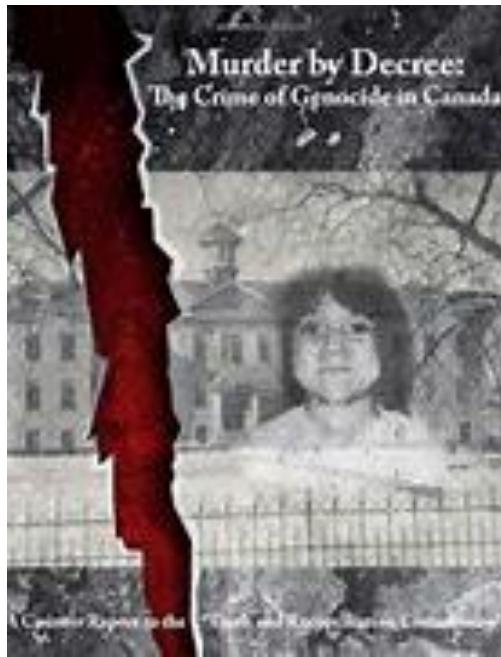


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Featuring Kevin Annett and journalist Sarah Webster,

author of [Erasing the Erasure: On the Trail of Canada's Biggest Cover Up - Salem-News.Com](http://ErasingtheErasure.com)

Kevin and Sarah are sitting and facing each other.

KEVIN ANNELL (to Sarah)

I remember as a young boy sitting in Westworth United Church in Winnipeg on Sunday mornings, clutching my Bible and my white envelope. In the envelope was a single dollar bill, my church offering. Twenty cents of that dollar went into the United Church's Mission and Service Fund, which paid for the murder of other children in the church's death camps for aborigines. That money made me an accomplice to a huge crime. Naturally, nobody ever told me about those murders. I was never told about Linda Daniels, a little Ojibway girl who was beaten to death by United Church staff not far from where I lived. Linda and I were both ten years old. I didn't learn about Linda's murder and many like her for another thirty years, when I discovered it by myself. And doing so cost me everything, as it was meant to. As it had to.

NARRATOR'S VOICE

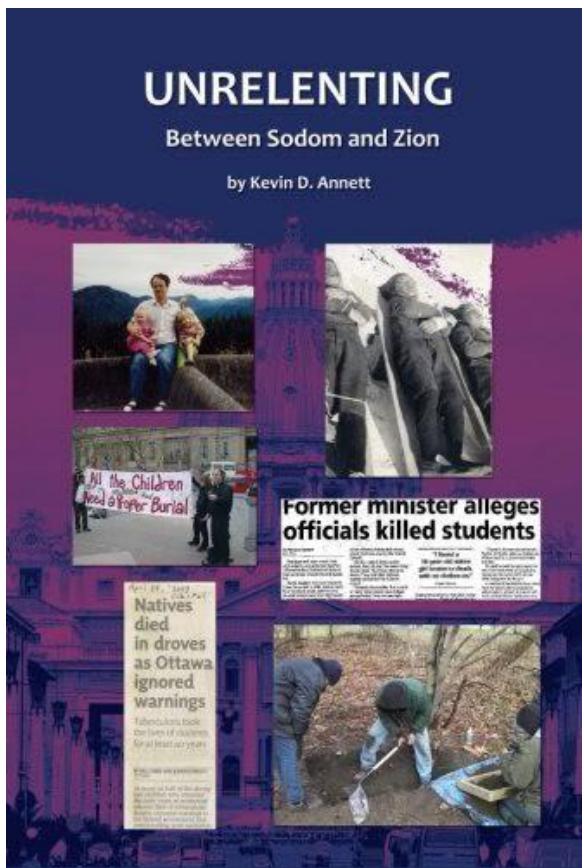
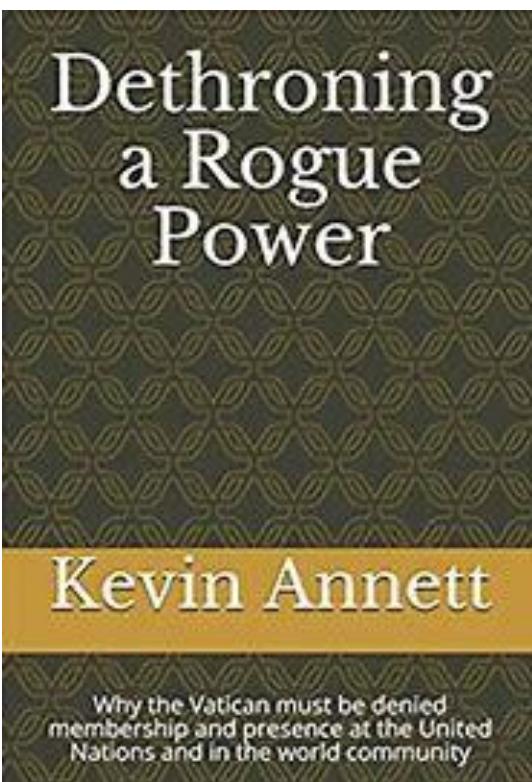
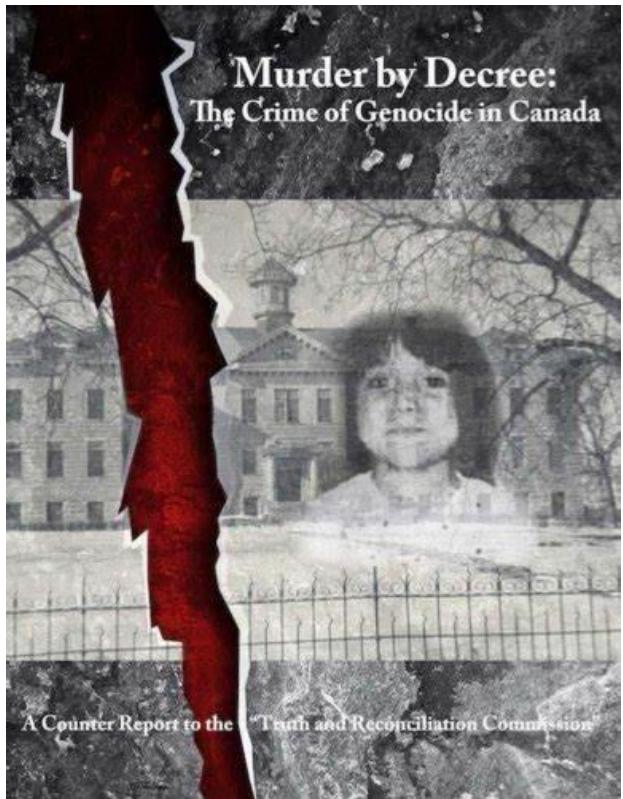
This is a story about how the present global tyranny arose from a centuries-old genocide. That tale really begins with the killing of a child by a power that declares the child dispensable. Everything else follows. The killing is an act of state and of religion: neither random nor accidental, but planned and deliberate. It murders the child and many children with machine efficiency, and then hides their remains and their memory. No-one is ever charged or tried for these murders, since they represent official policy. And so, the crime continues, since the victors of a war never have to answer to anyone. But sometimes, a voice breaks this cycle of blood and lies by helping the dead to speak and the blind to see. It happened in Canada, starting in the autumn of 1992. It happened thanks to one man. His name is Kevin Annett.

KEVIN (*to the camera/Sarah*)

Looking back, I was like a man walking through a pitch-black slaughterhouse who suddenly lights a match and sees piles of corpses. Children's corpses. I guess I could have snuffed out the match and returned to my comfortably numb complicity. But I had to say what I knew was true. So, I dropped that match on the explosive truth all around me. And the rest is history.

NARRATOR'S VOICE

The extermination of the original people of what the killers called The Land of No-One was a religious war launched centuries ago by the Churches of Rome and of England. That war continues today because it has never been a crime in the mind of the conquerors. Because those who are "no-one" are never considered to be human.



NARRATOR'S VOICE (*cont.*)

In Canada for more than a century, more than 65,000 children died in Christian death camps deceptively called Indian residential schools. In these state-approved and church-run killing zones, children died continually from deliberate starvation, torture, germ warfare, beatings, slave labor, gang rape, drug testing, medical experiments, sexual sterilizations, and everything else defined as genocide under international law. Half of the children interred in these camps never returned from there. These killing centers were owned and operated by the Roman Catholic, Anglican, and United Church of Canada. And every level of government, the courts, and the police authorized and sustained this slaughter, and then concealed it, according to a master plan of genocide drawn up in Ottawa in November 1910.

Kevin Annett was a young pastor when he stumbled across the living eyewitnesses to this atrocity. For him, the truth began in the fall of 1992 when he began his ministry at St. Andrew's United Church on Canada's west coast, in the lumber town of Port Alberni. For the next thirty years, and at enormous personal risk and sacrifice, Kevin led an epic historic battle that has awed and inspired the world. Against overwhelming forces and odds, Kevin Annett confronted and proved the crimes of his own people and their Church and State. He did so armed with nothing but the truth, and his own courage and determination. In the process, he brought that truth to light and changed Canada and the world forever. This is his story, and our story. Its conclusion is still to be written.

Fade to Sarah facing Kevin

SARAH

Kevin, it's fashionable these days to talk about Indian residential schools in Canada, and even about the mass graves of children. But for many years you were the only one talking about them, against massive denial and opposition. It seems like a miracle that you survived and overcame such incredible odds. How did you do it?

