

THE **Hope**
of Survivors

Reaching the **HURTING**...

Calling the **FAITHFUL**...

Bridging the **GAP**...

2004 Annual Report

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Necessity of The Hope of Survivors

The idea causes people to wince and turn their eyes away. Pastoral abuse, also known as clergy sexual abuse, is a subject no one wants to discuss, and yet it is a problem in every religious community. The problem spans all denominations and reaches into virtually all communities. The very people who have been designated by our communities as the models of morality are those who are accused and have too often been proven guilty. The problems created by pastoral or clergy abuse pervade urban and suburban settings, but they are even more challenging in rural settings and within independent churches.

The repercussions of this isolation from public view and ongoing supervision have been well documented over time. Flagrant abuses of influence have been described in such national projects as Tamar's Voice and Advocate Web and in writing by Poling (1991), Fortune (1998), Hopkins and Lasser, (1995) and Benyei (1998). These studies have shown the remarkably destructive effects of clergy abuse on the victims, their families, their religious groups, and their entire communities. These researchers have documented and demonstrated the essential nature of immediate, sensitive assistance to both prevent and intervene in the problem.

“And whosoever shall offend one of these little ones that believe in me, it is better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and he were cast into the sea.”—Mark 9:42 (KJV)

The History of The Hope of Survivors

The Hope of Survivors was born out of adversity, as are many grassroots organizations. One evening in December 2002, as Steve and Samantha were reflecting upon their experience of having been abused by their pastor a few years earlier, and the lack of resources that were available to help them understand and heal at the time, they felt compelled to develop a web site that would offer information to anyone who may be searching for answers. Steve and Samantha felt that if “just one person” would be helped by the web site, then it would be well worth the effort. Thus, they began researching and writing articles for the web site that went live in April 2003. The first couple contacted the ministry in July 2003.

Since then, The Hope of Survivors has been growing rapidly in its services. It has an active Board of Directors and volunteer staff. It often serves as the only available, unbiased liaison between victims and appropriate civil, public or religious assistance. Its documents, including a series of informational pamphlets, are circulated worldwide. The Hope of Survivors is unique, as a multitude of national web sites exist on the subject, but most either provide angry denunciation of various religious organizations, or they are associated with a particular religious sect and require that affiliation from their clients. Many charge for their services, and none provide on-site assistance that is designed to meet the specific needs of rural communities.

The need for The Hope of Survivors' unique services and approach is evident.

“That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched—this we proclaim concerning the Word of life.”—1 John 1:1 (NIV)

To God be the glory, what great things He has done!

About The Hope of Survivors

The Hope of Survivors is a 501(c)(3) public benefit nonprofit organization dedicated to assisting (primarily) adult victims of clergy sexual abuse and misconduct (from all denominations), as well as providing educational and informational materials and seminars to pastors and churches nationwide. Professional memberships include: Adventist-laymen's Services & Industries (ASI), Polly's Place Network: International Ministries (PPN) and the American Association of Christian Counselors (AACC).

Description of Mission, Services & Programs

The organization's purpose is to provide encouragement, support, referral, assistance, educational programs and information to victims of clergy sexual abuse and misconduct (from all denominations). The organization, and its Officers, Directors and Employees, use the Bible as the standard of their beliefs and philosophies in all areas. The organization seeks to:

(a) Educate the victims, the clergy, the church body and the general public about clergy sexual abuse and misconduct, the frequency of occurrences, the moral and social implications involved and the devastating consequences through national media, by disseminating brochures, conducting educational and informational seminars, and by maintaining an up-to-date web site;

(b) Conduct retreats and seminars specifically for the victims of clergy sexual abuse for the purpose of facilitating their healing and recovery, and helping them to gain a greater understanding of what has happened to them, giving them hope and encouragement, and restoring their faith in their Creator;

(c) Work closely with churches that are dealing with the after-effects of an abuse situation for the purpose of helping them to understand the importance of providing a safe environment for all and for understanding the dynamics of clergy sexual abuse so that the church and the victim are not further damaged in the after-math;

(d) Provide pastoral training/educational seminars for the purpose of providing prevention information and encouragement, and to work closely with those who have violated their sacred trust and encourage them to make amends to their victims and to receive counseling.

