

PROBATION

May 6, 1970

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1. H [REDACTED] P [REDACTED] is to report to one of the members of the committee the first Friday of each month or the following meeting if not convenient, to report on his conduct and to receive counsel from God's Word. This will help him to make straight paths for his feet in harmony with Bible principles.
2. H [REDACTED] P [REDACTED] is to show modesty that is befitting a Christian and not act in a way that would have a demoralizing effect on others, even in his own home. Since on at least one occasion his misconduct was associated with immoderate drinking, it is recommended that he closely and carefully control his drinking habits.
3. Since H [REDACTED] P [REDACTED] has not legally adopted S [REDACTED] A [REDACTED] and since his own misconduct toward a minor has had a demoralizing effect with loss of respect, it is suggested that V [REDACTED] P [REDACTED] be the one to counsel and instruct S [REDACTED] until such time as H [REDACTED] P [REDACTED] establishes respect and dignity befitting a Christian and head of his own household.
4. It is the earnest desire of this committee to help H [REDACTED] P [REDACTED] to develop the fruits of God's spirit in his life as outlined at Galatians 5:22-26. Every effort will be offered to help him conquer any bad habits so he can come into Jehovah God's favor and not receive an adverse judgement of disfavor from Jehovah (Revelation 21:7, 8).

S [REDACTED] F [REDACTED]
Congregation Overseer

W [REDACTED] W [REDACTED]
Bible Study Servant

[REDACTED]
K [REDACTED] T [REDACTED]
Third Member

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Congregation Overseer

W [REDACTED] W [REDACTED]
W [REDACTED] W [REDACTED]
Bible Study Servant

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] D [REDACTED]
Third Member

New York, N.Y. Congregation
A [redacted] Unit
H [redacted] P [redacted]
Bethel, Brooklyn, N.Y.
October 4, 1970

Watchtower Society
Service Department

Dear Brothers:

On October 4, 1970, the Congregation Committee of the A [redacted] Unit, New York, N.Y., Congregation met with H [redacted] P [redacted] to review the charges against him by several witnesses of conduct unbecoming a Christian on September 22, 1970 toward a minor age daughter of a sister in the A [redacted] Congregation. His actions and behavior were demoralizing and those of a sex pervert. At the hearing before five witnesses and the Congregation Committee he had no defense and had to finally admit his conduct was shameful, embarrassing and demoralizing to a young girl.

On May 6, 1970, H [redacted] P [redacted] was placed on probation by the A [redacted] Congregation Committee for demoralizing conduct toward the 15 year old daughter of his wife. Now that his actions toward another young girl have been heard it reveals to the committee that he is a practitioner of sin and has evil intents in his heart and mind. It was unanimous on the part of the committee that sat in on both hearings of the conduct of H [redacted] P [redacted] that he must be disfellowshipped from Jehovah God's clean organization.

This conduct unbecoming to a Christian on the part of H [redacted] P [redacted] which brought about his disfellowshipping will be announced to the A [redacted] Congregation on October 9th, 1970.

If the Society has any further questions with reference to this case or any suggestions please feel free to contact us.

Your brothers,

[Signature]
S [redacted] P [redacted]
Congregation Servant

[Signature]
W [redacted] W [redacted]
Bible Study Servant

[Signature]
K [redacted] D [redacted]
Third Member

New York, N. Y. Congregation
A [redacted] Unit
H [redacted] P [redacted]
Bethel, New York
November 4, 1970

Watchtower Society
Service Department

Dear Brothers:

The committee of the A [redacted] Unit after careful consideration would like to recommend the following Bethel brother for a Congregation Book Study Servant.