KEVIN

Very simple: by gathering the proof, making a public stink with it, and never giving up! But that's just the obvious part. There is a mystery to everything that's happened that I can't explain, even after living through it. The fact that I'm still alive is a sign of that mystery. I guess you could call it a hidden hand at work. I was meant to bring out this crime, because it's never stopped; and now, it's engulfing all of us.

SARAH

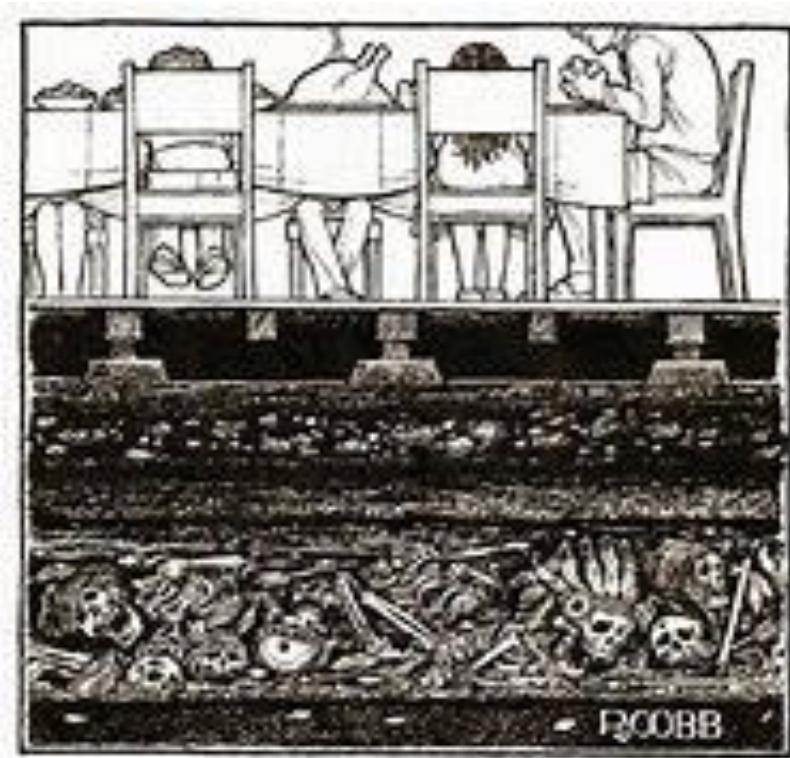
I want to get into that, Kevin, especially about the ongoing genocide. But let's start at the beginning. Was there a single incident that triggered everything for you?

KEVIN

Yes, it was meeting Danny Gus, a week after I started at St. Andrew's. When he was a boy, he'd seen his best friend get beaten to death by Alfred Caldwell, the Principal at the Alberni residential school, just a mile from my church. Then Danny had to bury his friend's body in the hill behind the school. He told me that hundreds of children are buried there. You can see a dozen rows of sinkholes that indicate a mass grave. We had it surveyed in the summer of 1998 when we did our first Tribunal.



Alberni Indian Residential School, c. 1958 (the mass graves of children are to the right of the buildings past the water pipeline)



SARAH

When you heard what Danny Gus said, did you tell the police? Or the RCMP?

KEVIN

The Mounties? They were the ones who buried the children! But yeah, we eventually told them, many times. They always refused to investigate the graves.

SARAH

So, what did you do when you heard Danny's story?

KEVIN

Nothing. I was too blown away to do anything. But I didn't ignore it. I wanted more proof. If my church had killed children, I knew I couldn't stay quiet about it. I couldn't be an accomplice to a crime. That's the law, after all. It was really that simple.

SARAH

Did you tell anyone what Danny told you?

KEVIN

No, not right away. But everybody knew already.

SARAH

What do you mean, they knew?

KEVIN

You don't kill off generations of children without everyone knowing about it. Alfred Caldwell was just one of many killers. The records show that they ran out of burial ground after a few years, so the staff often burned the kids' bodies in the school furnaces. And you can smell burning flesh for miles. The churches and government planned and carried out this slaughter for over a century. The magnitude and aim of this genocide may be denied now, but the truth of it remains. And I discovered some of the records of that buried truth soon after the United Church fired me.

SARAH

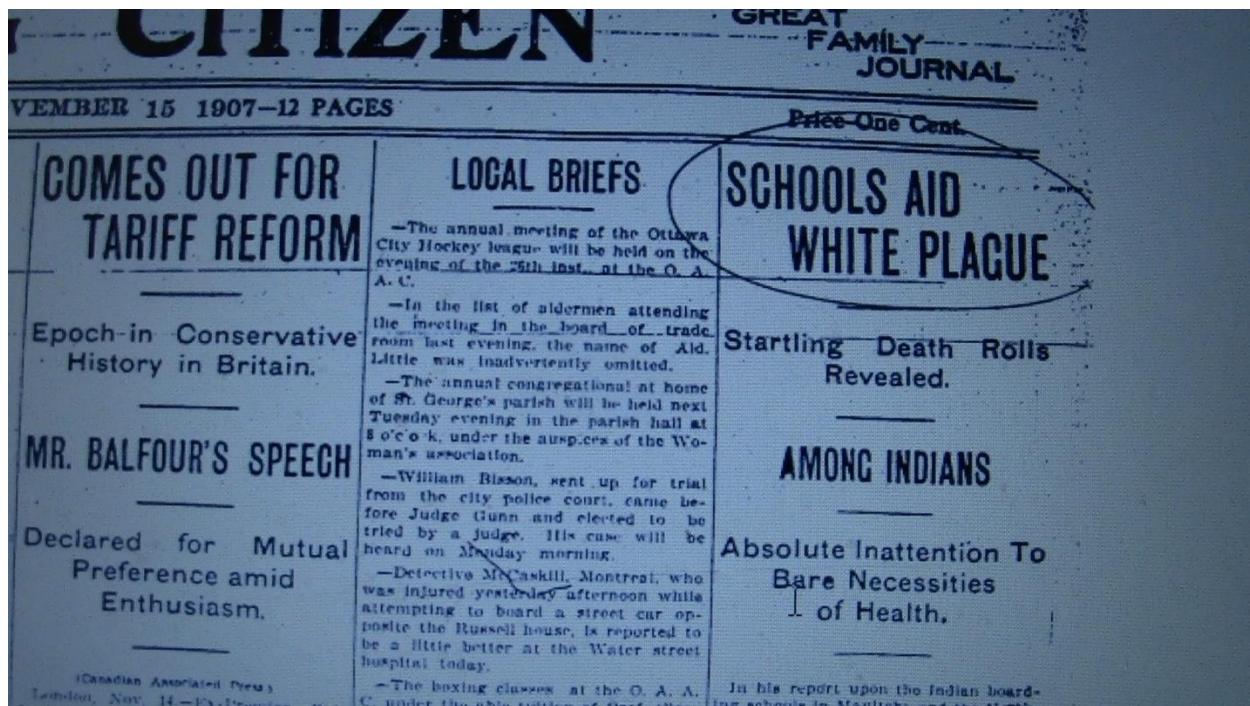
Which records were those?

KEVIN

In the University of BC library, right in plain sight. A good example is this front-page article in the *Ottawa Citizen* from November 15, 1907. Its from a report by Dr. Peter Bryce, who toured all the western residential schools. Bryce found that over half the children were dying every year because the staff were deliberately making them sick with TB and smallpox, and then leaving them to die untreated. Canadians have known about this slaughter for over a century, so how can they claim ignorance of it now?

SARAH

It's amazing that this newspaper article and the residential school death records were in the UBC system since 1975, according to the library, but they were ignored until you made them public twenty years later.



First report of massive death rates of up to 69% in Canadian "Indian Residential Schools", *Ottawa Citizen*, November 15, 1907 (www.murderbydecree.com)

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Indian Affairs death records from Anglican Indian school, Alberta, 1909 (*ibid.*)

KEVIN

Well yeah, it's the usual conspiracy of silence. But the proof of this genocide came to me long before I was fired, and not just from Danny Gus. Early on at St. Andrew's, I opened a food bank and met a lot of natives there and in my visits to their homes. Every native family I met had stories like Danny's, of children dying at the school. I started recording them. The word got out that I was a white guy to be trusted, so more eyewitnesses opened up to me. What they shared was unbelievable, like stories out of Auschwitz. That's why I don't like calling them "residential schools". That's the cover name for what were children's death camps. In fact, the death rate in them was higher than at Auschwitz. So, I felt it was my duty to invite the survivors into my church and open my pulpit to them. And that's when the boot came down.

SARAH

The United Church went after you pretty hard after that, Kevin. They fired you without cause and blocked you from getting any more work. They even helped your wife divorce you and rob you of your children. That must have been horrible to go through.

KEVIN

Of course it was. It was a nightmare, the kind that you never get over. But it was meant to be a nightmare. It's what you do to an inconvenient whistleblower: destroy his livelihood and family. Then usually the targeted person collapses and blows away.

SARAH

But you didn't.



**Kevin Annett, his wife Anne McNamee, and their daughters Elinor and Clare, on
their arrival in Port Alberni, B.C., July 15, 1992**

AT LARGE

Vancouver Sun, July 10, 1995

Minister who tried to bring natives into the fold fired by his church

POR T ALBER NI

Nuu-Chah-Nulth peoples have associated with the United Church since it dispatched fervent missionaries to snag souls in remote settlements a hundred years ago. Yet Rev. Kevin McNamee-Annett, newly arrived in Port Alberni from an activist street ministry in Toronto, observed that almost no natives attended his new church.

