translate this site into French. "

Meanwhile, I would like to be added to your e-mail list, please: Outnfree322@aol. com

Remote User:

Date: 20 Nov 2001

Time: 12:12:21

Comments:

I have just looked at your site and I'm both horrified that this happens but not surprised. I was brought up as a JW but left at the age of 13. Still today I my life is continually bombarded by my father who is an elder who to me has got himself into such a high position of authority, no-one will dare to question him. He appears on the outside to be all nice things but I all too often see the other side. I don't think I was abused as a child but my grandmother certainly threatened to notify the authorities if he did not cease to hit me to the point of bruising,(ruled with the rod), come on, he broke a spade over my dogs back when it ran away. I can truly believe that things like the ones reported on your site are covered up because i have confronted him with other things about members of his religion and he has done NOTHING about them! Thanks for putting this site together. Black Sheep

Remote User:

Date: 20 Nov 2001

Time: 17:29:07

Comments:

Its so great to be able to access such information so easily in my own home. Having just recently come into contact with the JW organization (my husbands ex-wife is a JW and has custody of their 8yr old daughter) I'm glad that I can be aware and informed of the going on in their secretive world. I would love to be kept updated. Kay at kayjay_105@hotmail. com Any feedback on how I can protect our little one from this destructive cult would be welcome.

Remote User:

Date: 22 Nov 2001

Time: 05:03:54

Comments:

I find a great good that will come from this web site and its contents. I was a Jehovah's Witness for thirty years, till my own daughter was abused and I was not in proper health to cope from the stress of the situation because of a post brain operation, my daughter and her older sister went to the Elders for help but they demanded they not speak of it no more. My older daughter took the information to the proper authorities. Sense that time I have had nothing to do with this religion, I was not in a position to help my family for lack of strength, I could not rely on them to do what a reasonable person or persons would do under the same situation. Yours truly, L D

Remote User:

Date: 22 Nov 2001

Time: 10:48:01

Comments:

Sad to say, I am also a JW sexual abuse survivor. I was brutally raped by a 'brother' who six months after the attack, got married in a full JW ceremony at the KH. I reported it to the elders by the urging of my sister who I had confided in. It turned out to be a horrible nightmare. I was interrogated for for 3 days, 4 hours at a time. I asked them if they had interrogated my abuser, they said 'he denied doing anything, and they cannot punish him unless he confesses to raping me. " In the end they disfellowshipped me. Just before doing so, they gave him back full privileges at the KH. I appealed this decision but the appeal process was another nightmare I had to live through. I wrote a letter to Milton Herschel describing the entire situation and asking whether this is the Watchtower's policy on the treatment of rape victims. I never received a reply. Shortly after I was demoted at my job for not being able to perform. I was already depressed and had became suicidal. My mother advised me not to go to the police because 'this would bring reproach on Jehovah's name. ' She hid the entire situation from my father (who was never a JW). I eventually sought professional help which for the first time helped me to see myself outside of this cult. The counseling I received did wonders for my self esteem. As I write this email, my heart aches. I have read the press releases from the Watchtower society and seen their repeated lies regarding their policy. I am thankful now that I am not apart of this sad organization. I truly pity those stuck inside of it (including most of my immediate family).

JBG

Remote User:

Date: 22 Nov 2001

Time: 23:32:05

Comments:

JBG Could you email me?

info@silentlambs.org

silentlambs

Remote User:

Date: 23 Nov 2001

Time: 17:11:20

Comments:

You are doing wonderful work exposing what has for years been swept under the rug by Jehovah's Witnesses elders.

It has to come out. it takes a giant to fight the Wt. organization. you can do it. . . with God's help.

Dera in Nova Scotia, Canada drafuse@accesswave. ca

Remote User:

Date: 24 Nov 2001

Time: 19:12:24

Comments:

great site, great job. but don't think that anything will change in the society because it won't.

