



# WATCHTOWER

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The Body of Elders  
Kalamunda Congregation of  
Jehovah's Witnesses—Perth WA

Dear Brothers:

We received your letter of April 24, regarding BCH. For your information, earlier this year, BCH sent a letter directly to the branch asking for advice on being reinstated. As he appeared to be associating with Wattle Grove Congregation at that time, we forwarded his letter and our response to the body of elders there, providing the following brief direction.

BCH was accused of sexually abusing all four of his daughters. He confessed to this at the appeal committee hearing. While he claims one of the daughters has forgiven him, we understand that he has never apologised to his daughters. A charge of lying was connected to his denying the allegations of child abuse in court. He has served time in prison for his offences. Until he acknowledges his sins, namely child abuse, which constituted *por-nei'a*, and lying in connection with these sins, it would be difficult to consider that he was repentant.

We are not asking you to approach BCH to discuss these matters, and have provided this information so that you will be aware of his past if he does request reinstatement. While at some point a local judicial committee may need to respond to his request for a meeting, we would not recommend that the committee meet repeatedly with Mr BCH while he continues to deny the allegations. You should not hesitate to contact the Loganholme judicial committee for further details if there is a question over any future request for reinstatement.

Thank you for seeking our advice in this matter. We count it a privilege to be associated with you in caring for congregation interests. Please accept our warm Christian love and best wishes.

Your brothers,

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