"They never set foot in our church. I found that strange."

George Hamilton, a young native, returned from Vancouver's tough East Side streets to raise his kids. He says he felt the lash of Port Alberni's unspoken prejudice while he was growing up.

"As a kid, I don't remember one Indian face working in any of the stores in town. I still don't see any Indian faces working in any of the stores. But Kevin, Kevin didn't just have compassion for Indians. He had compassion for all the poor and weak."

STEPHEN HUME

Hamilton became one of McNamee-Annett's parishioners. McNamee-Annett says he did set out to change things. He counselled abuse victims at the native friendship centre. He ran workshops. He started a food bank. Many of its users were native and he says he became close to them.

"In the poor part of the town and on the reserve some of the housing is the worst I've ever seen — and I've done urban ministries in Toronto, Vancouver and Winnipeg.

"I was involved in taking several slum landlords to arbitration and helping set up tenants' advocacy groups — that didn't go well."

The new reverend began baptizing the poor, marrying the neglected, burying the dispossessed. His ministry took him into the wretched strip that natives call The Ghetto. It still seems invisible to Port Alberni's comfortable middle-class.

"When nobody else spoke out," says Hamilton, "there was Kevin."

McNamee-Annett says he simply sought to ground lost souls in his church, welcoming them. Sunday attendance doubled. He told his flock to "learn to love them, up close. For love of the stranger is the only measure by which you and I will be judged."

Some of the congregation didn't like it. Loving strangers was okay in theory, it seems, but not in practice.

"To bring the natives into the pews was explosive," McNamee-Annett says. "The traditional congregation was fairly upright."

McNamee-Annett says some families he encouraged to begin attending church services ran into a chilly climate. When he suggested at one board meeting that Abousai elder Nelson Keitlah serve on a church committee the silence was "deafening."

One day a young woman from the poorest part of Port Alberni brought her little son to church. The baby cried, as babies do. This, McNamee-Annett says, did not bother him. But for some members of the congregation, it was a final infuriating straw.

"Two women went to her and told her to get out. They said her baby was a little brat. 'Why did you bring him here, we don't want you.' They later came to me and threatened to leave if she stayed."

It was, he says, a dilemma to test his faith.

"It was 'suffer the little children to come unto me' versus good relations with the congregation."

He chose the young mother. One of his parishioners quit. On Jan. 8, he notified the church of his intention to resign effective June 30. Two weeks later, he says, he was summarily fired at the behest of six parishioners.

"The only reason church officials have given for this sudden, harsh action is that certain unidentified members of St. Andrew's had criticisms of my sermons and ministry."

At one point, the minister wrote a strong letter supporting the Abousai band's objection to the church's sale, for substantial profit, of a property it had been more or less given by the native community for a school.

That, Keitlah believes, was the real source of his lack of support from the church hierarchy.

Church authorities decline to comment on the reasons for the firing. Authorities do confirm that it was not a disciplinary matter and that it had nothing to do with moral misconduct. They claim it was not connected to his ministry to poor natives.

Figure 18a: First media report of the firing without aboriginal people into his St. Andrew's United Church

First media coverage of Kevin Annett's firing by the United Church, July 10, 1995

KEVIN

No, I didn't. There was too much at stake, and I refused to let those killers win again. But the savagery of their actions exposed them. People could see right away that the church was scared and had lots to hide. Why else would they come down on me like that so quickly? Their slam-dunking of me is what first alerted other people and the press to the garbage they were concealing.

SARAH

How so?

KEVIN

I quickly made the headlines after my firing. Remember, the press hadn't been shut down at that point when it came to the so-called "residential schools". Plus, what happened to me quickly made the rounds through the "moccasin telegraph" in the native world. Lots of aboriginal survivors all over the country contacted me and we started making a big public stink.

SARAH

We'll get to that, Kevin, it's very important. But back up for a moment. Even the church admits that they fired you without cause or notice on January 23, 1995, after you opened your pulpit to natives. And from there, the survivors began sharing their stories of killings in that church's local residential school. But your firing also happened right after you wrote a letter to the United Church about stolen native land in its possession.

Claim of murder goes back to '40s

A report that a girl was killed by a residential-school official has sparked an investigation.

KAREN GRAM
Vancouver Sun

RCMP are launching an investigation today into an allegation that a young girl was murdered at a United Church residential school for Indians on Vancouver Island 50 years ago.

Art Anderson, an official with the United Church, said Sunday that police were notified of the allegation as soon as the church learned of it.

Rev. Kevin McNamee-Annett, a for-

mer United Church minister for the Alberni area, reported the allegation to the current minister Thursday. On Friday, both McNamee-Annett and the church lawyer reported it to the police.

"We are uncertain what this means, but we have to treat it seriously," Anderson said. "As of tomorrow, the police will be beginning an investigation."

The investigation was triggered by a statement from a North Vancouver woman who told McNamee-Annett she was nearby when a six-year-old girl was kicked down some stairs and died.

Harriet Nahanee, 60, is the first witness to come forward to support recent allegations about killings at residential schools on the island.



PETER BATTISTONI / Vancouver Sun
DEADLY NIGHTMARES: Harriet Nahanee, 60, says she is haunted by a murder she witnessed at a United Church residential school in Port Alberni 50 years ago.

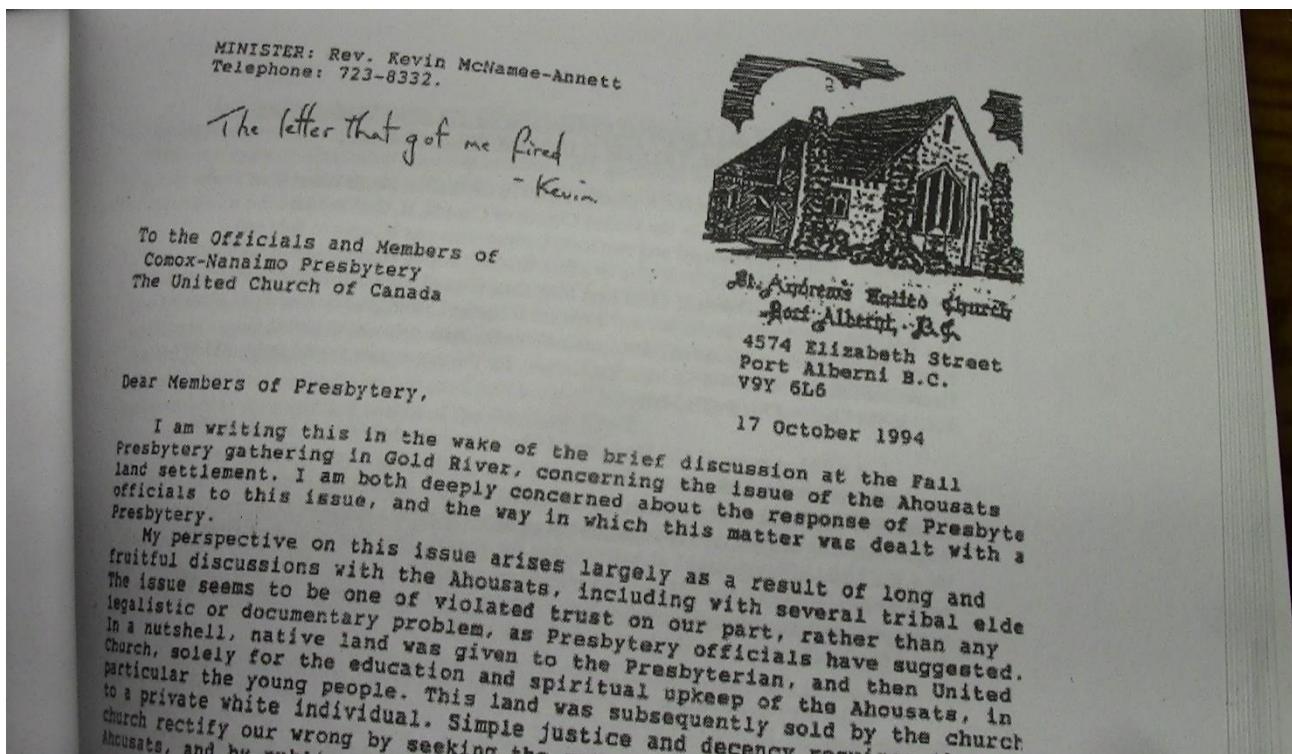
In another case, a boy is said to have bled to death after he was beaten as punishment for breaking a jar at the school in Ahousaht in the 1940s.

Reports of sexual and physical assaults at the Port Alberni area schools

sparked a province-wide investigation of residential schools by an RCMP task force. It has been gathering evidence for about one year.

Please see RCMP, B3

First news report of Alberni residential school murders, December 18, 1995



Kevin Annett's letter to United Church re: its theft of Ahousaht land, October 1994

KEVIN

That's right, it was the proverbial straw on the camel's back, because it involved big money. The letter I wrote was about an old growth cedar forest of the Ahousaht people on Flores Island, called Lot 363. The church stole that land and then sold it to its corporate benefactors. By challenging that, my letter threatened a huge \$2 billion corporate takeover by those same benefactors, the logging companies MacMillan-Bloedel and Weyerhauser, as well as the provincial NDP government, which was a major share holder. On top of that, the first lawsuits by survivors against the church were about to begin, and I was helping the plaintiffs prepare their cases. So, it was no wonder that John Cashore, a top United Church official and government minister, said "*We can't have Kevin upset the applecart over Lot 363. He has to go.*" That came out during my public defrocking a year later, which cost the church over \$300,000!