Remote User:

Date: 25 Nov 2001

Time: 18:39:07

Comments:

Thank you to all for bravely stating your histories: you have confirmed for me that, sadly, the WTBS is just a "person-run" organization: Jehovah must be looking down in despair at the happenings here on earth We can be confident that He WILL rectify matters, but am so sorry for all of you who have suffered so terribly. If anyone can help me regarding writing a letter of disassociation, I would love to hear from you! Thank you all once again. Lynda. . e-mail: lynda. hazell@aol. com

Remote User:

Date: 28 Nov 2001

Time: 11:11:10

Comments:

What a beautiful support site. Thank you for your efforts. I think you are probably helping a lot of women who have been abused religiously, psychologically, and/or physically. Keep up the good work! Heidi <http://www.virushead.net>

Remote User:

Date: 29 Nov 2001

Time: 01:34:31

Comments:

VERY INFORMATIVE, ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU HAVE A 4 YEAR OLD GRANDSON WHO IS BEING BRAINWASHED BY HIS GRANDMOTHER AND MOTHER , SOOO SICK.

Remote User:

Date: 29 Nov 2001

Time: 08:36:00

Comments:

I appreciate what u are doing. Please put me in on the mailing-list. Thank U holgerzeuge@hotmail. com

Remote User:

Date: 29 Nov 2001

Time: 15:24:32

Comments:

I am married to an ex JW, I don't think she was abused but I am very cautious of having my 2 infant sons around the congregation. Thank You for the warning.

Remote User:

Date: 30 Nov 2001

Time: 03:17:48

Comments:

The pro pedophile movement is all over America, not just in one religion. My grandchild was molested by her father at 16 months old, she told at 26 months old, she already had ptsd, from the molest, after a year in court on a incest case, a corrupt judge turned around, behind the mothers back, and switched 'exparte' custody to the pedophile. Mother and child, by the grace of God were not home when the jackbooted thugs came to take the child. How can cps get away with NOT investigation sexual abuse? How can cps (child protective services) get away with NOT investigating a hotline call from the State Police? When the baby disclosed to a trooper her father molested her? Only

in America, only with the pro pedophile father's movement. Look up the expert, Dr. Richard Gardner, blames the christians for our nasty feeling against poor pedophiles, he is a father's rights custody expert. NO child is safe in America, today my daughter was indicted for protecting her child while the pedophile runs free with his now 7 year old daughter, who is being destroyed by the evil government system. This is where we are, I believe Jesus will return soon and take the evil from among us, the sodomites who rape our babies, the courts who allow it. God bless the children.

Remote User:

Date: 30 Nov 2001

Time: 09:20:07

Comments:

To the Poster Nov 30. Yes I agree with you that the Pedophiles and those who protect them have wreaked havoc on women and children and even the good men who want to protect them. In my own case this has proved true. You mention Dr. Gardner. You are totally correct in your estimation of this evil man. He was the "expert witness" for the pedophile and the religious elders protecting him. He did everything to try to convince the jury that the victim was lying, schizophrenic, etc. and actually came out in his testimony in the courtroom saying incest does not harm the victim. It was the parents who psychologically harmed the victim by severing her bond with her molesting grandfather. DR. GARDNER is a pedophiles advocate.

December 2001 Guestbook

Remote User:

Date: 01 Dec 2001

Time: 19:14:02

Comments:

My name is Michelle Truett and I am a disfellowshipped J. W. I attempted suicide after their loving act. Thank God I was not successful because apparently God still loved me because after 14 years of not being able to conceive a child I became pregnant and gave birth to my miracle baby Noah. My e-mail address is michelletruett@aol. com.

Remote User:

Date: 02 Dec 2001

Time: 21:34:10

Comments:

Great site! There is more abuse going on in the church than we think, both cult and even in the true Christian church! Keep up the great work. Linda from Barrie, Ont. P. S. As the world fractures more & more as Jesus delays His coming, web-sites like yours will be needed more & more. God is able to totally heal & set free! Thank-you Jesus!

Remote User:

Date: 03 Dec 2001

Time: 02:55:08

Comments:

Thank you for sharing your stories and your support. Randy Watters posted my story years ago. He created a category called sexual abuse/other abuse. No one else would post my story. Rick Ross, a self proclaimed cult counselor rejected my story. He told me I was a victim of "False Memories". Randy was the first person to take me serious. I'm very grateful to Randy Watters. I'm an adult sexual abuse survivor. I have a Legal Assistant Degree and I do not have "False Memories". My memories are very real and traumatizing.

