

# Rob Newman letter to friends

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Greetings–

We intended to get weekly updates posted here in this folder, so our apologies since this hasn't always happened – we've just been fully occupied with travel, visits and communications.

Glad to say our friends who are psychologists, clinical social workers and professional counselors who have made themselves available to assist in finding help, now have their website up and active: <https://dev.resourcesforhealing.org/home> We appreciate the care and help represented by their efforts and sacrifice to reach out and make themselves available. We have also been reaching out to known victims to see if there are ways we can help them receive therapy, if needed. We invite any victims to be in touch.

In the last couple weeks we have worked at addressing some new CSA allegations that have been brought to our attention. All of these have been asked to not attend any meetings until risk is assessed and appropriate measures are taken:

- Gilbert Smith, an allegation from when he was in the work about 20 years ago was sent to us, he is going through the professional risk evaluation process, as mentioned in the Child Safe Policy document (here in this folder, and sent out to everyone a few weeks ago).
- Rodney Loera, several allegations from 30-40 years ago when he was in the work in Mexico and Central America have come to light, he also is beginning the risk evaluation process with a professional.
- Manny Delacruz, there have been some behavioral questions and his testimony at Casa Grande convention raised alarms and precipitated a CSA report by a concerned person. Language and misunderstanding have been an added complication. All of his children (a daughter and three sons) are focusing on helping Manny strictly address issues while they await the CSA report outcome.

- Joe Schoen, two allegations have recently surfaced from some 20 years ago when he was in the work, he is beginning the risk evaluation process.

Through the past little while we have felt His help and presence near and some scriptures have become more real and meaningful. Maybe we can share a couple here:

- Nahum 1 - this whole chapter tells of God taking vengeance, even mentioning Him being furious. We know that nothing at all escapes His knowing, and everything is within His power: woe be us if we feel we can hide anything from Him. In His own time and way He does cleanse His kingdom, on many levels. Problems do happen, but an important test of our faith is whether we will follow Jesus in how we react and respond to problems. Nahum 1:3 "... the Lord has His way in the whirlwind and the storm"-- it is amazing how God is working purposefully and carefully in what we may perceive as 'chaos.' May our faith make it possible for Him to include us in the solution that honors Him. Also Nahum 1:7 "... He knoweth them that trust in Him." It's wonderful when we honor Him by trusting His plan and timing.  
The resurrection belongs to Him-- the power that does the glorious when there seems to be no hope.
- 1Corinthians 1:19-31 - especially v23, God's way is a stumblingblock and foolishness to the logic and reason of men-- how Jesus got the victory through the crucifixion. As He said in Matthew 18, humility is crucial-- we honor God by being quiet within, asking Him to show us His way, and allowing Him to give us the grace to walk with Him in His way-- then, v31, the glory goes to the Lord where it belongs. As we cling to the Rock, the stability and peace of the Rock becomes ours and we reflect the same precious peace to the world around us.

In closing, we want to again thank all of you who have selflessly helped us with the current issues, decisions and needs. We also thank all of you for your care and prayers, knowing our Father is watching over all things.

With care,

Rob and helpers