SARAH

I understand that it was the first and only public defrocking of a minister in United Church history.

KEVIN

That's right. It was a show trial, really, to publicly torpedo me and keep the lid on everything. But it failed.

SARAH

Well, Kevin, you sure made a lot of powerful enemies pretty quickly: the church, the government, big money, and the RCMP, who were going after you by then, too.

The Vancouver Sun

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1996

15 Indian men seek millions

Rapes, beatings 30 years ago at Island residential school are the basis of a lawsuit against Ottawa, United Church.

MARK HUME
Vancouver Sun

administrators.

The case, filed in Vancouver on Tuesday, claims unspecified damages for a series of brutal physical and sexual assaults that took place at the Port Alberni Indian Residential School during the 1960s.

Vancouver lawyer Peter Grant said that he could not put a specific dollar figure to the claim, but believed it would be "in the millions."

said.

"We have 15 individuals here whose lives have been destroyed."

By way of comparison, Grant said that his clients would be seeking "a lot more" than the \$50 million former prime minister Brian Mulroney is seeking in a libel suit against the federal government.

CANADA

The United Church confronts an activist



On Feb. 1, 1996, Kevin Annett, a former United Church minister, filed a class action lawsuit against the church over its treatment of First Nations people at residential schools. The suit, which sought millions of dollars in damages, was the first of its kind in Canada. Annett claimed that he and other survivors of residential schools had suffered physical and sexual abuse at the hands of church officials and administrators. The case was settled in 2002 for \$1.5 billion.



RCMP media spokesperson during the Ts'Peten siege, Sgt Peter Montague.

First lawsuit of survivors against United Church (top), Media report of Kevin's public defrocking (left), Sgt. Peter Montague, coordinator of RCMP smears and black ops campaign against Kevin Annett commencing in July 1995 (right)

KEVIN

I didn't set out to. I was just doing what was right. But I was walking around with a blindfold on. I couldn't imagine the depth of the atrocity the church was hiding, or how many children had died at its hands. Once the church saw I was on to that, they went completely ballistic and spared no expense to silence me.

SARAH

That seems clear in hindsight, especially when you consider how they immediately went to your wife and paid her to spy on and divorce you.

KEVIN

Well, the fact that they would stoop so low by doing that revealed how panicked and desperate they were to conceal their institutionalised genocide.

SARAH

Yes, you were the first person to say that Indian residential schools were genocidal, long before the word became acceptable. And now even the pope is using the word.

KEVIN

And that shows you how meaningless the term becomes in the mouths of the churches that killed the children. There is no word that can impart the horror of it.

SARAH

You say "churches". So, there were others that ran the residential schools?

KEVIN

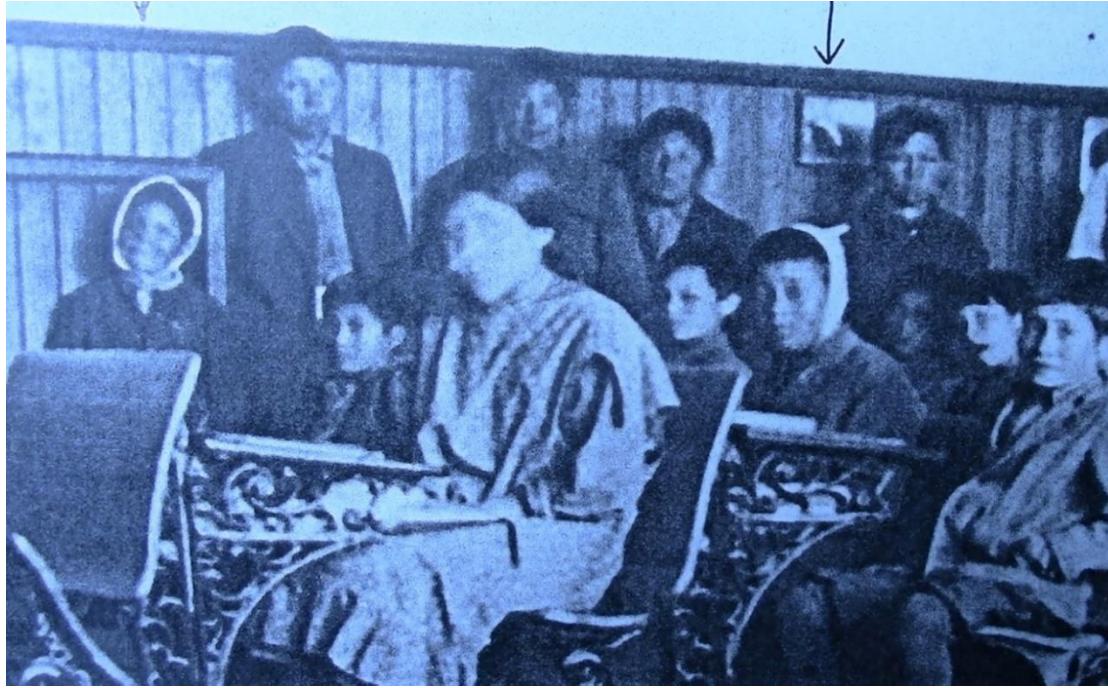
Oh yeah. The Catholics ran the majority of them, it was their idea originally. But also, the United Church and the Anglicans. It was a tag team effort from the start. Well over half of the children were dying in droves in those hellholes, even when they first opened in 1889, and that continued until they finally closed in 1996. Fifty percent of the children dying year after year isn't because they caught a cold. They were being deliberately starved and exterminated under the cover of schooling. Those places even had a monthly death quota they had to reach, according to former staffers. I've interviewed many hundreds of survivors and white people who saw the crimes firsthand. But the proof is also documented in the records I referred to earlier.

SARAH

Let's look at some more of those documents.

KEVIN

I uncovered these government and church records after I was thrown out of the United Church and began a doctoral program at the University of BC, in the fall of 1995. I found them in the UBC library microfilm. They show that many children were being deliberately killed off right when the "schools" opened in 1889, and it went on unchecked to the end, for 107 years. The chief method of murder was to force healthy children to sleep and work alongside those who were sick and dying of tuberculosis, and then never treat them. It was massive germ warfare. As you saw in that news headline, government doctors like Peter Bryce described the practice as early as 1907. But I also found visual proof in this photo from an Alberta Indian school.



Cree children with open tubercular sores sitting alongside healthy children, Sarcee Anglican Indian school, Alberta, 1912 (both bandaged children died within a month)

KEVIN (cont.)

You'll notice that two of the Cree children have bandages around their heads. Those are covering open, active tubercular sores that are highly infectious. Yet there they are, sitting with healthy native kids instead of being quarantined in a sanitorium. That was the standard practice in those places. Within a month, everyone in that photo was either dead or dying from TB, starting with Bernie and Reggie Starlight, who are the bandaged boys. You're looking at deliberate genocide.

SARAH

My God. And that accounts for the enormous death rate that stayed constant over decades in the same schools, as these other records of yours show.

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No. 120 Sam l-ka-ke-we-asse.	Single.	Died.
No. 121 Maggie Baldhead.	Single.	Died.
No. 124 Jane Fiddler.	Single.	Died.
No. 125 Jim Crow.	Single.	Died.
No. 90 -- Crow.	Single.	Died.
No. 72 Lizzie Severight.	Single.	Died.
No. 76 Maggie Torrango.	Single.	Sent home, is dying of consumption.
No. 69 Joe Cote.	Single.	Sent home, weak lungs.
No. 67 Kate Cote.	Single.	Sent home, weak lungs.
No. 60 Alex Shinguish.	Single.	Blind, is recovering.
No. 30 John Severight.	Single.	Recovering from effects of fever.
No. 48 John Cook.	Single.	Died.

Two thirds of the children are dead or dying at Elkhorn Anglican school in Regina, Spring 1891 (above); 28 years later, mortality remains 50% in the school (below).

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SARAH (cont.)

You also have eyewitnesses who were forced to sleep with TB infected kids as recently as 1972. I've seen some of them in your documentary film *Unrepentant*.

KEVIN

Right, it was an ongoing practice. Another common genocidal method is sterilization. I uncovered the records of United Church doctors James Goodbrand in Duncan, BC and George Darby at the R.W. Large hospital in Bella Bella. They worked there for decades, until the 1970's. Using the Sexual Sterilization Act of 1933, the feds paid them \$300 for every native woman they sterilized. In 1953, Dr. Darby said to Ethel Wilson, one of his victims, "*You should have come to church, Ethel. I only sterilize pagans like you.*" That's an indicator of genocide: you don't let the "pagans" breed.

SARAH

This is all so incredible. Now, I assume you tried showing what you discovered to other people?

KEVIN

Yeah. I tried, alright. Back then I still thought that Canadians would want to know about this mass murder of children and demand that something be done about it. Wrong assumption! I quickly received a hard education in domestic holocaust denial.

SARAH

You mean people ignored you?

KEVIN

They did a lot worse than that. I was thrown out of my UBC doctoral program for trying to write my thesis on all these documented crimes. The United Church heard about it and blocked my funding in my department and smeared me all over the campus. Everyone I knew backed away from me and gave me the "leper treatment." Even my friends started treating me like I was crazy, which is what the church mud slingers were saying about me.

SARAH

The United Church was still going after you, then, two years after you were fired?

KEVIN

They sure were, because don't forget the lawsuits against them and the other churches had started by then, brought by the death camp survivors who I was working with. The church knew I was sitting on dynamite that could sink them in court. So not coincidentally, they started their official defrocking of me at the same time that they torpedoed me at UBC. They needed me discredited and out of the way.

