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Re: Steve & Samantha Nelson  
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To Whom It May Concern,

Greetings to you from the Hawaii Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

I would like to recommend the Hope of Survivors ministry of Steve & Samantha Nelson. Words cannot express the blessings that they have been to our Church. Not only have our Church and Church School been educated in regards to Sexual Abuse prevention but there has also been a lot of healing in regards to Sexual Abuse! For their power to connect with the hurting stems from their own journey with being abused.

When I first began to talk about Sexual Abuse within our Church, I only knew of a few children who had been Sexually Abused. I had believed that this abuse was in every other Church but mine. But the more I brought awareness and exposure to the subject, the more the members began to feel safe and thus come forward to share how they had been hurt.

It finally hit me that this problem was much greater than I had originally believed. I know that this is only the beginning, but it is a good beginning. I am grateful for the ministry of Steve and Samantha Nelson as I know that they will be used by God to help heal many of our people within our Churches!

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter. God's richest blessings upon you and your ministry!

In His love,

S. Keala Thompson  
Pastor