Organization Funding

The Hope of Survivors is funded by individuals who support the mission and goals of the organization; survivors of clergy sexual abuse who are now thriving and desire to use their means to help others; and by grants from private individuals and foundations whose values are similar to those of The Hope of Survivors. All contributions are tax-deductible. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Financial Information

The following pages (Exhibit A and Exhibit B) show the basic financial information for The Hope of Survivors for the fiscal year January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004. Income and expenses were as follows:

Donations: \$7,437.89
Expenses: \$28,825.67

Total: -\$21,387.78

The shortage is the amount of the expenses paid by the Principals (Steve & Samantha Nelson) to (or on behalf of) The Hope of Survivors that has not been reimbursed.

Financial Information – Exhibit A

Statement of Financial Position As of December 31, 2004

	<u>Dec. 31, 2004</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1010 – Cash – HOPE Checking	-833.07
1010 – Cash – NGD Checking	-30.57
1020 – Cash – Personal Checking	-49.38
1030 – Cash – Drawer	<u>-75.26</u>
Total Checking/Savings	-988.28
Total Current Assets	-988.28
Fixed Assets	
1600 – Equipment	<u>8,493.54</u>
Total Fixed Assets	8,493.54
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>7,505.26</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Credit Cards	
2300 – Credit Card Liability	
2310 – Company Card	177.19
2320 – Nelson Card	13,590.69
Total 2300 – Credit Card Liability	<u>13,767.88</u>
Total Credit Cards	<u>13,767.88</u>
Other Current Liabilities	
2500 – Personal Loan	<u>4,170.73</u>
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>4,170.73</u>
Total Current Liabilities	17,938.61
Total Liabilities	17,938.61
Equity	
Net Income	<u>-10,433.35</u>
Total Equity	-10,433.35
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>7,505.26</u>

Financial Information – Exhibit B

Statement of Activities January through December 2004

Jan – Dec 2004

Ordinary Income/Expense

Income

4000 – Contributions	7,437.89
4010 – Non-Cash Donations	<u>7.40</u>

Total Income

7,445.29

Expense

6050 – Professional Fees	
6051 – Legal	99.00
6052 – Accounting	<u>200.00</u>

Total 6050 – Professional Fees

299.00

6060 – Books & Education	1,927.84
6120 – Telephone	507.17
6130 – Dues & Publications	195.00
6140 – Seminar Materials	114.83
6150 – Licenses & Fees	690.00
6200 – Office Supplies	1,011.14
6220 – Collection Service*	4.07
6230 – Postage	898.11
6240 – Printing & Publishing	829.41
6250 – Photography	140.00
6260 – Operating Supplies	753.28
6400 – Advertising	2,921.25
6410 – Domain Registration	7.95
6420 – Travel	
6421 – Lodging	3,208.80
6422 – Airfare	555.80
6423 – Car Rental	18.30
6424 – Travel – Other	<u>798.37</u>

Total 6426 – Travel

4,581.27

6430 – Meals & Entertainment	654.87
6440 – Conference Expense	455.72
6450 – Fundraising Costs	209.54
6500 – Victim Assistance	1,611.88
6510 – Gifts	<u>66.31</u>

Total Expense

17,878.64

Net Ordinary Income

-10,433.35

Net Income

-10,433.35

* Collection Service is the cost of accepting online donations (banking fees).