I [redacted] E [redacted] Other Sheep

Age 19; Years active in service 10; Immersion date 7/8/61

Last 6 month service average

	Av. Hours	Av. B-C	Av. Bi. st.	
3 months as a Pioneer	108	57.0	4.3	(Av. per month)
3 month at Bethel	18	10.3	.7	

[redacted]
Assistant congregation
Servant

[redacted]
Bible Study Servant

[redacted]
Congregation Servant



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November 11, 1970

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CABLE WATCHTOWER

New York, New York, Congregation
of Jehovah's Witnesses, A [REDACTED] Unit

Dear Brothers:

The Society is pleased to advise that the servant appointment to the position named below has been made. The newly appointed servant will want to fulfill this privilege of service in a manner that is pleasing to Jehovah and that will bring the greatest blessings to his brothers.

Congregation servant:
Address

Assistant congregation servant:
Address

Bible study servant:

Magazine-Territory servant:

Literature servant:

Accounts servant:

Watchtower study servant:

Ministry school servant:


Book study servant(s): Add: L [REDACTED] E [REDACTED]

Your fellow ministers of Jehovah God,

Watchtower B. & T. Society
OF NEW YORK, INC.

Note to overseer: Please see that the newly appointed servant becomes thoroughly familiar with his duties as they are set forth in the book "Your Word Is a Lamp to My Foot," Kingdom Ministry and other publications of the Society. The newly appointed servant is to receive from the former servant all forms, records and files pertaining to his duties. Please retain this letter as a permanent record in the congregation file.

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October 28, 1970

J [REDACTED] G [REDACTED] T-311
Bethel

Dear Brother G [REDACTED]:

As you know the Society has been checking into the possibility of adjusting your assignment. We believe that it will be better for you and Sister G [REDACTED] under the circumstances to be in another congregation and so effective the date of this letter or as soon as you can arrange it you are being transferred to serve with the A [REDACTED] Unit. There is a great need for help there as far as covering their vast territory and also we believe you will enjoy associating with the congregation very much. We know you will miss the brothers and sisters in the E [REDACTED] Unit and undoubtedly they will miss you. But we believe this new assignment will work out better for both of you.

We are sending carbon copies of this letter to both overseers concerned and Brother P [REDACTED], the overseer of the A [REDACTED] Unit, will get in touch with you just as soon as possible and he will tell you about your new assignment, where you will serve, times of meetings, etc.

Please be assured of our warm Christian love and we certainly pray that this arrangement will have Jehovah's blessing to the full.

With you declaring peace,

Watchtower B. & T. Society

OF NEW YORK, INC.

cc: R [REDACTED] P [REDACTED]
S [REDACTED] H [REDACTED]

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117 ADAMS STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11201, U.S.A.
SCD:SSD June 1, 1970

C [REDACTED] C [REDACTED]
Bethel

Dear Brother C [REDACTED]:

The Society is happy to advise you at this time that you are being appointed to serve as the assistant congregation servant and as a book study servant with the A [REDACTED] Unit. With your background and experience we believe you should serve well and faithfully there and Brother H [REDACTED] P [REDACTED], a member of the Bethel family, is the congregation servant of the A [REDACTED] Unit. So you can get in touch with him right away relative to your transfer to the A [REDACTED] Unit.

We are making this assignment effective June 10. This should give you sufficient time to turn over any calls and studies you might have with the B [REDACTED] H [REDACTED] Unit to responsible individuals in that unit and we are sending a carbon copy of this letter to Brother A [REDACTED] as well as Brother P [REDACTED] so that both brothers might be advised of this development.

We sincerely hope that you and Sister C [REDACTED] will enjoy your association with the A [REDACTED] Unit and we believe you are in a good position to make a contribution to the advancement of the work there. May Jehovah bless this arrangement to the full and may His spirit guide you in all things.

With you faithfully conquering,

Watchtower B. & T. Society

OF NEW YORK, INC.

cc: S [REDACTED] P [REDACTED]
M [REDACTED] A [REDACTED]

S. [REDACTED] P. [REDACTED]
May 31, 1970

Watchtower Society
Service Department
117 Adams Street
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Dear Brothers:

The A [REDACTED] Unit, New York, New York Congregation is now in need of an Assistant Congregation Servant and Congregation Book Study Servant because of A [REDACTED] W [REDACTED] having disqualified himself as a servant. It would be appreciated if the Society could assign a qualified brother from Bethel to fill this vacancy as we do not have anyone locally at present. A married couple would be a good asset to the congregation and would be preferred. If not, then a qualified brother is needed.

