

John Vandenberg clarification

May 18

Many of you are aware John Vandenberg (California worker) was removed from the work and meetings. The reason John was removed was due to allegations of child sex abuse against a young girl. We have received many calls and private messages regarding the allegations against John. As of late, we have been told by multiple people that it is breaking up families and causing division in The Truth. By not being transparent, this is what can happen when facts are not shared openly and honestly.

Rob Newman stated in his letter to the friends on April 25, 2023, *"Recently we have received several credible allegations of unacceptable sexual behavior, including a complaint of inappropriate touching of a minor, which has been reported to the authorities."* This statement should have eliminated any questions as to why he was removed; however, for some reason there still seems to be confusion regarding John's allegations.

To continue our efforts in honesty and transparency, we are sharing what we've learned to be true and what Sheri discovered prior to the Dean Bruer case becoming public. Hopefully this will clear up any confusion.

Back in January of 2023, Sheri Autrey was working on her case and was informed there had been child sex assault allegations against John. The allegations involved sex assault against a 14 year-old girl in Mexico in the early 2000's. This information was given by a very credible source who was close to the situation at the time. Since January 2023, it has been brought to our attention that at least ten workers knew of this particular crime and participated in the cover up. Dale Shultz was instrumental in preventing the reporting of John Vandenberg's crimes to law enforcement.

Sheri also learned that many years ago, one of the friends saw pictures of John with young children. This caused enough alarm that the friend personally mailed a letter to John to address her concerns after seeing the body language displayed just in pictures. We too have seen pictures of John with many children when he was in the Philippines this year for Convention. In light of the allegations against him, these photos are equally troubling.

We were recently informed that some of the friends reported John to CPS and Rob Newman is aware of that reporting as he stated in his letter.

For 17 years, multiple workers have known that John Vandenberg committed sex crimes against a child. They did not report it. They did not notify you. Therefore, countless children were offered as living sacrifices.

Sincerely,

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