Demographic Information By Denomination

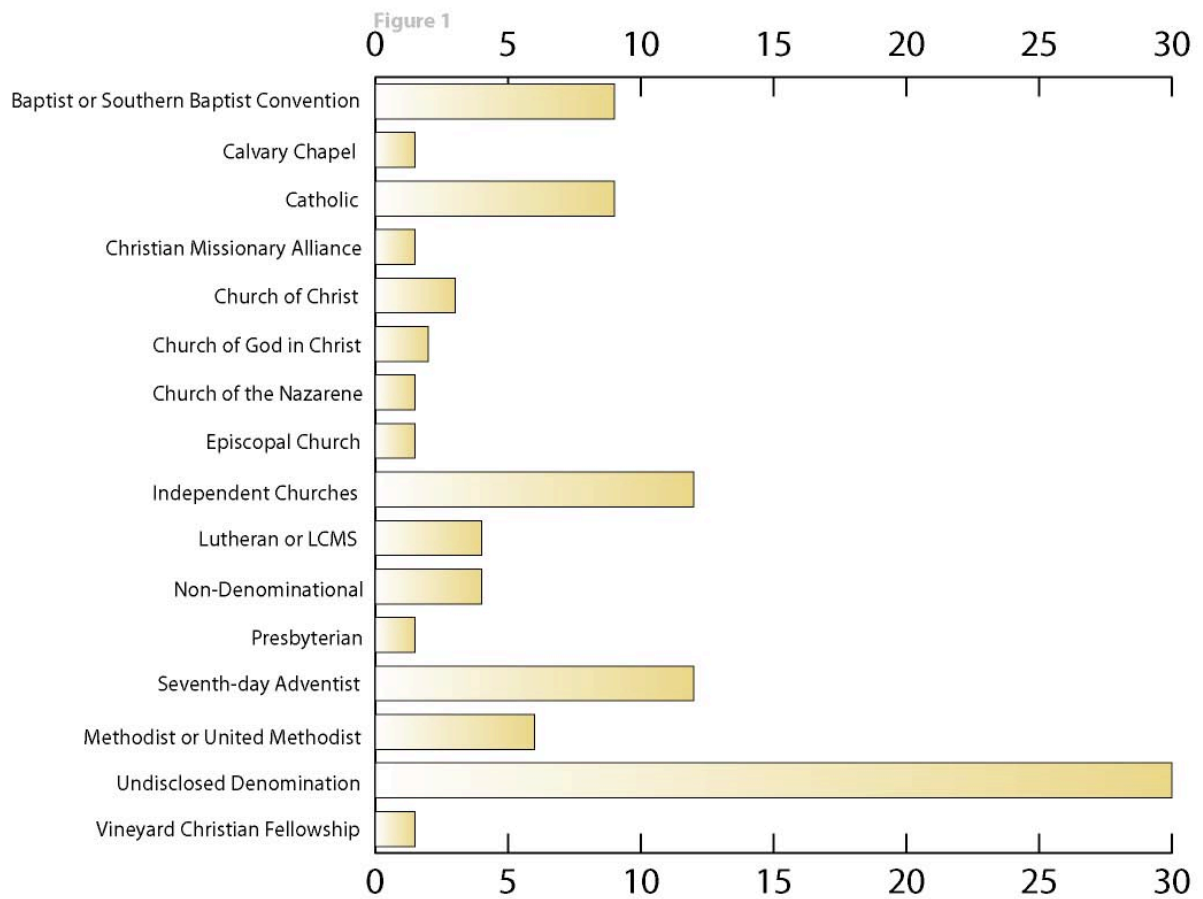
The chart below reveals the demographics based on reported denominational affiliation.

<u>#</u>	<u>Denominational Demographics</u>	<u>%</u>
6	Baptist or Southern Baptist Convention	9%
1	Calvary Chapel	1.5%
6	Catholic	9%
1	Christian Missionary Alliance	1.5%
2	Church of Christ	3%
1	Church of God in Christ	2%
1	Church of the Nazarene	1.5%
1	Episcopal Church	1.5%
8	Independent Churches	12%
3	Lutheran or LCMS	4%
3	Non-Denominational	4%
1	Presbyterian	1.5%
8	Seventh-day Adventist	12%
4	Methodist or United Methodist	6%
20	Undisclosed Denomination	30%
<u>1</u>	<u>Vineyard Christian Fellowship</u>	<u>1.5%</u>
67	Total as of 12/31/04	100%

Notes:

- (1) These demographics include 55 clients from 2004 and 12 clients from 2003.
- (2) These demographics do **not** include secondary victims such as spouses, children, friends or relatives of the affected individual who contacted The Hope of Survivors, or the other victims of the same pastor of which the client was aware and made known to The Hope of Survivors.
- (3) These figures also do **not** include known cases where The Hope of Survivors has been consulted but has had no direct contact with the client. These number approximately 85 additional individuals/couples.
- (4) The year 2003 averaged 1 new client per month. The year 2004 averaged slightly over 1 new client per week, an increase of 458%.

Demographic Information By Denomination



Demographic Information By State/Country

The chart below reveals the demographics based on the state where the client resides. There were 23 known states and 3 known countries as of 12/31/04.