Remote User:

Date: 03 Dec 2001

Time: 03:09:40

Comments:

My Best Friend was molested by his Father. Everyone knew about it in the congregation. The Elders were told, but nothing compared to wife beating. My friends Dad also hit his Mom and she was requesting a divorce. The Wife Beating was made public but never the child molesting. My friend quit talking to me. The child molesting continues.

Remote User:

Date: 04 Dec 2001

Time: 16:58:11

Comments:

My heart goes out to those who have been victims to such morbid abuse! I was raised as a JW and then married a JW. I suffered both physical, mental, and verbal abuse by my husband. The elders in the congregation refused to do anything about it, and told me I was hard-hearted for not forgiving my husband when I finally decided I couldn't take it any longer. Everyone thought he was such a good christian. I finally divorced him when I felt I was falling into a very deep depression. Since the divorce I have felt as though a heavy weight has been lifted. I am now shunned by many that were my so called friends, although I am not disfellowshipped. I feel the elders of the congregation should also take this type of abuse seriously. I know of somebody who committed suicide for these very reasons. She was made to feel it was her fault! These policies certainly need to change! --Anonymous

Remote User:

Date: 04 Dec 2001

Time: 20:52:36

Comments:

what a great service for the silent lambs of the org. little by little the web is providing a lot answers and stirring a lot of questions about this org. Its really interesting to see stories surface about abuse, the history of this self proclaimed channel of God. I wonder how long before this org starts to unravel. Or what will keep it as tightly wound as it has been To me personally it seems that doctrine will bury this org first God bless, Randawg35@home. com

Remote User:

Date: 05 Dec 2001

Time: 01:12:24

Comments:

My child has been going to the JW for some time now. After returning from a recent visit with her father she announced that she no longer would celebrate Christmas with me. She is 12. She has been acting very strange for about 6 months. She has a step=sister and I know something is wrong with her too. I can't prove anything and my daughter wont tell. I don't know what to do. My stomach is in knots. All my motherly instincts tell me something happened very bad this weekend because her dads wife was out of town. Both girls are being weird. Where do I go for Help. I have tried to contact a lawyer this morning but he has yet to call back. I understand that the JW have a bunch of church funded lawyers and that small town lawyer do not want to fight things like that. I have a little over a week before she is supposed to go back. I plan not to be here when he gets here to pick her up. I want to change visitation or do away with it completely. But, I can't prove anything right now. How can I get help for my girl?

Remote User:

Date: 05 Dec 2001

Time: 01:13:36

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Remote User:

Date: 05 Dec 2001

Time: 17:21:11

Comments:

THANKS FOR bringing this to our attention SYBIL ,SYBIL JERRY INC@AOL,COM

Remote User:

Date: 05 Dec 2001

Time: 20:28:30

Comments:

I respect everybody's opinions. But I am not agree with all that stuff you guys have in here. We are "humans" and humans make many mistakes. Because we are imperfects peoples, Thanks to Adam and Eve. Some peoples make mistakes and never admits that. You made a mistake and you pay for it. Before talk about anybody, you have to stop and think very carefully why you let someone hurt you for too long. Don't say that some religion messed up your life. We are free to decide what we can or can't do. NOBODY put a gun or a knife, etc. , on you, to do what you do with your life. I was thinking the same way of you, guys, but NOW I know that we make mistakes ALL the time knowing that it wasn't right to do it. If you think for a moment there someone that ALWAYS says "don't do it that way because you can get hurt" and WE NEVER listen. It's very easy to say "look what they did to me" POOR OF ME. It's not Jehovah or HIS Witnesses the problem, it's US. That was very EASY talk about the FOOD after we eat it ALL and there's NOTHING LEFT.

Remote User:

Date: 07 Dec 2001

Time: 21:23:50

Comments:

It is comforting to know that Jehovah's heavenly armies of angels will come and slaughter evil individuals who will not receive the seal of God! "They were told not to harm the grass of the earth or any plant or tree, but only those people who did not have the seal of God on their foreheads. " (Rev 9:4) Obviously that includes you filthy little pedophiles out there who prey like vampires on young children. If you are a pedophile who is reading this, and you possess a human soul capable of love deep down, then you can get in your car right now, and drive to a county mental health center. Tell them you suffer the mental illness of pedophilia, pose a danger to children, and ask them to check yourself in for treatment! Otherwise you will suffer a horrible and well deserved death during the global cleansing called Armageddon, because you will not receive Jehovah's seal of protection. You will never know what it is like to live forever in a peaceful world free of sick urges like pedophilia that destroy everyone's peace of mind. You will soon be forgotten, dead forever, without any hope, if you are a pedophile and you do not act before it is too late. May Jehovah bless the efforts of those who labor to maintain this site.

