

Christian Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses



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BODY OF ELDERS
PALMER CONGREGATION OF
JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES, PALMER, MA
C/O [REDACTED]
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Dear Brothers:

Recently we received a telephone call from one of your elders, Brother [REDACTED] regarding an investigation into allegations of wrongdoing by Brother [REDACTED]. He indicated that the elders did not have past correspondence from the branch office regarding this matter. We have enclosed copies of two letters, which provided direction on how you should proceed in caring for this matter.

As we understand matters, another individual, Sister [REDACTED] has accused Brother [REDACTED] of sexual abuse. You have correspondence regarding this allegation from the Fort Kent Congregation in Maine. There is certainly a basis to immediately meet with Brother [REDACTED] and investigate this matter. Under the circumstances, it may be necessary to arrange a face-to-face meeting so that Brother [REDACTED] will be able to go on record regarding these charges. If, due to the distance involved, or because [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] would rather not meet with him face-to-face you may need to arrange it so they can face each other through a landline telephone conference call. Please contact the congregations where these individuals are attending and work with the respective body of elders in setting up this meeting. We are sure that the bodies of elders will be able to arrange matters so that at least two elders from each body will be present when this meeting takes place. According to the correspondence we received, Sister [REDACTED] attends the Houlton Congregation in Maine and Sister [REDACTED] attends the West Springfield Congregation in Massachusetts. Perhaps you are aware of the congregation in which Sister [REDACTED] attends. In any event, we are providing contact information for these congregations. Since the Fort Kent Congregation conducted the interview with Sister [REDACTED] it may be that you will benefit from their assistance.

Please provide the branch office with an update following your investigation. Your reply should refer to this letter by the desk symbols and date above. We send our warm Christian love.

Your brothers,

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West Springfield Congregation, MA
Houlton Congregation, ME
Fort Kent Congregation, ME