Your consideration of this matter is appreciated.

With you in shepherding the "Congregation of God,"
I am

Your fellow servant,

S. [REDACTED] P. [REDACTED]



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117 ADAMS STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11201, U.S.A.
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CABLE WATCHTOWER

New York, New York, Congregation
of Jehovah's Witnesses, A [redacted] Unit
c/o S [redacted] P [redacted]
124 Columbia Heights
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Dear Brothers:

The Society is pleased to advise that the following students of the current class of the Watchtower Bible School of Gilead have been assigned to work with your congregation:

J [redacted] S [redacted]
S [redacted] S [redacted]

Brother P [redacted] will contact each student and arrange to take them to the congregation's place of meeting and aid the students to get acquainted with the congregation.

Due to their heavy study schedule, these students will be unable to fully support the regular congregation activities. They will not be able to attend the book study during the week or support field service activities such as back-call night Monday through Thursday, as each night they must study to prepare for the next day's classes. Also, so as not to interfere with their scheduled studies, they are not to be enrolled in the theocratic ministry school nor are they to be given instruction talks. As for service meeting parts, occasionally one can be given a ten-to-fifteen-minute talk, but they should not be given oversight of demonstrations nor be asked to be in demonstrations involving rehearsal. If you wanted to use a student as a householder or to give a three-to-eight-minute sermon and it would not involve rehearsals, this would be all right. The point to keep in mind is these students have a regular schedule for study and they do not have time to take from their period of study for rehearsals and the like in connection with congregation meetings.

Should it become necessary for some reason for your congregation to change its weekly service meeting from Friday night to some other night of the week, immediately advise the Watchtower Bible School of Gilead, 107 Columbia Heights, as it will be necessary to transfer these students to another congregation having Friday night meetings.

Your brothers,

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117 ADAMS STREET, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11201, U.S.A.
SCD:SSD October 13, 1970

New York, New York, Congregation
of Jehovah's Witnesses, A [redacted] Unit

Dear Brothers:

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Book study servant(s): Add: J [redacted] D [redacted]
Delete: D [redacted] T [redacted]

Your fellow ministers of Jehovah God,

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October 28, 1970

A [REDACTED] R [REDACTED]
I [REDACTED] S [REDACTED]

Dear Brothers:

We are very happy to have you with us as members of the Bethel family and welcome you to this grand place of theocratic activity. This letter is to advise you that you are being assigned to the A [REDACTED] Unit and we know you will want to support the activities of the congregation fully, attending meetings regularly, participating in the field ministry consistently, as this will add greatly to your pleasure and satisfaction here at Bethel.

To facilitate matters for you we are setting forth at the bottom of this letter the name of one of the members of the Bethel family who is associated with your new unit and we are sending him a copy of this letter. You should contact him right away and he will accompany you to your new unit. You can go to the lobby in the 107 or 124 buildings and ascertain the room of this Bethel brother and then contact him right away. This will help you to get acquainted with your new surroundings and we feel sure it will work out quite nicely for you as you associate with this new group.

The Society is confident that you will work hard to make a fine contribution to the advancement of the Kingdom work in your new assignment and please be assured of our warm Christian love at this time.

With you serving the interests of the Kingdom,

Watchtower B. & T. Society
OF NEW YORK, INC.

cc: S [REDACTED] P [REDACTED] ✓



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BIBLE AND TRACT SOCIETY
OF PENNSYLVANIAOFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
124 COLUMBIA HEIGHTS, BROOKLYN, NEW YORK 11201, U.S.A.