Remote User:

Date: 08 Dec 2001

Time: 22:27:00

Comments:

my name is ian. i was raised as a jehovah's witness. i eventually escaped . escaped into a world i new nothing about. i don't want to play the victim ,but i need help. emasculatedpeach@onebox. com

Remote User:

Date: 09 Dec 2001

Time: 15:56:39

Comments:

I FOR ONE AM PLEASED WITH YOUR WEBSITE, IT EXPOSES THE WTS FOR WHAT IT REALLY IS, A BUNCH OF LYING HYPOCRITES,MIND-CONTROLLING, INTIMIDATING B*****!

Remote User:

Date: 10 Dec 2001

Time: 02:02:12

Comments:

It's terrible that you can spew out lies like this. None of what you claim is substantiated.

Remote User:

Date: 10 Dec 2001

Time: 23:22:26

Comments:

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quote: Some people insult those who disagree with them by questioning character or motives instead of focusing on the facts. Name-calling slaps a negative, easy-to-remember label onto a person, a group, or an idea. The name-caller hopes that the label will stick. If people reject the person or idea on the basis of the negative label instead of weighing the evidence for themselves, the name-caller's strategy has worked.

I think the FDS speak to the person above better than I can.

silentlambs

Remote User:

Date: 11 Dec 2001

Time: 22:03:38

Comments:

The long news article that posted on yahoo headlines last summer regarding molestation/JW reached many people. I questioned the organization after reading this. This is abuse that cannot be covered up or explained away. It is wrong! I researched for any other double standard/coverups. I was an inactive believer for the last 17 yrs and active JW for 20 years before that. I am a believer no more. I support your work. Silence is not golden.

e-mail: alderpatch@yahoo.com

Remote User:

Date: 13 Dec 2001

Time: 11:56:02

Comments:

I'm surprised at some of the thing on here, and pretty shocked that no one has done anything to combat this.

I don't share your religious beliefs, but I do believe the things spoken about here, and my heart goes out to you. The only way this kind of serial abuse can be combated is for you all to report it all. You have to all do it, and be persistent in getting action taken. What shocks me the most is how utterly naive you all are in thinking your 'elders' can or would do anything about it. Why on Earth haven't you all gone straight to the police?

Here's what you ALL need to do:

Write here:

Federal Bureau of Investigation J. Edgar Hoover Building 935 Pennsylvania Avenue, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20535-0001 (202) 324-3000

www.fbi.gov

write everything that happened to you personally, or your family, everything. DEMAND that they not only investigate this, but also investigate all the claims and this cult and its methods. One or two letters like this won't have much impact, but if you *ALL* do this eventually someone high up will listen and they will investigate and infiltrate this odd bunch. These are the best people to deal with this, as individual law enforcement agencies from various areas will only get part of the picture, not the whole. They also won't have the clout to deal with it, like the FBI will. Write letters, Emails, make calls, annoy people, let everyone know what's going on. Stop hiding this, tell the world. You must name names, let everyone know who did what. You may get sued, but if enough people find out your being sued for calling someone in this cult a child abuser publicly, then you can guarantee others who will have been abused by this fool or fools will come forward.

Lastly, don't let yourself be bitter or negative. Be positive, force yourselves, and FIGHT! For your rights, and your decency. People who do this kind of thing are not always monsters, sometimes with the proper help they can overcome this, check out stopitnow.org for more information. This place may help you too.

You've got to be strong, within, and keep on talking to others about it until something is done to combat it. You won't change things by writing it here, tell the FBI! All of you.

Bye.

J. jacob_march@hotmail. com

Remote User:

Date: 13 Dec 2001

Time: 15:38:54

Comments:

Interesting perspective. However, the problem is no better in other religious organizations. Perhaps some research with actual numbers might further your cause. And please do not forget to supply the numbers regarding other religious groups so you can make an accurate comparison.

