



WINGS for Truth

## Danger at Dunville



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I feel an urgency to make those who have their eyes open and want to be made aware of their surroundings, familiar with my situation.

I sent the following letter to AC and GE as they are in charge of Dunville convention. I did receive a message back from GE, however he is not in the place of power to make decisions. The only message received from AC was that he would look into the matter and get back to me. To date, I have still not heard anything.

Below is the letter I sent last week after feeling very convicted about sitting on the sidelines for this long; I would not be able to forgive myself should something happen to another child because I continued to be silent.

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Good Morning GE and AC,

Hope you are both doing well.

Today I reach out with a heavy heart, and apologize for not addressing this matter sooner. I feel this message is long overdue but I have not had the courage to speak up to this point, nor have I wanted to stir up the past for various reasons. So, I have been trying to manage it quietly in the background to avoid causing any further issues or confrontations.

To provide some background, I was sexually abused by my older brother BL from what I can recall 10 years of age until I was 15. I believe it started earlier, but my memories are unclear or I may have suppressed it. I reported this behaviour to my school guidance counsellor when I was 12, and they intern had obligations to report it to children's aid, where there is a record of this. I also reported a second time just before I turned 15 years old, to which the police were involved. I have spent many years dealing with this trauma and only recently, (approximately 2 years ago) found peace within myself to let it go and I hold no ill will towards BL, (which makes coming forward even more difficult).

Recently, a list of individuals with allegations was circulated by someone who attended KC funeral in January, and it included my brothers name. This list was forwarded to me, and it

had a profound impact. Firstly, it triggered my past trauma, and secondly, it raised a fear that my brother may have harmed others, and there was another victim; I still do not have the answer to this today.

Additionally, about 12 years ago, when BL visited our home in BC and my daughter was less than a year old at the time, an incident occurred that alarmed both my husband and I. Given my brother's history, we strongly felt and still feel he intended to sexually abuse our daughter. Thankfully she was a light sleeper and woke up crying while he was in her room hopefully preventing any harm. Since then, BL has not been welcome in our home.

I bring this to your attention because yesterday morning, I woke up with an overwhelming feeling that BL could be a danger to children at convention. I felt compelled to speak with him first and ask him not to attend convention and to make alternate arrangements to listen online instead. He became defensive and has not responded since I declined his offer to have a conversation on the phone, as in the past when I have accepted this offer I have felt attacked and manipulated. However, I believed it was the right thing to do by giving him the opportunity to make the right choice before reaching out to you both.

There are many who will be attending Dunnville that are aware of my situation with BL and the threat he posed to our daughter. I did not want this to reach the point of sending a message to you, and hoped I could have gotten through to him yesterday. I feel a profound urgency that he could be a danger to children at convention and this urgency gives me the courage to speak up.

Convention is a special sacred place and I fear that his presence at convention could trigger other victims or endanger innocent children. I ask you to see the urgency in this matter and pray about it for clarity, as I do not want to overlook this strong feeling I have had, and risk an innocent child's safety, wellbeing or future.

Thank you for your consideration in protecting the children who will be at Dunnville or any other conventions BL may want to attend.

Please feel free to reach out should you need further clarification.

Thanks,

JH (nee L)