

Overseer David Lane defends Kenion Coleman

US worker Kenion Coleman who has been on convention rounds in Ontario. Coleman has many reports of inappropriate behaviour with children, although WINGS is not aware of any allegations that cross the line of criminal Child Sexual Abuse.

Investigator Cynthia Liles posted this on social media:



Cynthia Dykstra Liles · 6d ·  by Author

Anonymous participant 386 We received seven reports from five different states. (Kenion has been in 10 states plus Mexico.) His allegations include unwanted and aggressive physical interactions with boys, aggressive grooming, and red flag behavior with girls which was potentially for sexual gratification. Parents have lodged complaints with workers in various states.

Do you believe a minister who cannot keep his hands off of kids or maintain appropriate boundaries with children should have a place in the ministry?

Two friends corresponded with Overseer David Lane, who defended Kenion Coleman and then attacked Cynthia (shoot the messenger), and subtly turned on the writer.

Friend 1:

Hi David: Hope your convention travels are going well. I have a question: are you comfortable having Kenion Coleman participating at the Iron Bridge convention. I understand he was also at Sea Grave. I understand he has serious allegations in regard to his involvement of children.

Best wishes to you.

David Lane:

Hi

To answer your question. Going by how the Lord used Kenion to feed our hearts and souls yesterday, I would say the Lord is very comfortable with Kenion. I accept what the Lord is blessing

Sincerely
Dave Lane

Friend 1:

I'm very disappointed in your response. Are you stating that Jesus our Lord and Savior is comfortable with someone with allegations to this extent is being used to provide Spiritual Counsel to His people?

Have you asked the victims whose lives he has ruined regarding this?

Who is more important in your sight, Kenion Coleman or suffering victims? I'm disappointed Dave.

(Friend 2 sees the exchange above and writes the following.)

Friend 2:

I want to follow up on your response regarding Kenion Coleman being at Seagrave and Iron Bridge.

You said that because the Lord used Kenion to feed hearts and souls, you accept what the Lord is blessing. I'd like you to apply that same measuring stick to Dean Bruer, Ira Hobbs, and Leslie White. They were all considered gifted speakers too. People felt fed and blessed by their ministry. We know now what was happening behind it.

You probably assume I left because of sexual abuse and child sexual abuse. And honestly, that alone would be more than enough reason. But it goes deeper than that. It's the lack of response to it. It's the fruit I see this so-called ministry producing. Protecting Kenion Coleman while those children sat in those meetings is exactly that fruit.

Spiritual fruitfulness is not a child safety policy, Dave. It never has been.

David Lane:

Hi
I have read your text.

Dave L.

Then Friend 2 heard that David Lane was telling people the allegations against Kenion were false. So this was sent:

Friend 2

Thank you. I hope you will give it consideration.
There is a whole generation of children depending on you.

David Lane:

Good evening,

I have recieved your text. I feel you do need a reply. I am trusting that your motive is not about destroying workers.

I see the information you have passed on to me comes from Cynthia Liles. (I had expected that was the source. Thanks for clarifying it) In the past 2-3 years I have

followed up on information Cynthia has shared on 3 workers that according to Cynthia had allegations that excited a number of folk here in Ontario. Who in turn felt these 3 individuals should not have a place in the work.

In my follow up I discovered that the allegations were not true. I haven't had any confidence in anything she has to say since then.

I understand the FBI asked her to hand over her information awhile back and they found untrue things also. From the very beginning Cynthia made it clear she was making it her business to destroy the overseers and the ministry. She even went as far as to say, if I have to lie about I will.

I do think she has a following who back her up on all that thought. A couple lawyers who workers have asked for advise. The lawyers both say that what Cynthia is doing is defamation of character. If she really is an investigator she would know what she is doing is leaving herself open for a law suite. They feel she takes this liberty because she is quite confident that the workers won't fight back. They question that she is even an investigator. No real investigator does such things.

From what I have known of you [Friend 2] through the years, I have thought of you of a much higher standard of character. Please be careful.

This is written to you and not to be shared with your network of people. I trust you. Please don't break that trust. I trusted someone I never should of trusted because I found out later they shared my reply to them with many. It becomes clear the motive was different then what they implied. I felt betrayed.

Sincerely David

Friend 2:

David, I just tried to talk to you about my concerns about a worker that has many reports, and this is exactly what you just did to me:

The 3 Stages of DARVO

- Deny: The perpetrator vehemently denies that the wrongdoing or abuse ever happened. If the evidence is undeniable, they will minimize the event or twist the narrative to make it sound less severe.

<https://www.domesticshelters.org/articles/identifying-abuse/explaining-darvo-deny-attack-reverse-victim-amp-offender>

<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/10926771.2020.1774695>

- **Attack:** The abuser shifts focus away from their own actions by attacking the credibility, character, or sanity of the person confronting them. They may paint the victim as overly emotional, dishonest, or aggressive.

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2eQlbaNTJHE>

<https://harbormentalhealth.com/2025/10/31/darvo-manipulation-how-to-spot-and-protect-yourself/>

- **Reverse Victim and Offender:** The perpetrator flips the script, positioning themselves as the actual victim of the situation and portraying the original victim as the wrongdoer.

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David Lane:

Fair enough.