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Dear Ian

Thank you for your letter in relation to Frank Houston. I spoke to Brian with regard to a response and he suggested that we take it to the National Executive for discussion. Following that discussion, I have been asked to write to you.

The National Executive is very appreciative of the care and concern that you have shown for Frank and Hazel since they have moved to the Central Coast. We have heard reports that the care that has been provided by you and your church has been outstanding. In relation to Frank, however, we can only reinforce the decisions of the National Executive that have already been made public.

Frank was found to have been involved in serious sexual misconduct and his credential was removed with the understanding that it would not be reissued. He was also given instructions not to engage in public ministry. As you will appreciate, this decision was only reached after very careful consideration of all the circumstances in his case.

Apart from what could be considered "public ministry", it is up to you as the senior pastor of an autonomous Assemblies of God church to determine the involvement of members of your congregation. The Executive would request, however, that you consider these matters carefully in relation to Frank.

Thank you once more for your assistance in these matters. May the Lord continue to bless your ministry for Him.

Yours in His service

KEITH ANGE
National Secretary