SARAH

One wonders why they just didn't hire someone to do that and silence you for good.

KEVIN

They would have if I had been an Indian. That happens all the time. But my death would have brought more attention on what they wanted re-buried and forgotten.

KEVIN (*Cont.*)

And don't forget, they did everything short of killing me. They imposed a kind of living death on me by destroying everything in my life, starting with my family.

SARAH

You haven't spoken much about them. Were you divorced by then?

KEVIN

Yeah, that happened later in 1995, after I was fired. All their assaults hit me at once. The United Church had gone to my wife Anne and told her I would never work again in Canada, so if she divorced me, they would arrange for her to get our children. And she agreed. They even paid her Vancouver lawyer, Ron Huinink, at least \$48,000.

SARAH

But how could the church arrange all that? Do they own the family court system?

KEVIN

Welcome to Canada! It was the Old Boys' network. The church lawyers found a cooperative Family Court judge, a loyal church member. But they also started a big smear campaign against me in the local media right when we were in Family Court. The day before the decision was to be made about who got the children, a *Vancouver Sun* article appeared that quoted United Church officials who claimed without proof that I was mentally unstable and needed "psychiatric evaluation." So naturally, Anne got our children: Clare and Elinor, who were still only just four and seven.

SARAH

How did your children take it, if you don't mind me asking?

KEVIN

Horribly. They were still very little. Both the girls went hysterical when I was ordered out of our home by the court order, which only allowed me to see them twice a week for brief "visits". So once again, it was the children who suffered the most. But my daughters' suffering never seemed to bother Anne or her church funders. Or anybody else, for that matter.

SARAH

I'm so sorry, Kevin. It must have been devastating. So after that big attack, how did you continue?

KEVIN

Just barely. Losing my children was the worst assault, worse even than the physical beatings. I began to feel some of the agony of those aboriginal parents. But from out of that I learned that grief is like a huge wind that wipes away all the small things in our life, leaving only what matters, what we are meant to be doing. That's what happened to me. Rather than being knocked down by that wind of suffering, I began to draw great strength and clarity from it. I saw my real purpose for the first time.

SARAH

And that was what?

KEVIN

At first, to bring out the truth of the residential school genocide. But my work escalated after that into something much bigger when our campaign spread outside Canada. And over the years, it all changed me. It made me into someone else, into a new man altogether, who was prepared to fight an even bigger battle.

SARAH

Maybe that's why you never gave up. You were meant to keep fighting.

KEVIN

That's true. But I also didn't have many options. And I'm also a stubborn bastard.

SARAH

Well, that's pretty obvious. So, Kevin, to recap, in less than two years, the United Church wrongfully fired you, stripped you of your livelihood and impoverished you, blacklisted you, destroyed your family, stole your children, and trashed your attempts to professionally retrain and find work. Did I miss anything?

KEVIN

And they did all that legally, while the world looked on. But one of the silver linings was that all that garbage made it easier for me and other people to accept that the church was capable of even bigger atrocities. And so ironically, all they inflicted on me led to an outcome the church never expected or wanted. They were just digging their own grave. And not just lawsuits and bad publicity, but their eventual collapse.

SARAH

Which I would say we're witnessing. Even the bloody Pope is admitting to genocide these days.

KEVIN

That's the point, really, Sarah. I've sparked and have been at the center of a huge, epic drama that's still playing itself out.

SARAH

Tell us more.

KEVIN

It isn't just the churches, but the whole murderous system that spawned them that is collapsing. Just look around. This big corporate machine that wiped out so many strangers is now turning on us. I believe it's more than just the COVID nonsense or the proverbial crows coming home to roost. There's a judgement on the mass murderers of children, and that means the judgement is on all of us, since we helped it happen. Something that vile and murderous doesn't suddenly stop. Their big lie carries on. The churches and government legally absolved themselves of their massacres. They even dug up and destroyed their own crime scenes at the mass graves of the children, while the world stood by and applauded. But despite all that, a higher justice is undoing them. People who get away with a crime that huge are eventually driven crazy by what they've done and end up destroying themselves. Just look around at the present COVID insanity and its global police state.



Mohawk elders and Kevin Annett excavating bones of children (below) at Anglican ("Mush Hole") Indian residential school in Brantford, Ontario, October 2011



SARAH

It seems like when you forced open the story and those children's graves, something unexpected was released that the churches didn't foresee, like from a Pandora's Box.

KEVIN

That's right. What we uncovered was not only the bones of children but the truth of who and what we are. And that's staring us in the face now.

SARAH

What is?

KEVIN

It's a simple question that nobody will look at: *Who and what are we as a people to have done what we did, and what we still do?* Ultimately, this is not just about aboriginal people; they're the latest victims of this monster that possesses us and is destroying our world. It's about something that incubated in Europe, that killed or corrupted our ancestors, and went on to engulf the world. The thing that is ultimately responsible for all this evil that people only now are awakening to.

SARAH

Amazing. I can see how this has become a lot more than a matter of apologies and compensation to some Indians. If you don't mind me saying, Kevin, you sound a lot like a prophet.

KEVIN

Well, don't forget that prophets are usually killed because they bear a message of impending judgement that nobody wants to hear.

SARAH

Is that what you're doing?

KEVIN

Look, whether people hear or understand what they've done to children and to themselves isn't the issue. The judgement is unfolding, regardless of what we do or don't do. Call it the Law of Return, or blowback and payback. What we did to others is being done to us now.

SARAH

A chilling outlook. But I think I see what you're saying. So, where is the hope?

KEVIN

There doesn't have to be any. Maybe we aren't meant to survive all this. We haven't earned our survival.

SARAH

But your actions belie what you're saying, Kevin. You've fought for decades as if you do have hope. You've acted as if we can come out of this better, once we face the truth and make amends.

KEVIN

But we can't make amends. There is no "fixing" what we've done, it's too huge and horrible. That's the fallacy of "apologies" and "compensation", even if they were offered in good faith, which they weren't. They were a cheap lawyer's trick to heal not our victims, but our own guilt and legal liability. And to smother the real history.

SARAH

Alright. You seem to be saying that none of the token gestures we've made towards those we have wronged have helped. I know that's true from the residential school survivors I've interviewed. They all say that. Things are even worse for them now. We have all hit a kind of ceiling.

KEVIN

That's right. And it's time to blow that ceiling right off and see the bigger panorama. But to have that view, we need to know and understand the full story of what happened at our hands, and why.

SARAH

That certainly seems to have been your mission, Kevin. But more fundamentally, what you have endured and achieved against impossible odds is a priceless practical lesson in how we can overcome huge and powerful enemies.

KEVIN

You're right.

SARAH

Okay, Kevin, then please continue with your timeline. You were expelled from the United Church and from your doctoral studies at UBC during 1997. You were divorced, destitute and alone but bearing a loaded gun of evidence and knowledge. So how did your movement grow? Describe for us the highlights and victories of your campaign over the next quarter century. Especially the bit about forcing the pope out!

KEVIN

It all took time, incredible will and enormous, constant effort. But I had the advantage of having hard evidence and lots of living eyewitnesses, and a growing public interest. But even with that, it took another ten years to force a partial admission of genocide from the government and the churches, after our first protests began early in 1998. All that led to the official government “apology”, their big coverup, in July 2008.

SARAH

You say “our protests”. Who was there with you, and what did you do?

KEVIN

At first, it was just me and a few of the street Indians and death camp survivors I knew in Vancouver’s slum zone, the downtown east side. That was the birthplace of our movement. I had worked there as a street minister during the 1980’s, and I knew lots of local people. So, I used the media coverage I received to pull together what we called Talking Circles among survivors. From there we quickly decided to do more than talk about the problem. We started picketing the downtown churches.



Kevin Annett leads church protests and occupations, 1998-2014



DEMONSTRATION » VICTIMS OF RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS
3/24/08 *Globe & Mail*

Native protesters disrupt Easter services in Vancouver

BY JEREMY HAINSWORTH VANCOUVER

Two dozen native protesters rallied outside Easter services at Vancouver's Roman Catholic cathedral yesterday demanding to know where the bodies of children who died in residential schools are located.

Friends and Relatives of the Disappeared served the church with an eviction notice in a similar protest on March 16. Now, the group says the church is a squatter because the deadline to vacate was last Wednesday.

Spokesman Kevin Annett said yesterday's protest was designed to draw attention to the

SARAH

The ones that ran the residential schools?

KEVIN

That's right. The Catholics, Anglicans, and United Church. Conveniently, their big downtown cathedrals were all within walking distance of the downtown east side. That made it easy for our mostly poor people to reach whenever we protested.

SARAH

How were those first church protests received?

KEVIN

With shock and outrage by the clergy and the pew crowd. We made up a sign saying "*All the children need a proper burial. Come clean about your crime!*" That infuriated the otherwise "nice" church goers. We were screamed at, shoved, our leaflets torn up, we were even spat on by the "good Christians". But the media loved it, at first. We got tons of support from passersby. That's how the truth began to percolate out.

SARAH

Did the police ever show up?

KEVIN

Oh yeah, regularly, and we talked to them and tried educating them. But they could see for themselves how it was only the church people who were violent and nasty.

SARAH

How ironic.

KEVIN

Not really. Christians have a long history of hatred and violence. Anyway, those protests were just the first phase. The more we made the headlines, the more we forced events. The same year we started the church protests, I was approached by an international human rights group called IHRAAM. They wanted to hold a public tribunal into the Canadian death camps.

