

This letter is in response to the letter dated February 9, 2019 from Larry M Brown, CEO, Ethnos360 (formerly New Tribes Mission) attached herein.

We are a group of NTM missionary kids (MKs) who have been interacting with NTM/Ethnos360 for many years. We have never wavered in what we have requested and to date our requests continue to be denied.

To begin, Ethnos360 continues to use the word allegations. Abuses, not allegations of abuse, have been confirmed numerous times in Ethnos360's own internal investigations. This has been stated most recently on the Ethnos360 website in response to NBC reporting and public pressure confirming what MKs have been stating for over 30 years. The continued use of the term allegations serves to minimize and invalidate the confirmed abuses suffered by these women and many others. Ethnos360 has identified over 50 abusers by a preponderance of evidence as is the standard followed by their internal investigations.

The decision to hire GRACE came amidst pressure from MKs from Senegal and was not initiated solely by Ethnos360. Notwithstanding the GRACE report, the claims of an independent investigation are deceptive both to the public at large and to MKs who participated in these investigations. Ethnos360 has exercised sole control over the subsequent investigations including, but not limited to, who is interviewed, what findings from those interviews are included in any report, the release or privacy of the report, etc. We believe a truly independent investigation releases its findings to all parties simultaneously without prejudice. In addition, Larry Brown was named in a report for ABWE, advising Michael Loftis, ABWE chairman to not use GRACE because of the release of information and the subsequent fallout that would occur.

The findings found in the GRACE report were only released after GRACE made the brave decision to release the report to the NTM victims and to the public simultaneously, precluding NTM the opportunity to vet the findings. The GRACE report uncovered heinous abuse at NTM's MK school in Fanda, Senegal, and repeated actions taken to cover up this abuse. NTM subsequently refused to use GRACE to investigate any other abuse reports.

NTM then hired Pat Hendrix to head IHART, which was presented as an independent investigative group, when in actuality it was under control of NTM from the beginning. IHART was created to facilitate its internal investigations into

the myriad abuse claims they had in their records, and that were continuing to rise to the surface. Ms. Hendrix was eventually fired and replaced with Theresa Sidebotham, an attorney who had a prior relationship with NTM, having been previously presented to MKs as House Counsel for the mission. Ms. Sidebotham was engaged to continue the investigations and reports for the remaining boarding schools. With Ms. Sidebotham at the helm, many factual errors in her reporting have been called to her attention by victims without resolution.

We feel the NBC story was very well done. The people involved in the interviews and productions showed great respect and tenderness to our victims. Ethnos360 claims their records show they took action on the abuse in Senegal. Their report shows the perpetrators were dismissed from the mission. However, in some cases these men were brought back to the NTM facility in Missouri for evaluation and counseling but not terminated immediately. Staff and families at the Missouri facility were not informed of the abuse these men confessed to. Ethnos360 disregarded the safety of the children at the Missouri facility by allowing these perpetrators unsupervised contact with children, including overnight sleepovers.

Initial reporting of the crimes of these missionaries was in the form of phone calls to hotline numbers. Reports were not accepted over these hotlines, as the crimes were committed overseas. Larry Brown and another member of the Executive Board state they traveled to Williamson, GA in order to report David Brooks' crimes, again. However, the date of this trip was 2010, 20 years after NTM learned that David Brooks had molested a number of MKs entrusted to his care. This local reporting was a direct result of the GRACE investigation and report, and it is doubtful it would have occurred without that impetus.

The wording of Larry Brown's letter would give the impression that NTM contacted the Department of Homeland Security, when in fact, they were contacted by survivors, and the family member of a survivor. It is true that the FBI was contacted about the Philippines case, but not until after 2010, and this initiative was taken by an NTM member who was working with abuse survivors, not by mission leadership in Sanford.

Ethnos360 denies they have taken the posture of defensiveness or self-preservation. Unfortunately, their actions covering more than two decades are in stark contrast with their wish to be seen as helping the victims of their

employees' abuses get justice. If they truly wanted justice for the victims, they would publicly name the perpetrators they found by preponderance of the evidence in their own reports.

As we have encouraged all along, we urge Ethnos360 to be transparent with all recipients of the attached letter. The supporting churches should require Ethnos360 to submit to an external audit to illuminate whether Ethnos360 is being good stewards of the support they are receiving, or are they squandering this by the staggering cost of investigations serving only to protect Ethnos360 and its perpetrators of abuse.

The issues identified here are only a small portion of concerns expressed over the years by many people, including the possibility of financial irregularities. Some of these concerns have been discussed at length in the Forums at FandaEagles.com. You can access them at this link.

<https://fandaeagles.com/forums/>

Respectfully,

Ethnos360 (NTM) MKs