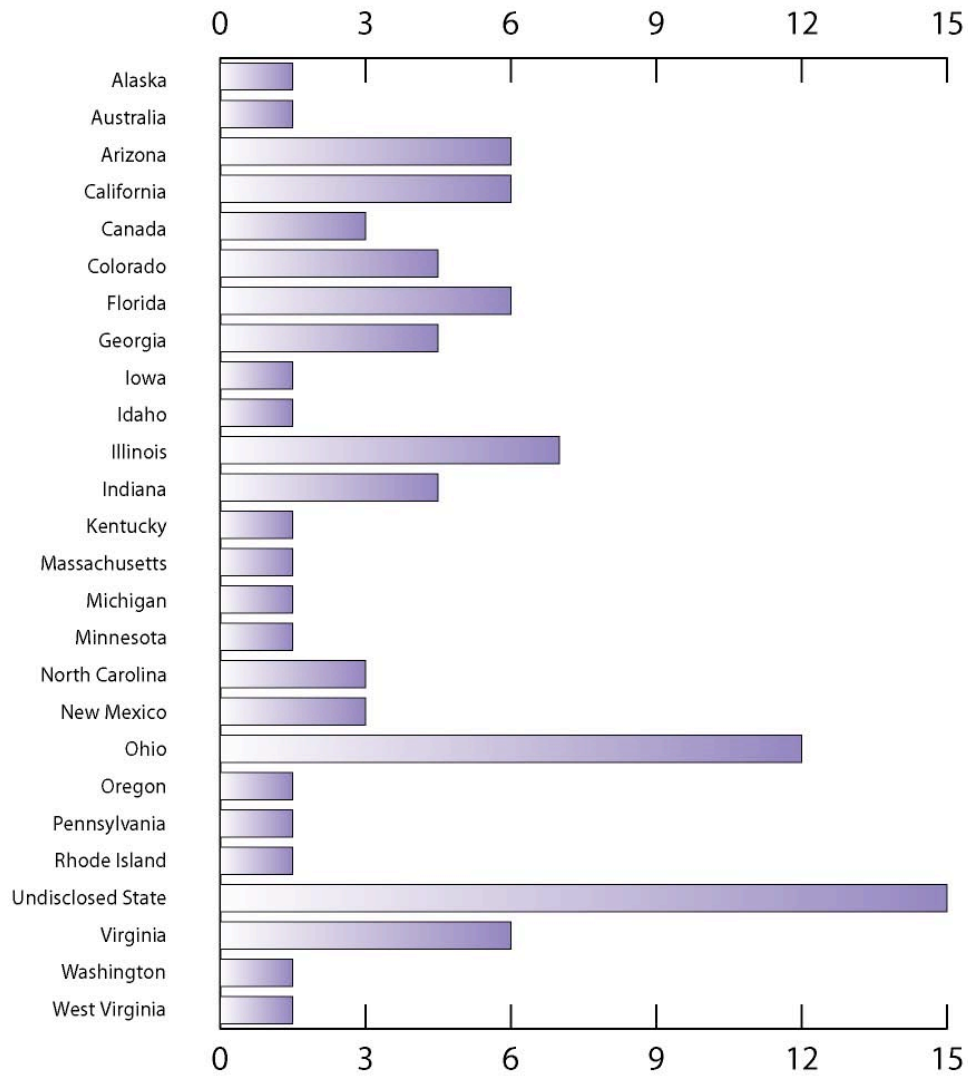
<u>State</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>%</u>
Alaska	1	1.5%
Australia	1	1.5%
Arizona	4	6%
California	4	6%
Canada	2	3%
Colorado	3	4.5%
Florida	4	6%
Georgia	3	4.5%
Iowa	1	1.5%
Idaho	1	1.5%
Illinois	5	7%
Indiana	3	4.5%
Kentucky	1	1.5%
Massachusetts	1	1.5%
Michigan	1	1.5%
Minnesota	1	1.5%
North Carolina	2	3%
New Mexico	2	3%
Ohio	8	12%
Oregon	1	1.5%
Pennsylvania	1	1.5%
Rhode Island	1	1.5%
Undisclosed State	10	15%
Virginia	4	6%
Washington	1	1.5%
<u>West Virginia</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1.5%</u>
Total	67	100%

