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## The Body of Elders

### Kalamunda - Perth WA

After considering your letter of February 2, we are pleased to comment further on [REDACTED] BCH's repeated requests for reinstatement.

Despite his current and persistent claims, we can only reiterate the clear direction provided in our letter of September 19, 2011, as follows:

At least three of [BCH] 's daughters have provided clear and credible testimony of sexual abuse by their father. This includes the daughter who serves [REDACTED]. Her testimony is balanced and reliable, as opposed to [BCH] 's long-established pattern of lying to elders and judicial committees.

In addition to the conclusions drawn by various judicial committees, his deceitfulness is well known to responsible brothers here at the branch. As the matters have been clearly established judicially, and despite his repeated requests, there is no need for the local committee to review the original case with him. Rather, as the situation remains unchanged, we can only repeat the comments from our previous letters: ***Until he fully acknowledges to Jehovah and the judicial committee his sins of child abuse and of lying in connection with these offences, it would be difficult for a committee or the victims to consider that he was repentant.*** In view of this, and in harmony with the *ks10* elders' textbook, on page 118, two members of the committee should acknowledge receipt of the request and briefly inform him.

Despite his persuasiveness and the difficulty of the situation, we again advise extreme caution in recommending the reinstatement of a child abuser who has a proven history of dishonesty. If responding to future requests, two elders could briefly remind him that the only basis for reinstatement would be *genuine repentance* over the sexual abuse of his daughters and the associated lying.—*ks10* 11:4; 7:10; Prov. 6:16-19.

Thank you for ensuring that the judicial committee carefully reviews the above-mentioned details if considering further requests from BCH [REDACTED]. And may Jehovah grant you the “wisdom from above” in handling such extremely serious matters. (Jas. 3:17) We take this opportunity to send you our warm Christian love and greetings.

Your brothers.

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