September 18, 1970

S [REDACTED] P [REDACTED]
Bethel

Dear Brother P [REDACTED]:

I have received a letter of September 16 from the A [REDACTED] Unit, signed by the congregation committee concerning the probation of D [REDACTED] T [REDACTED]. This is to inform you that as of September 19, 1970, D [REDACTED] T [REDACTED] is dismissed as a member of the Bethel family. We appreciate very much the committee's investigation of the entire matter and the full report that has been provided for the office of the president. A copy of your letter has been sent to the service office. D [REDACTED] T [REDACTED] is not a fit person to be associated with the Bethel family. The probation will also be announced to the Bethel family. It is a shame that members of this family conduct themselves in this manner. When they do such things they have to take the consequences. It is good that he is leaving and that public announcement is being made. This way the sisters in the congregation will know what type of a person he is and they can protect themselves from him. If he leaves the city it will be best for you to find out where he will be going and the congregation that he will be associating with and then to notify that congregation concerning his probation. You can further state that he has been dismissed as a member of the Bethel family for his course of action.

Thank you very kindly for informing us and may Jehovah's rich blessing go with you as you continue to look well to the interests of the Kingdom and protect the organization.

Your brother and fellow servant,



N. H. Knorr

NHK/AG

S [REDACTED] P [REDACTED]
Astoria Unit
124 Columbia Heights
Brooklyn, New York 11201
September 27, 1970

Congregation Committee of the
F [REDACTED] Unit, Columbia, South Carolina
Dow B. Erwin
Rte 3 Box 302
Columbia, South Carolina 29206

Dear Brothers:

D [REDACTED] T [REDACTED] was placed on an announced probation because of conduct unbecoming to a Christian. For your confidential files a copy of the report on this hearing is enclosed.

In a letter from Brother Knorr, he states "If he leaves the city it will be best for you to find out where he will be going and the congregation that he will be associating with and then to notify that congregation concerning his probation. You can further state that he has been dismissed as a member of the Bethel family for his course of action."

May Jehovah's rich blessing go with you as you continue to look well to the interests of the Kingdom and protect the organization.

Your brother and fellow servant,

S [REDACTED] P [REDACTED]
Congregation Overseer
New York, New York Congregation
A [REDACTED] Unit

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New York, N. Y. Congregation
A [redacted] Unit
S [redacted] P [redacted]
Bethel, Brooklyn, N. Y. 11201
September 16, 1970

N. H. Knorr
Watchtower Society
124 Columbia Heights
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Dear Brother Knorr:

The congregation committee of the A [redacted] Unit feel it a responsibility to recommend the removal of [redacted] T [redacted] of Bethel as Congregation Book Study Servant in the A [redacted] Unit because of conduct unbecoming to a Christian. Also, all three members are in agreement that he be placed on an announced probation because of his unchristian conduct for breaking an engagement to marry and for toying with sexual immorality.

On Tuesday evening, September 15, 1970, the committees of the W [redacted] and A [redacted] Units met with D [redacted] T [redacted] and E [redacted] P [redacted] to consider D [redacted] T [redacted] admission of breaking an engagement to marry E [redacted] P [redacted] of the W [redacted] Unit where F [redacted] R [redacted] is the overseer.

At the hearing many things came to the fore with reference to the unchristian conduct of both parties. Both admitted to toying with sexual immorality over a period of six months or more to the point of handling each other's private parts, the removal of each other's clothing and exposure of their bodies to the extent that their sex organs touched and there was an ejaculation on one occasion. They admitted that there were at least four or five of such affairs between them while they were alone in her sister's home.

This courtship has been a stormy one and from the things done and said by both D [redacted] T [redacted] and E [redacted] P [redacted], it has been the conversation of others in the Bethel family to whom they have divulged their personal problems. Much letter writing, telephone calling on the part of both parents over this very immature courtship was revealed at this hearing. This is another reason we feel that an announced probation is necessary so that all will know such actions are not condoned in Jehovah's organization and that proper scriptural action has been taken. In a letter from D [redacted] father to E [redacted] he revealed that D [redacted] had broken promises to another girl before coming to Bethel. At this hearing D [redacted] admitted to toying with sexual immorality with this girl also in the past, which he said was almost four years ago. All these things only came to our attention through D [redacted] admission under questioning and that was the reason for probation instead of disfellowshipping. Whether he is truly repentant, as he says he is, only time will tell by his actions and behavior in the future.