SARAH

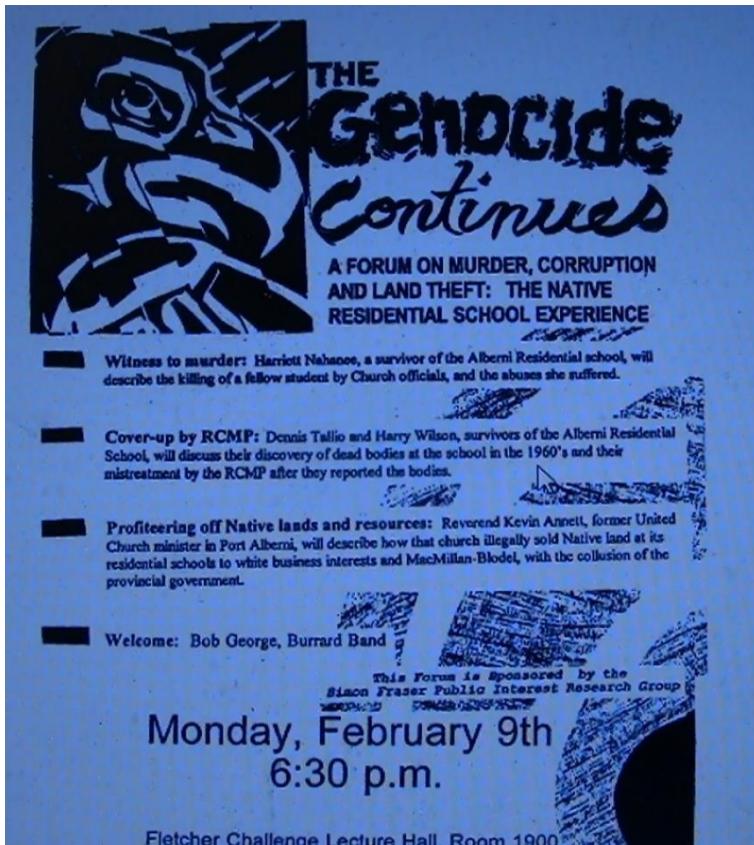
So that's how it started.

KEVIN

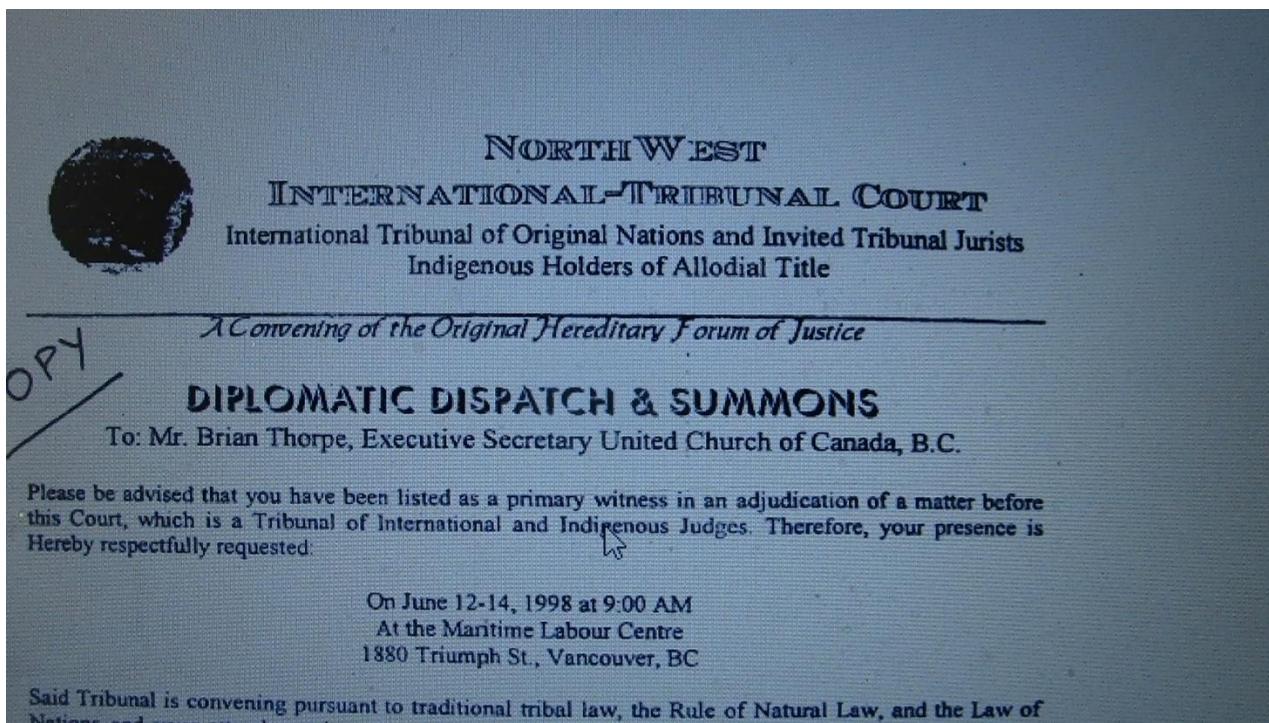
Well yeah, but they were merely responding to what we were doing, which had made the headlines. We had just held a big public meeting at the Simon Fraser University downtown campus. That was on February 9, 1998, the day before I turned forty-two. The turnout that night was amazing, over six hundred people showed up, many of them survivors. That's where we heard for the first time about the sterilizations and medical experiments and the present-day trafficking of children on reservations.

SARAH

So, the IHRAAM Tribunal flowed out of that first public event?



First public forum on genocide in residential schools, Vancouver, February 9, 1998



First public Tribunal into Indian residential schools in Canada, Vancouver, June 1998

KEVIN

Definitely. We convened the Tribunal four months later, on June 12. It was the first public inquiry into the crime. It put us on the map. It launched our work nationally and was an incredible springboard to everything else that followed.

SARAH

How did the government and churches respond to it?

KEVIN

It caught them off guard. The Tribunal and all the church protests had surprised and outflanked them. But then they came back at us with a vengeance. They sent spies and disrupters into the IHRAAM Tribunal. Their goons intimidated survivors not to speak and scared others away. They even bought off two of the aboriginal judges.

SARAH

How did they intimidate people?

KEVIN

Well, I experienced it personally. On the opening day of the Tribunal a big native guy named Dean Wilson backed me into a corner and grabbed my neck. He said I was to "*cut this shit out*" or "*Eddie John*" would have me killed.

SARAH

Oh my God! Who is Eddie John?

KEVIN

He's one of the big government Indian chiefs up north, a major drug dealer and child trafficker, as we later learned. He's signed away most of his own peoples' lands and resources to Chinese and American multinationals for the usual kickbacks. He's even had people who oppose him killed, including in his own Carrier-Sekani Tribal Council.

SARAH

But why would a native person want to silence native residential school survivors?

KEVIN

Why not? For the money, and because his bosses in Ottawa told him to. Also, when Ed John was a kid in the Lejac Catholic death camp, he was a stooge and an enforcer. He'd rat out other kids who spoke their language and get rewarded for it. Those types are the ones the government protects and elevates. Once a sellout, always a sellout.

SARAH

But Ed John's death threat and the other attacks didn't stop you.

KEVIN

No. But they eventually sabotaged the Tribunal. Also, by then the media had been reined in. Only one newspaper reported our Tribunal, despite how historic it was.

SARAH

So, what was the outcome?

Probe of Canadian residential schools to be reported at UN

Globe + Mail, June 20, 1998

BY ROBERT MATAS
British Columbia Bureau

VANCOUVER — An international human-rights group investigating allegations of racism at Canada's residential schools for native children expects to deliver its report next month to United Nations Human Rights Commissioner Mary Robinson.

Representatives from the International Human Rights Association of American Minorities were in Vancouver earlier this month to hear from several natives who had been placed in residential schools. The association

is formally affiliated with the United Nations.

Charlene Strong Eagle, a member of the tribunal hearing the allegations, criticized the federal government and the United, Anglican and Roman Catholic churches yesterday for not appearing at the tribunal to respond.

Those who spoke during a three-day forum recounted their experiences at the schools and some stated they had witnessed what they described as murder, rape, sexual molestation, routine beatings and electric shock to five-year-old children who misbehaved.

They also said that young native women were involuntarily sterilized, that abortions were induced in pregnant students and that native children were kidnapped and placed forcibly in the residential schools.

Accounts of the offences were given by 27 former students at eight residential schools in B.C., according to a list distributed yesterday by Kevin Annett, a former United Church minister who has done extensive research on the alleged abuses.

A report accompanied by 19 hours of videotaped testimony from former students will be presented to Ms. Robinson on July 31 in London, England.

Mr. Annett said in an interview. The human-rights group will ask Ms. Robinson to have the report presented to a UN Human Rights Commission meeting in New York in August, he added.

The human-rights group is also planning to ask the World Council of Churches this summer to start an inquiry into the role of the Anglican and United churches in Canada's residential schools for natives, Mr. Annett said.

"We'd like to see the churches open up their archives to see what information they have about these allegations," he said.

The UN-affiliated group became involved in the issue of residential schools in Canada in response to complaints from former students who felt they have been unable to get justice under Canadian law. The federal government, with the support of the country's leading churches, set up more than 80 residential schools for native children over the past century in almost every province in Canada. Officials estimate that up to 100,000 native children passed through the system before it was closed down in the mid-1980s.