Remote User:

Date: 13 Dec 2001

Time: 15:41:19

Comments:

Interesting perspective. However, the problem is no better in other religious organizations. Perhaps some research with actual numbers might further your cause. And please do not forget to supply the numbers regarding other religious groups so you can make an accurate comparison. Unfortunately, we live in a SOCIETY that protects and advances the rights of criminals. What should be done about THAT?

Remote User:

Date: 15 Dec 2001

Time: 02:52:50

Comments:

It is an issue that all religions face. The abuse by people who are in an oversight position.

Remote User:

Date: 16 Dec 2001

Time: 16:22:11

Comments:

I was raised as a Jehovah's Witness since birth till I was 18, I had a horrible childhood. Was abused by my father while my mother and "Elders" stood by and did nothing. I was also severely beaten if I didn't attend the meetings! I was considered a bad seed because I had worldly friends and listened to Rock music! (What a joke!) I looked for comfort in Drugs and Booze. I finally escaped at the age of 18 when my mother died. I felt my world was going to end. My father had a new girlfriend 2 weeks after my mother died (a sister) again the elders stood by and did nothing. As soon as I got away I felt so much better and free, I had no need to get high or drunk. I am now 37 and very happy. But, I did need some therapy, its hard growing up with no Birthdays or Christmas, it kind of messes-up a kids head. So anyone thinking of joining don't, the scars will take years to heal. BEWARE OF THIS SCAM THEY WILL BRAINWASH YOU, my 18 year nightmare took place in New York City at the East Manhattan Congregation. If anyone need any advise, feel free to contact me.

Rebecca Ulloa rebeccaulloa@hotmail.com

Remote User:

Date: 16 Dec 2001

Time: 16:22:43

Comments:

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Rebecca Ulloa, rebeccaulloa@hotmail.com

Remote User:

Date: 18 Dec 2001

Time: 09:38:21

Comments:

I am sooooo ANGRY!!! It's like my entire life has been this big fuckin; lie. (excuse my language) I graduate from high school and all I hear from my parents and the so called "brothers and sisters" from the congregation is how I should enter the full time pioneer service and become a secretary instead of fulfilling my dream of becoming a writer which of course would require me majoring in college for 4 years!! I WANNA BE FREE!!!

Remote User:

Date: 18 Dec 2001

Time: 21:47:09

Comments:

I was worried about one fellow who was always with the children and my friend suggested i go to verysafechild.net and i did. Now I know he is a pedophile so we don't let our children go near him

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Date: 18 Dec 2001

Time: 21:47:13

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Remote User:

Date: 18 Dec 2001

Time: 21:48:27

Comments:

sorry, i forgot to say, if you want to detect a pedophile in cunning disguise go to www.verysafechild.net I hope it helps stop these evil men from hurting kids

Remote User:

Date: 19 Dec 2001

Time: 00:54:48

Comments:

So many site like this across the web that exposes the evil of JW and it's so sad that the message haven't reached most people all over the world. Well, in no time it will. One thing is not being discussed in any anti-JW sites is the illegal methods of this cult in converting people to embrace their religion. Deceptions, fears, bribery, lies, intimidations, emotional abuse and black mail, social engineering, connivance and all forms of manipulations are being used in order to maneuver one innocent prospect to accept a Bible study with them. I am a victim of this cult. Your love ones might be also a victim.

Remote User:

Date: 19 Dec 2001

Time: 19:09:54

Comments:

I read the stories you have published here and I find it strange that a lot of these "victims" were raped or molested by their fathers. I find the whole site questionable simply because the web master was supposedly an elder who was done "wrong" Don't get me wrong. I abhor child abuse of any kind. But, I also know that God abhors a liar. Each one will have to answer to God for themselves. God hates a false tongue as well as he does abuse of little children. I cannot see the purpose of your site except to vent your animosity toward the Jehovah's Witnesses. You cannot come to the conclusion that JW are any worse than any other religion or group of people. If I had something against the Witnesses, I could write you a 100 made up letters for you to publish on here and only the foolish would believe them. The Internet is good for some things but in many ways it is only the tool of Satan. No, I will not sign my name or will I leave my email. This is the first and last time I have commented on something such as this and the whole thing , from your web site , to the letters, to even writing this makes me ill.