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May 26, 1970

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CABLE WATCHTOWER

Congregation Committee of the
New York, New York, Congregation
of Jehovah's Witnesses, A [redacted] Unit
c/o S [redacted] P [redacted]
124 Columbia Hghts
Brooklyn, NY 11201

Dear Brothers:

The Society has at hand Brother P [redacted] letter of May 20 regarding A [redacted] and P [redacted] C [redacted]. After reading over the information in Brother Plumhoff's letter it seems quite clear that appropriate action has been taken. We might add that it is always good for the entire committee to sign a letter of this sort, thus indicating that the action taken is agreed upon by the committee. We realize, of course, that Brother W [redacted] was a member of the committee and so he had to be replaced by someone else. It would be good for that other brother to sign the correspondence along with the other members of the committee and we are returning the letter for such signatures.

It is good that this matter has been settled. We believe it will have a wholesome effect on the progress of the congregation and it will settle in the minds of the brothers there the fact that Jehovah has an organization which is interested in moral cleanness and that he is going to have his organization clean in any event. This should promote a further flow of Jehovah's spirit in every respect and undoubtedly the congregation will prosper. Please be assured of our warm Christian love and when the letter is properly signed we will be happy to have it returned for our files.

With you well-pleasing in faithful works,

Watchtower B. & T. Society

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Enclosure

New York, N.Y. Congregation
A [redacted] Unit
S [redacted] P [redacted]
Bethel, Brooklyn, N.Y.
May 20, 1970

Watchtower Society
Service Department
117 Adams Street,
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Dear Brothers:

On May 13 and 19, 1970, the Congregation Committee of the A [redacted] Unit, New York, N.Y. Congregation and P [redacted] H [redacted], the circuit servant, met with A [redacted] W [redacted] and P [redacted] C [redacted] to make an investigation into the talk that revolves around the close association of these two individuals and which has had some effect upon others in the A [redacted] Unit. Our main concern was what effect it may have on the free flow of the holy spirit in the congregation.

It was unanimous on the part of the committee and the circuit servant, who was present in an advisory capacity, that both A [redacted] W [redacted] and P [redacted] C [redacted] be placed on an announced probation because of admittance of several occurrences of acts and events which these two parties had no right to engage in or do. Such acts or events were confidential talk of marriage between them, kissing and embracing, staying overnight in P [redacted] C [redacted] summer house chaperoned only by A [redacted] W [redacted] senile mother, who he said does not know who he is, socializing to the point of causing talk as having the appearance of evil. Even after efforts of both parties to try to get evidence and hiring a detective to get evidence of unfaithfulness on the part of A [redacted] W [redacted] wife failed in 1963, he then permitted P [redacted] C [redacted] to move in 1964 into one of the apartments of the house he owns and lives in with his mother. This move caused more talk and concern even on the part of the congregation committee members and circuit servants such that letters were written to the Society over this period of time and counsel was given to A [redacted] W [redacted] to ask P [redacted] C [redacted] to move and take up residence elsewhere, but nothing has been done during the past six years in this regard. When questioned about sexual immorality, they both said there was none committed. Because of lack of evidence or admittance of wrong conduct, until recently no action had been taken. Now because of notoriety and the long standing of the case, the committee decided an announced probation was necessary so all would know action was taken by the committee to correct anything that had the appearance of evil.

They were told that an announcement would be made that both parties were on probation for "conduct unbecoming to a Christian" and that this was for their good, protection and safety, and also to build up respect for those who have the responsibility of shepherding the Congregation of God. After this P [REDACTED] C [REDACTED] said she was going to try to move and relocate some place else, probably upper state New York.

We prayed to Jehovah to give us wisdom, discernment and the ability to handle this case aright for all concerned. If the Society has any further question, please feel free to write or call us.

Your brother,

S [REDACTED] P [REDACTED]