The only Canadian media coverage of the Tribunal, Globe and Mail, June 20, 1998



Survivors and eyewitnesses to murders and burials at Indian residential schools:

(left to right) William Combes, George Brown, Ricky Lavallee



Kevin Annett giving the opening testimony at the June 1998 Tribunal, Vancouver

KEVIN

Thirty-two eyewitnesses shared horrendous accounts of being tortured and sterilized by church doctors, of seeing Pfizer drug experiments and killings at the schools, and of burying children. I provided my research documents that confirmed these stories. After three days, the Tribunal unanimously declared that genocide as defined under international law occurred in Canadian Indian residential schools, and that the government and churches were guilty. We issued a global press release to that effect and sent our findings to Mary Robinson, Chair of the UN Human Rights Commission.

SARAH

And then?

KEVIN

Then nothing. We never heard a thing. Robinson never replied to us, apparently because of pressure from the Canadian government. Then the counterattack started. Our judges and eyewitnesses dropped away or disappeared and IHRAAM inexplicably broke off ties with us. We had break-ins, theft of our laptops, and I started getting followed around by the same two guys, who assaulted me on a few occasions. And for the first time, the big smear campaign began against me and the campaign. After all that work, I found myself alone again. We had brought out more of the truth, but it was quickly buried and forgotten. In some ways, we were worse off than before.

SARAH

So, what did you do?

KEVIN

It was a real crossroads moment for me. I had just received an invitation from Cambridge University to complete my Ph.D. over there. I was still only forty-two. But my daughters were just six and nine years old, and I couldn't imagine leaving them for a few years. Also, lots of aboriginal survivors were looking to me to keep the fight going. I couldn't abandon them and let the killers win again. So, I stayed put.

SARAH

You put everyone else before yourself.

KEVIN

Yes, but it was just common sense and the right thing to do. And don't forget, despite the destruction and erasing of our Tribunal, we had created a huge shit storm that wasn't dying down. We had raised the awareness and discourse to a whole new level.

SARAH

I vaguely remember that around then the government began to make noises for the first time about compensating the residential school survivors.

KEVIN

That's right, those were the first payoffs. They started in direct response to our Tribunal, barely three months after it was shut down. The feds called it the "Aboriginal Healing Fund", like money heals everything, right? We called it the "Aboriginal Hush Fund". It was a big bribe and gag order, really.

SARAH

How so?

KEVIN

To get any financial compensation, the survivors could never speak about what had happened to them, and they had to sign off from ever suing the churches! It was not only an inhuman thing to ask of torture victims, whose only relief is their capacity to tell the truth. It was also illegal because it denied them their right to due process. It was blood money, pure and simple. But the government Indian chiefs urged everyone to take the money: the same puppet leaders who were denying that children had been killed or that genocide had gone on and was continuing.

SARAH

How discouraging that must have been, for all of you.

KEVIN

Not really. It was actually a sign of their weakness and desperation, that they would break the law so readily. It encouraged a few of us to ramp up the pressure even more. So as the new century dawned, we formed a permanent Truth Commission of our own that continued the investigations. And I published my first book that contained the Tribunal evidence and all my other research on the genocide.

SARAH

You mean your "*Hidden from History: The Canadian Holocaust*"?

Hidden from History: The Canadian Holocaust

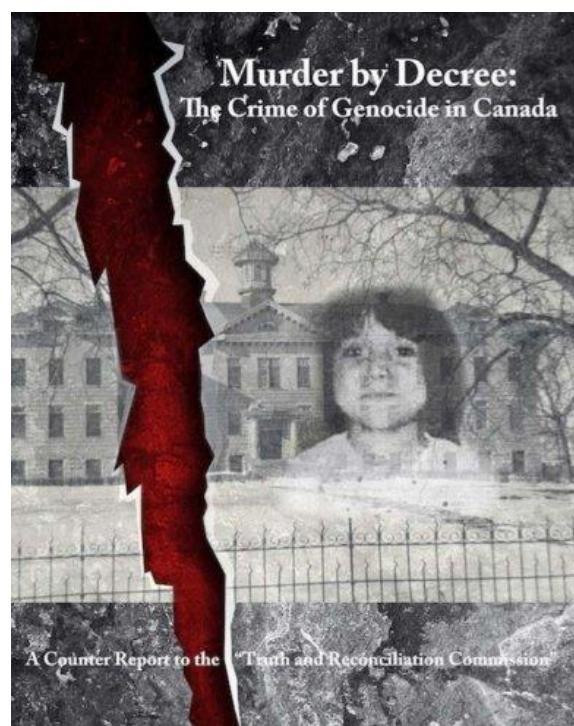
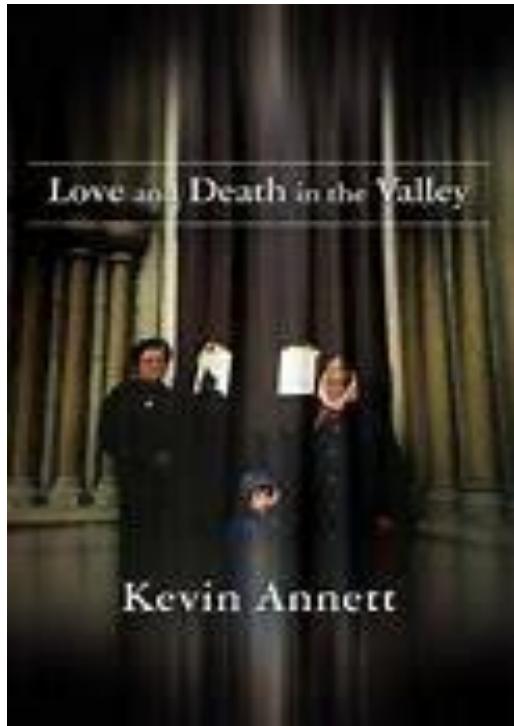
*The Untold Story of the Genocide of
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Early works by Kevin Annett on the Canadian genocide, culminating in the definitive Murder by Decree: The Crime of Genocide in Canada (2016)

KEVIN

That's right. I went on a big speaking tour with it across Canada during 2000, and organized groups to start church protests and conferences, like we had done in Vancouver. Once again, we had the criminals outflanked. They thought they had us hogtied with their payoffs and shutdown. One of the government puppet chiefs had even said to her colleagues late in 1999, "*We destroyed Kevin Annett!*"

SARAH

You proved her wrong, alright.

KEVIN

Well, yeah. They made the classic mistake in war of underestimating a smaller opponent. That's been a great help to us over the years: our enemies think they're God. That made them make stupid blunders and gave us some great openings.

SARAH

So now we're at the year 2000.

KEVIN

Right. We just kept at it, especially at gathering more evidence. I interviewed over three hundred more survivors during those years. And I kept uncovering even more damning documents about planned killings and medical experiments, including things provided to me by church and government insiders. You'll see how incontrovertible all our evidence is if you study www.murderbydecree.com .

SARAH

That was the later version of your first book, correct?

KEVIN

Right. It was published in 2016 as a Counter Report to the official Church and State coverup they misnamed the "Truth and Reconciliation Commission". But that was down the road fifteen more years. The point is that any moves by the government happened in direct response to what we were achieving on the ground. Just a few of us were causing it, some two dozen activists across the country.

SARAH

And those few of you were the ones who forced the official apology, the compensation programs, and the world's awareness of genocide in Canada. You're even responsible for the Pope's recent admission that genocide happened in the largely Catholic-run Indian residential schools.

KEVIN

That's right. If I hadn't stirred things up in the beginning and carried on the fight, none of that would ever have happened. For a long time, we were the only ones talking about genocide and murdered and buried native children.

SARAH

It all has an epic quality to it, Kevin, almost other worldly. Maybe that's why people find it hard to believe, including how you were the trigger for everything.

KEVIN

We all tend to see others the way we are. Most people are raised as slaves who have no sense of their own power. That's why they can't understand someone like me.

SARAH

So, it that a clue, Kevin? I mean, about how you achieved everything. You had to awaken to your inner power because you had nothing left?

KEVIN

Well, yeah, in that sense. Because there's a fundamental difference between doing something from a good intention and because your life depends on it. That motive of mere good intention is something you can walk away from whenever you like, because you still have options in your life. But when you can't withdraw and you have to act or you and others will die, then you learn to think and live like a soldier in combat. My life was on the line every day, so I had to stay devoted and focused, never back down, and make every moment count. That kind of focus and determined persistence moves mountains over time.

SARAH

As you've demonstrated so well, Kevin. It seems to have carried you through all those incredibly hard years and all your personal losses. Okay, so, let's take a break.

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Staged photo of residential school children found frozen to death in their underwear after fleeing the Lejac Catholic Indian school in January 1937

SARAH

And welcome back. So, Kevin, we were discussing your campaign. I think we were sometime around 2001, weren't we?

KEVIN

Right. Over the next few years, I organized a national movement called "The Friends and Relatives of the Disappeared." We ramped up the pressure on the guilty churches with protests and sit-ins, which forced the Canadian media to start reporting us again.

SARAH

Okay, so that was already some years after you were fired. How did you survive during that time, being under a permanent blacklisting?

KEVIN

It was really difficult. I didn't eat regularly, and I lived out of my car. I was also targeted, followed, and physically attacked by the same goons. But as word of our campaign spread, more help came, including from indigenous elders, who started publicly endorsing our actions. Those would be the traditional native leaders, not the puppet government "chiefs", who were always hostile to us.