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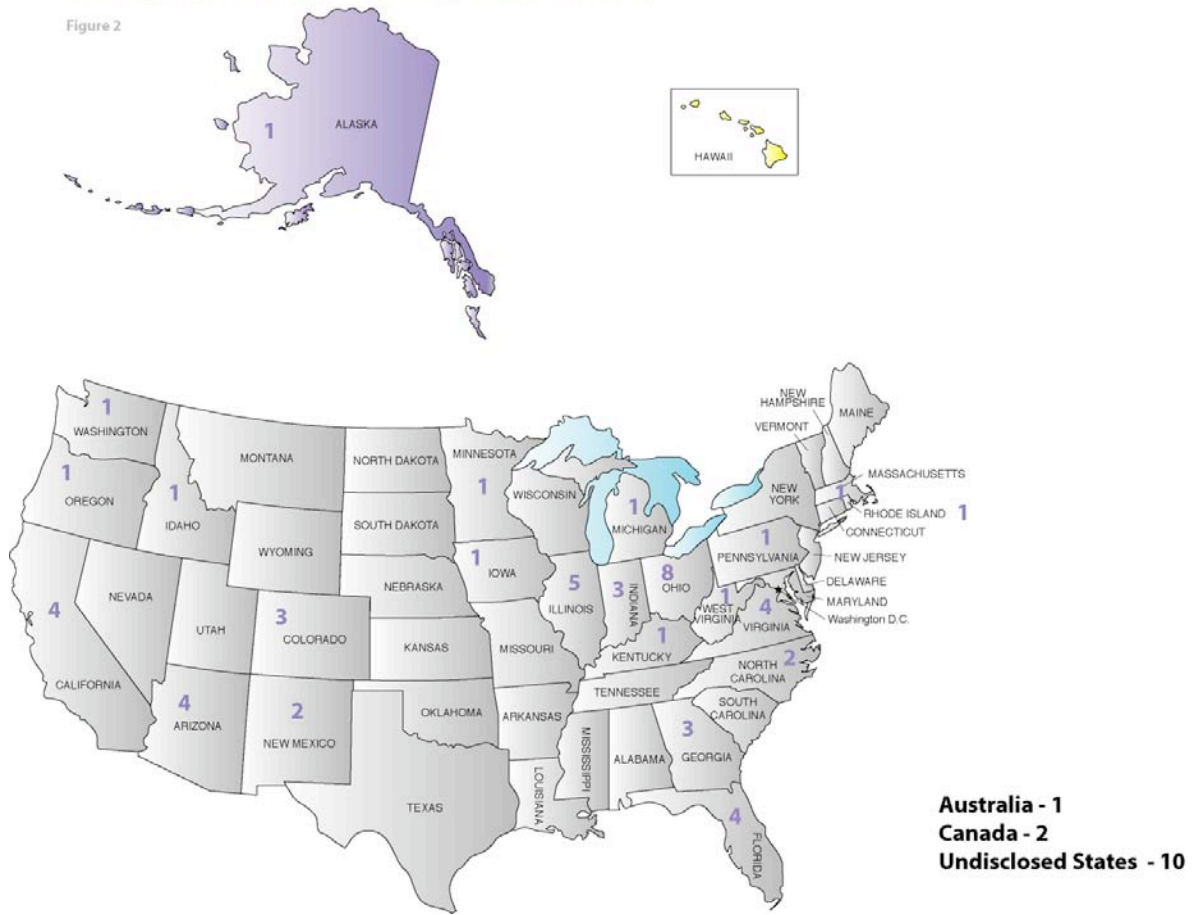
Demographic Information By State/Country

Figure 1



Demographic Information By State/Country

Figure 2



Web Site Traffic Statistics

The chart below shows the traffic that The Hope of Survivors' web site received during 2004. Most of the people who viewed the web site found it by searching on Google®, Yahoo!®, or a similar search engine. These figures are excellent considering the lack of consistent, full-scope advertising during the year. As funds to advertise become more readily available, it is expected these numbers will grow.

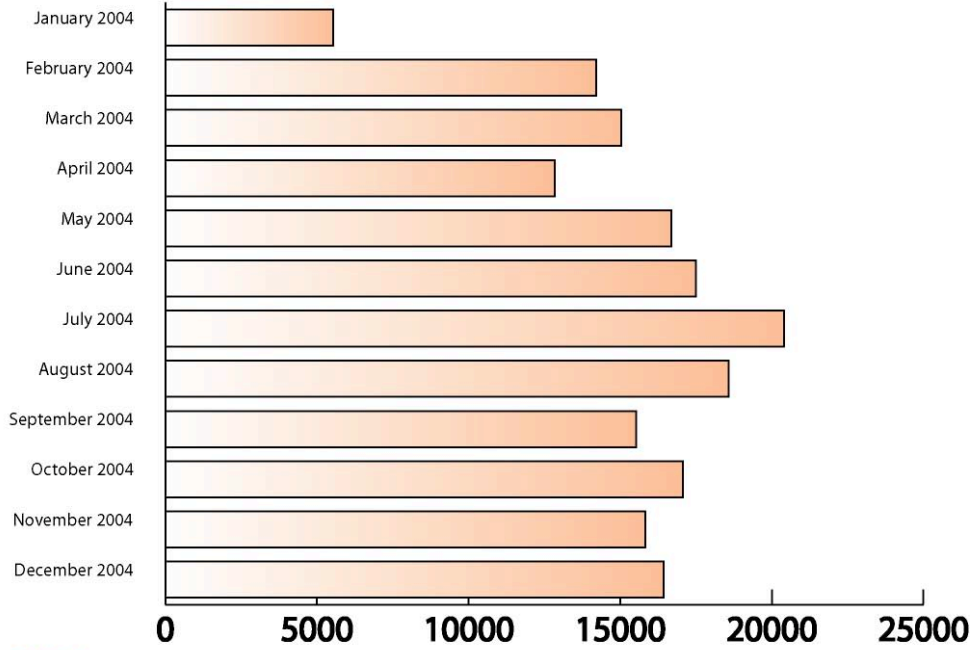
<u>Date</u>	<u>Hits</u>	<u>Visits</u>	<u>#People</u>
January 2004	5,537	1,221	2
February 2004	14,200	1,206	4
March 2004	15,040	1,635	3
April 2004	12,836	1,596	2
May 2004	16,685	2,544	3
June 2004	17,500	3,143	9
July 2004	20,410	3,973	13
August 2004	18,581	3,505	7
September 2004	15,522	2,974	1
October 2004	17,071	3,047	4
November 2004	15,830	2,579	2
<u>December 2004</u>	<u>16,437</u>	<u>3,182</u>	<u>5</u>
2004 Totals	185,649	30,605	55