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Date: 19 Dec 2001

Time: 19:11:46

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Remote User:

Date: 19 Dec 2001

Time: 19:29:43

Comments:

I posted a bit ago, Dec. 19th,2001. I don't want anyone to get the impression that abuse cannot happen or that it cannot happen within the congregation of Jehovah Witnesses. I'm sorry!

Remote User:

Date: 19 Dec 2001

Time: 20:36:43

Comments:

Really like this site very informative

Remote User:

Date: 20 Dec 2001

Time: 00:54:02

Comments:

The purpose of this website is to expose liars. You see those in leadership positions of the WT Society have clearly stated there are no problems with molested children and Wt policy is sufficient to protect them. This is untrue and this website exists to expose the truth of the matter. The name silentlambs is just that, a name offered to the thousands who have suffered in silence and now have a forum to speak out, be comforted, and know we believe they tell the truth. If it happens to expose lying hypocrites, then so be it, as should anyone be exposed who allows children to be hurt with no remorse.

silentlambs

Remote User:

Date: 22 Dec 2001

Time: 18:43:32

Comments:

I can see how this would be true. My husband was caught forging a federal check for over \$6,000 and I reported it to the elders and they insisted that I stay SILENT. I also know women who were beaten by their husbands and were told they must stay by their husbands and NOT report it. Isn't it funny that these same men are still out in the ministry week after week looking so innocent to other people?

I have just decided to leave the organization this week. I don't believe God would have an organization that has filth in it like this.

Khayton@mediawave.com

Remote User:

Date: 24 Dec 2001

Time: 15:37:09

Comments:

How do we go about deprogramming ourselves after being raised in this org. ? I have been inactive for a few years, but I still find myself in the middle. . . confused. I'm not even sure where I stand regarding the holidays! I still suffer from a lot of guilt and unworthiness. . . and I think about my children I am raising. What do I tell them? I can see why there is a lot of depression in this organization!

Remote User:

Date: 26 Dec 2001

Time: 23:15:00

Comments:

Thank you for your loving, caring concern,not to mention your time, effort and expense. You have helped so many abused ones by giving them support and hope.

My father-in-law finally admitted he sexually abused his granddaughter only after two of his grown daughters came forward with the fact that he had sexually abused them from young childhood. Of course, he shed tears, and the JC reversed their decision to disfellowship him and instead privately reproved him. No warning to the parents in the congregation so that they could protect their innocent children!!

Needless to say, the family has been destroyed. By the way, he lives in southeast Alabama with his wife. His oldest daughter and her husband (both JWs) took them in. My mother-in-law claims she knew nothing about it, but the girls do not believe her.

When the elders met with us to inform them of the situation, the first thing out of one elder's mouth was "we don't want the police involved". He lives in Tallahassee FL (where my in-laws lived at the time of exposing his crime).

Thank you for allowing us to tell our stories and vent a little. Needless to say, we are no longer witnesses (and neither are the 2 abused and their families daughters). Bonwalksnowman@aol. com

Remote User:

Date: 27 Dec 2001

Time: 13:49:02

Comments:

My name is Jack Davis. I was first associated with Jehovah's Witnesses at the age of 7;in 1965;when my father began attending meetings at the Bridgeport Michigan Congregation. I left six years ago.

This is not my computer;it belongs to a friend; and I will have to ask his permission to leave an e-mail address.

Remote User:

Date: 30 Dec 2001

Time: 14:02:39

Comments:

Wow, Growing up in the Organization, I can not imagine to horrors that some of the stories on this web site. My heart goes out to all of you, CB

Remote User:**Date: 30 Dec 2001****Time: 18:47:08****Comments:**

Hi. At the age of 15, I was raped by a teacher. I was not attacked, I allowed it to happen, mainly out of fear and insecurity. Anyway, the Elders publicly reprovved me because they said I could have run away and not let it happen. Also, they claimed it made the congregation look bad. I lost my friends, my parents blamed me as well for the incident, they would not admit any blame in the situation even though I had been verbally and somewhat physically abused my whole childhood. Elders even encouraged them to spank me good for what had happened. I was punished alright, lost my driving permit, makeup taken away, grounded for 7 months. Yelled at and told what a loser I was for several years. Needless to say, I do not have a good relationship with my parents to this day.

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