

In Nomine Jesu

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PUBLIC LETTER

To the Church; pass this on to all the Spirit suggests,
especially those who also have been harmed,

Brothers and sisters in Christ. Our Lord Jesus commanded, “if not . . . tell it to the Church”.

Those words never mean you are going to hear something pleasant. There is good. There is evil. Many will not read this far. “Hear no evil. See no evil. Say no evil.” Willful blindness to suffering is not wise.

“If he refuses to listen to them.” It is evil to be hasty and broadcast evils as soon as possible. “Turn the right cheek”, “Forgive 70 times seven.”, “Long-suffering”. The attached TIMELINE recounts events over forty years. Deliberate grave injuries done without apparent cause. Without offer of restoration, so that there was no idea what to repent, what could be done to repair the break. There has been no way to escape the continuing assaults. I said, if I received no response, I would tell the church and post on the Web. The web site, with much more information, is http://thesignofconcord.com/Pastoral_Ministry.php The site was created for my books “King of Kings” and for items from my Jail Ministry. Please read them and comment.

This is being sent to people beyond the SED - LCMS. What affects one member affects the whole body. It may be that some in the LCMS are afraid to speak. Do not think only LCMS members can express concern. From past experience, I expect this to be ignored by many, in hope it will blow over and be forgotten. If few care, heartless and foolish practice continue. As is said “Evil wins when good men are silent.” Perhaps your turn to be victim will be next.

Pray for the Church, ask for wisdom, discernment and courage for all. For the erring to be led to repentance and all who suffer to be comforted. Pray that in this, the power and glory of the Lord be revealed.

I apologize some will receive multiple copies. It is not easy to remove the duplicates from multiple lists. Please pass this on freely.

In the name of one called by God to proclaim His Love for all,



attached

TIMELINE. http://thesignofconcord.com/Pastoral_Ministry.php

<https://youtu.be/AUG0FCbv8Hg>

letter to Dr. John R. Denninger, President of the SED - LCMS



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Of course, you may rewrite this in any way and use your own letterhead.

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Dr. John R. Denninger, President of the SED - LCMS
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Dear Dr. Denninger,

Peace and Concord. Our brother, Rev. Stephen H. Funck reported a troubling situation. He claims he was removed from the SED email list last April. After that he met Rev. Donald S. Schaefer, the SED Northern Region Mission & Ministry Facilitator and sent a video and letter requesting restoration. He claims, it is obvious to him his removal is deliberate and for no conceivable reason to him. (edit)

He claims that he said he would contact the church at large (posting this situation to the web). He has given us a "Timeline" reportedly of actions by the SED over the last 40 years, that he claims have been harmful to him and his family. He said, he does not think you are aware of that history but may have been prejudiced by stories twisted out of reality.

First, we find this all deeply disturbing. As Christians we claim to be promote love, forgiveness, reconciliation and restoration. This does not sound like the Spirit of Christ among us.

Second, we would like you to let us know, if brother Funck was removed from the list and if so for what reason? Why was he not so informed and why have you not responded to him? Such actions should not be done in this manner. It only created greater problems.

Brother Funck has given us this letter and asked us to pray for the Church, to ask for wisdom and courage for you and for himself. This is sent as a statement of our concern and to inform you of our prayers.

Would all who sign this please inform Rev. Funck, so he can know of your concern.

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