Notes:

- (1) The # of People indicates the number of people who actually contacted The Hope of Survivors via email, phone or mail during the specified time period.
- (2) The # of Visits is the actual number of people who visited the web site during the specified time.
- (3) The # of Hits is the total number of every item or image on a page that has been downloaded.

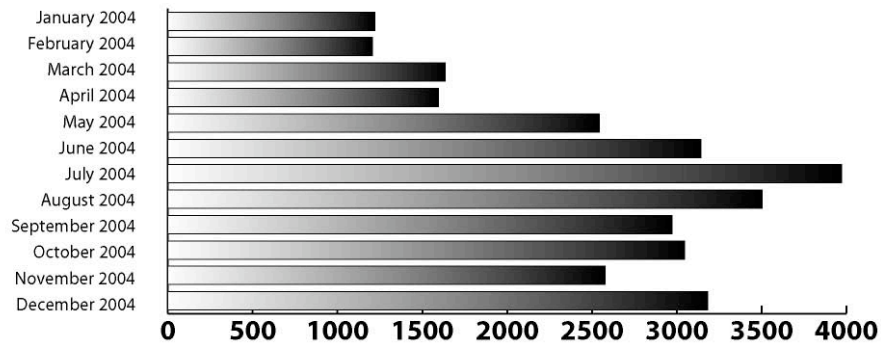
Web Site Traffic Statistics

Figure 1



Peach=Hits;

Black=Unique Visits



The Hope of Survivors Officers, Directors & Staff

The Lord is the Ultimate Founder, Overseer and Provider for the ministry of The Hope of Survivors. Without Him, none of the work would have everlasting effect. Our 2004 Board of Directors consisted of the following individuals:

Steve Nelson – President, Chairman, CEO, Elder
Samantha Nelson – Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, COO
Marvin Wray – Director, Pastor of the Napa Community Seventh-day Adventist Church
Tom Lemon – Director, Pastor, Oregon Conference Ministerial Director
Bob Withrow, C.P.A. – Director
Mable Dunbar, Ph.D., L.P.C., N.P.C. – Director, Counselor
Curtis Hartman, R.N. – Director, Elder

While the day-to-day operations fell heavily upon Steve and Samantha Nelson, each Director played a vital role in the development and advancement of the ministry and its goals. Directors were actively involved in Board meetings, major decision-making, literature review, prayer and many other activities. The Hope of Survivors is indeed indebted and greatly blessed by the involvement of each Director.

The Hope of Survivors was also blessed by the contributions of Isabel Fritzler, who translated the two brochures (pastor's and women's) into Spanish. As of the time of this writing, the door has not been opened to print or distribute these brochures.

The following chart shows the breakdown of volunteer hours throughout the year 2004.

<u>Volunteer</u>	<u>Hours</u>
Samantha Nelson	2,340
Steve Nelson	780
Isabel Fritzler	14
Curtis Hartman	10
Marvin Wray	8
Tom Lemon	8
Mable Dunbar	6
Bob Withrow	5
Total Volunteer Hours for 2004	3,171

The Hope of Survivors Online Survey

The organization is endeavoring to ascertain the widespread problem of clergy sexual abuse among adults. Statistics for this type of abuse are virtually nonexistent. In order to accomplish this, anonymous input via an online survey was requested, in which the following questions were asked:

Has your pastor ever...

