

28/10/02 Telephone call, [BYF] approx. 6.15 - 6.50pm

[BYF] said that he'd received a copy of a letter from Daniels to Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn.

Letter said that Daniels' life had been ruined by what had happened, had brought shame on his family, had ruined him financially.

Indicated that he accepted being deposed from orders.

Said that he wanted whatever was to happen to happen quickly so that it brought no further suffering to his family or to victims.

[BYF] said it sounded like a 'Poor me' letter, but except for 1 paragraph that did say Daniels didn't want to cause further harm to victims.

[BYF] asked PA what he thought about this. Whether Daniels had suffered enough or whether more was warranted.

What did PA think of the Christian teaching about forgiveness in this situation?

PA said he thought nobody had a right to say to victims that they had to forgive. That in this situation it was up to [BYF] what he thought he needed to do.

PA asked [BYF] how he had been since we last spoke.

[BYF] said 'Terrible.' That he had resigned from his [REDACTED] job in [REDACTED] and returned to Tasmania. He was doing some private

[REDACTED] which wasn't stressful and was receiving good support from his family. He was particularly pleased that his father was being understanding and supportive which he hadn't expected. He'd expected his father to say that he shouldn't be living off social security payments, that he should be working. But instead he'd said that [BYF] had worked all his life and paid taxes and now social security was there to support him for this period that he couldn't work. [BYF] was pleased.

[BYF] said that he'd spoken to two different lots of police in Tasmania re Hawkins, that 6 complainants had come forward and police were preparing a case against Hawkins based on the 6 complainants.

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said there were three parts to the Hawkins matter, the criminal case, a civil compensation case and the question of church compensation. He had filed a writ for civil compensation which he had 12 months to do, or had to do within 12 months. The church in Tasmania had set up a committee (including the Registrar, the Chancellor, and some others) to consider the whole question of compensation to victims. There was to be a recommendation brought to the Synod next year.

BYF

said he wanted to talk to PA as a friend to see what I thought about Daniels and whether having gone to jail he had suffered enough. PA said that was entirely a matter for BYF.

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asked how PA felt himself having been an indirect victim of abuse in that Daniels had lied to and betrayed PA as well. PA said that that was quite different to being a direct victim of abuse and it was what victims thought that really mattered.

BYF

asked PA if he would have acted differently in relation to writing Daniels a reference if ~~PA~~ had known there were more victims. PA said he would have acted differently if he'd known.

PA said that Daniels had not been punished for what he'd done to BYF.

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said he'd read a book by Yonvey 'What's So Amazing About Grave' that drew out the difference between forgiveness and accountability. That a person could be forgiven and still be held accountable for the consequences of their actions.

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said that it was good to talk things over with PA as a friend. BYF gave PA his new telephone no. and address in Tasmania, and said that if he was passing through Brisbane again he would drop in. Said he had seen PA on television in June when PA had addressed the Synod on sexual abuse.

PA said he would keep BYF in his prayers.

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PA said that he was still working through all the several <sup>②</sup>about matters that had arisen in Brisbane. The Inquiry was due to make its report at the end of November.