Flirted, made inappropriate comments, innuendos or suggestions to you? (Yes or No)

Touched, held, fondled or in any way had inappropriate contact with you? (Yes or No)

Attempted to have or had sex with you? (Yes or No)

Seduced or pursued you? (Yes or No)

Degraded, belittled or cursed at you? (Yes or No)

Are you... (Male or Female)

There were 59 respondents to this online survey. The breakdown and percentages follow:

Results from The Hope of Survivors Online Anonymous Survey

Flirted	Touched	Sex	Seduced	Degraded	Gender	Date
76%	69%	49%	69%	54%	92% F	Percentage
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	2/21/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	F	2/25/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	F	2/25/04
Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	F	3/16/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	3/21/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	F	4/6/04
Yes	No	No	No	Yes	F	4/8/04
Yes	No	No	No	Yes	F	4/9/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	4/22/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	F	5/10/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	5/14/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	5/21/04
No	Yes	No	Yes	No	F	6/12/04
Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	F	6/16/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	6/16/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	6/18/04
Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	F	6/24/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	F	6/29/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	F	7/1/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	7/3/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	7/7/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	7/8/04
Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	F	7/8/04

Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	F	7/8/04
Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	7/12/04
No	No	No	No	No	M	7/17/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	7/18/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	7/19/04
No	No	No	No	No	F	7/22/04
Yes	No	No	No	No	F	7/29/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	F	8/4/04
No	No	No	No	No	F	8/6/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	8/9/04
No	No	No	No	No	F	8/21/04
No	No	No	Yes	No	M	8/25/04
No	No	No	No	No	F	8/25/04
No	Yes	No	No	Yes	F	9/3/04
Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes		9/14/04
No	No	No	No	No	M	9/16/04
	Yes		Yes		F	9/21/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	M	9/30/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	F	10/2/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	10/3/04
No	No	No	No	No	F	10/7/04
Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	F	10/9/04
No	Yes	No	No	No	F	10/11/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	10/17/04
Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	F	10/18/04
Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	F	10/26/04
Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	F	10/29/04
Yes	No	No	No	Yes	F	10/31/04
Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	F	11/2/04
Yes	No	No	No	No	F	11/3/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	11/5/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	F	11/13/04
No	No	No	No	No	F	11/22/04
Yes	No	No	No	Yes	F	12/10/04
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	F	12/11/04
No	Yes	No	No	Yes	F	12/29/04

Exposure Information

Advertising

Advertisements were placed in the following publications/entities:

American Association of Christian Counselor's 2004-2005 Directory (display ad - 1x)
The Pacific Union Recorder (classified ads – 2x)
Google AdWords (key words for search results – monthly)
PlusLine.org (banner ad)

Editorial

Articles and interviews with and/or about The Hope of Survivors appeared (or are scheduled to appear) in the following publications/broadcasts:

British *Marie Claire* magazine (scheduled for July 2005)
ASI Magazine (scheduled for 2005)
3ABN *Issues & Answers* program (scheduled for June 2005)
The *Pacific Union Recorder* (Letter to the Editor - 2004)
KCGS radio interview (Marshall, AR - August 2004)

Distribution of Brochures

Aside from distributing the pastor and victim brochures at ASI conventions, to The Hope of Survivors' clients, and to other organizations with an interest in preventing clergy sexual misconduct, the following was accomplished in 2004:

- A mailing to all Ministerial Directors and Women's Ministries leaders, representing 69 conferences and union conferences, in the North American Division of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, was completed in April 2004, and resulted in 21 requests for brochures (3,764 total) for distribution at worker's meetings, 1 conference, and 3 potential conferences.
- A mailing to all Bishops within the United Methodist Church, representing 58 Conferences in North America, was completed in May 2004, and resulted in 1 response stating the information would be passed along to someone else.
- A mailing to all the Presidents of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, representing 35 Districts in North America, was completed in May 2004, and resulted in 4 requests for brochures (1,030 total) for distribution at pastor's meetings, and 1 potential conference.
- A mailing to all the Pastoral Care and Leadership Development Directors of the Southern Baptist Convention, representing 44 Conventions in North America, was completed in October 2004, and resulted in no responses to date.

The Hope of Survivors' brochures have been distributed throughout the U.S., Canada, the U.K., Africa, India, the Philippines and Australia.

Newsletter

The premier issue of The Hope of Survivors' quarterly newsletter, *HopeSpeak*, was completed and mailed in October 2004 to approximately 250 individuals. The response was very positive.

Conferences

The Hope of Survivors conducted two conferences in 2004. The first *Hope & Healing* Conference for victims and their spouses was held in Cincinnati, Ohio, in August, and the first *Faith & Fidelity* Conference for pastors and church leaders was held in Anchorage, Alaska, in September. These conferences were conducted by Steve and Samantha Nelson.

Related Commentaries

The excerpts below are provided to reinforce the fact that clergy sexual abuse (pastoral misconduct) is a devastating work of Satan and that it is very difficult to minister unto those who have been entrapped in this snare, both pastors and victims alike. The work of The Hope of Survivors is critical and must go forward as the Lord guides and directs. The wounded victims must not be left to perish without hope or healing and without knowing that Jesus Christ is a loving Savior who would never do such things to them, and who desires to heal their lives. The pastors, and others in the role of spiritual authority who have succumbed to Satan's fierce temptations and have wrought destruction in the lives of others, must know that God loves them still and that He is waiting, with outstretched arms, to receive them unto himself again, if they will only repent. 1 John 1:9, *"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."* With this in mind, The Hope of Survivors strives to reach out redemptively to all.

Agents of Satan by Ellen G. White

(Excerpts from *Testimonies for the Church, Volume 5, page 137-148*)

"The worst feature in this case is that all his satanic work is done under pretense of being a representative of Jesus Christ. One sinner dressed up as an angel of light can do incalculable harm. Dark and fearful plans are deliberately made to separate man and wife. Said the apostle: *"Of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts."* (2 Timothy 3:6) These licentious characters even creep into respectable families and by their deceptive wiles and intrigues lead astray the conscientious. Damnable heresies are received as truth, and the most revolting sins committed as acts of righteousness, for conscience becomes confused and stupefied."

"...Corrupt men think it easier to misinterpret the Scriptures to sustain them in their iniquity than to yield up their corruption and sin and be pure in heart and life."

"There are more men of this stamp than many have imagined, and they will multiply as we draw near the end of time..."

"In order to cover his corrupt life and make his sins appear harmless, this man will bring up instances recorded in the Bible where good men have fallen under temptation. Paul met with just such men in his day, and the church has been cursed with them in all ages. At Miletus Paul called the elders of the church together and warned them in regard to what they would meet: *"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which He hath purchased with His own blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn everyone night and day with tears."* (Acts 20:28-31)"

"He who holds the truth in unrighteousness, who declares his belief in it, and yet wounds it every day by his inconsistent life, is surrendering himself to the service of Satan and leading souls to ruin. This class hold intercourse with fallen angels and are aided by them in gaining the control of minds. When Satan's bewitching power controls a person, God is forgotten, and man who is filled with corrupt purposes is extolled. Secret licentiousness is practiced by these deceived souls as a virtue. **This is a species of witchcraft.** The question of the apostle to the Galatians may well be asked: *"Who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?"* (Galatians 3:1) There is always a bewitching power in heresies and in licentiousness. The mind is so deluded that it cannot reason intelligently, and an illusion is continually leading it from purity. The spiritual eyesight becomes blurred, and persons of hitherto untainted morals become confused under the delusive sophistry of those agents of Satan who profess to be messengers of light. It is this delusion which gives these

agents power. Should they come out boldly and make their advances openly they would be repulsed without a moment's hesitation; but they work first to gain sympathy and secure confidence in themselves as holy, self-sacrificing men of God. As His special messengers they then begin their artful work of drawing away souls from the path of rectitude by attempting to make void the law of God."

"When ministers thus take advantage of the confidence the people place in them and lead souls to ruin, they make themselves as much more guilty than the common sinner as their profession is higher. In the day of God, when the great Ledger of Heaven is opened, it will be found to contain the names of many ministers who have made pretensions to purity of heart and life and professed to be entrusted with the gospel of Christ, but who have taken advantage of their position to allure souls to transgress the law of God."

"When men and women fall under the corrupting power of Satan, it is almost impossible to recover them out of the horrible snare so that they will ever again have pure thoughts and clear conceptions of God's requirements. Sin, to their deluded minds, has been sanctified by the minister, and it is never again regarded in the loathsome light that God looks upon it. After the moral standard has been lowered in the minds of men, their judgment becomes perverted, and they look upon sin as righteousness, and righteousness as sin. By associating with these, whose inclinations and habits are not elevated and pure, others become like them. Their tastes and principles are almost unconsciously adopted."

"If the society of a man of impure mind and licentious habits is chosen in preference to that of the virtuous and pure, it is a sure indication that the tastes and inclinations harmonize, that a low level of morals is reached. This level is called by these deceived, infatuated souls, a high and holy affinity of spirit--a spiritual harmony. But the apostle terms it "*spiritual wickedness in high places,*" (Ephesians 6:12) against which we are to institute a vigorous warfare."

(Emphasis added by The Hope of Survivors.)

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