SARAH

Naturally, since they were paid to be. But since you mentioned the traditional elders, tell us about Kiapilano and his involvement with your campaign in Vancouver. Is it true he appointed you as his legal representative to seize all those churches?

SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

BETWEEN:

Royal Hereditary Chief Kiapilano™ described and known as ©CHIEF CAPILANO of the Squamish™ Nation,
lands and natural resources

PLAINTIFFS

AND:

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA AND THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF CANADA et al

DEFENDANTS

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

1.0 TEMPORARY FIDUCIARY POWER OF ATTORNEY: This Notice of Appointment is issued to Kevin Annett aka Eagle Strong Voice to be the Named temporary fiduciary Power of Attorney over the attached Eviction Notice to the Named churches;

4.0 UNCONDITIONAL NOTICE OF EVICTION: The Anglican, Catholic and United Churches were given a time limitation to respond to the registered Notice issued to the UN and named individuals who were served personally by Kevin Annett Eagle Strong Voice. To this day, I have received nothing from these representatives of these said churches or government officials. Representatives of these churches therefore are given 3 days in which to remove all their personal assets before Kevin Annett and his assistants enforce this Notice of Eviction to take over all the Named churches and buildings located on my Squamish™ Nation lands and open the doors to the poor, hungry and homeless people on Squamish™ Nation lands regardless of race, creed or color;

5.0 RIGHT OF ENTRY: As the Landlord to the Squamish™ Nation lands and natural resources, I appoint Kevin Annett Eagle Strong Voice to act with a Right of Entry to claim the said buildings of all the Anglican, Catholic and United churches located on Squamish™ Nation Territory. Kevin's position as the temporary fiduciary Power of Attorney is to assert this undertaking of a Right of Entry as an equitable remedy to the silence of the Named representatives of these churches. I concur with an Admiralty/Maritime jurisdiction legal ease claim that their silence is a tacit consent to all the terms and conditions contained herein. Kevin is given full authority to access the burial sites for excavation, conduct of forensic research as to the cause of death, provide a proper traditional burial pursuant to Squamish™ nation ancient ways and surrender those who are responsible for this genocide to my people to an on camera Examination for Discovery or public international inquiry conducted by hereditary/traditional Chiefs of Turtle Island.

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Kevin Annett™



KEVIN

That's right. You've done your homework! Kiapilano was the traditional Siem of the Squamish nation, which takes in all of Vancouver. As our campaign heated up, he issued his own eviction notice against all the churches for their rez school crimes and for occupying his peoples' land illegally. He contacted me and suggested we unite. So, I had him on my weekly program at Co-op Radio and we started to rally a lot more survivors all over Vancouver. That's when we turned up the heat even more.

SARAH

What did you do?

KEVIN

Well, besides helping escalate our protests, Kiapilano made me his legal agent and filed papers in the BC Supreme Court that authorized me to seize the Catholic, Anglican, and United churches in Vancouver, according to his standing eviction order as the original title holder. I then had a legal Right of Entry into the churches under the law. That's why when we started occupying churches in a big way during 2008, the cops never arrested any of us, and the churches buckled. They were illegal squatters and we called them out as such and began evicting them. Kiapilano shut down the Catholic church on his north shore reservation without any opposition.

SARAH

Wow. I remember when your church occupations started up. They made the news and seemed to tip the scales. They had no way out, since the law was on your side.

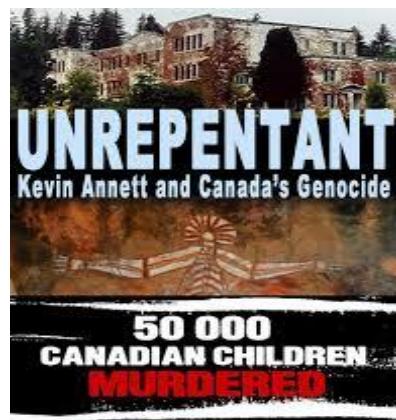
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**William Combes and other survivors occupy Anglican church office demanding
return of remains of murdered children, Vancouver, March 2008**



Kevin and survivors after occupying Metropolitan United Church, Toronto, 2008



KEVIN

That's right. But we also followed the advice in *The Art of War* and attacked where our enemy was most vulnerable: their money and public image. We would go unannounced into church services on Sundays with our banners and leaflets and speak to the congregations about the crimes of their church, asking them to not fund it. The priests didn't dare call the cops against us, because they knew how bad it would look, a riot inside their "holy of holies". We had coverage in all the media. We really had the churches by their Achilles' Heel. They were completely paranoid and afraid of us. And what helped was that in the spring of 2007 we had unleashed another bombshell: our documentary film *Unrepentant*. It helped forced the change.

SARAH

How?

KEVIN

It was the first and only film that's exposed the genocidal nature of those aboriginal death camps, using documents and eyewitnesses, and thread through with my own story. We filmed it in a few months on location and posted it on the internet. Within a month, it had over a quarter million hits, made foreign headlines, and swept like wildfire across the native world. And then a Cree Member of Parliament named Gary Merasty watched *Unrepentant* in the spring of 2008, and he got up in the House of Commons and asked the Harper government when the rez school children would get a proper burial, that was one of our demands. That sparked everything that followed, including their bogus "apology" and "Truth and Reconciliation Commission".

SARAH

That was really excellent timing!

KEVIN

It's always about timing. Everything converged just then. Combined with the church occupations and all the media coverage we were getting again, *Unrepentant* started to make the churches buckle. But two other events had started the process in 2007.

SARAH

Which events?

KEVIN

Well, on April 24, 2007, the *Globe and Mail* ran a front-page article confirming what we had been saying for years: that over half the children “*died in droves*” in the rez schools. And later that same week, we occupied the biggest Catholic cathedral in Vancouver, Holy Rosary. We refused to leave until the church revealed where the children they had killed were buried. The government responded two days later by announcing for the first time that a public inquiry would occur into the missing Indian residential school children.

SARAH

Amazing! Obviously, they couldn't deny the truth any longer, although it took until the summer of 2008 for them to issue their alleged apology. Or at least, they had to pay lip service to the issue to cover themselves.

April 24, 2007
Globe & Mail

Natives died in droves as Ottawa ignored warnings

Tuberculosis took the lives of students for at least 40 years

BY BILL CURRY AND KAREN HOWLETT
OTTAWA

As many as half of the students

But I think the fact that they're acknowledging there's a criminal element means it's really necessary for there to be an International Investigation here, because it's an indication even more so of genocide.

Kevin Annett, a former United Church minister

and Canadian Genocide

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Globe and Mail confirms fifty percent death rate in Indian residential schools,

April 24, 2007



Occupation of Catholic Holy Rosary Cathedral, Vancouver, Sunday April 29, 2007

(Siem Kiapilano, who authorized Kevin as his legal agent to evict the churches, is

in the photo at bottom left, central figure next to Kevin)

KEVIN

Yeah, it was a publicity maneuver to take the heat off themselves. Their so-called “inquiry” never even happened. But we had forced them into a corner and legitimated the whole issue. After that, the feds and churches didn’t try denying that children had died, but they and the media continually reduced or fudged the numbers of dead children and censored out the worst crimes. Soon after that, in a general climate of genocide denial, the feds issued a mild and farcical “apology” to the survivors.

SARAH

I remember that. Prime Minister Harper did it right in Parliament.

KEVIN

That’s right, for dramatic effect, but he said nothing about genocide. And that kicked off their official coverup known as the “Truth and Reconciliation Commission,” which was an enormous snow job that was even set up by the churches and government themselves! So naturally, the TRC mandate prohibited it from issuing subpoenas or laying criminal charges, and it couldn’t name the names of perpetrators. The entire charade was a huge coverup and obstruction of justice that concealed the major crimes. But regardless, many more survivors started coming forward with even more damning evidence, like the location of the mass graves of children.

SARAH

That publicity won you acclaim not only in Canada, but abroad. And soon after that, it sparked your International Tribunal, am I right?

KEVIN

Yes indeed. And that took the campaign to a whole new level.

SARAH

Including the deposing of Pope Benedict.

KEVIN

Yes, eventually. The tide was slowly turning. But we faced continual sabotage, coverup, and coopting by the killers, like their fraudulent “apology.” Under the law, an apology doesn’t mean “*I’m sorry*”, it means to defend an action. It’s classic doublespeak and doublethink, but people don’t realize that. So, by “apologizing,” the perpetrators not only legally indemnified themselves for mass murder but looked good in the process.

SARAH

It’s so disgusting, Kevin. And that’s part of what prompted this interview. I’ve been outraged at how easily you’ve been erased from public memory, not only in Canada but everywhere. I was amazed to see how much you had been quoted in the *Globe and Mail* and other major Canadian papers, but now there’s nothing, like you never existed. Even though you had been vindicated and proven right, your name was never mentioned again in the Canadian press after the summer of 2008. You became what they called a “banned person” in apartheid South Africa and subjected to what the Nazis called “*Nacht und Nebel*”: Night and Fog.

KEVIN

That's right, Sarah, because the official church and government spin was in by then. It goes like this: "*Some bad things happened in the residential schools because of a few 'bad apples', but now we're sorry and we're making it better and everybody's 'reconciled'.*" No talk of genocide or deliberate extermination, which is what I proved, and they even admitted at one point. Instead, they rewrote reality once again.

SARAH

But then you outflanked them, once again.

KEVIN

Right. That door closed, but another one opened over in Europe. After I was censored and banned in Canada, Irish survivors of Catholic church crimes invited me to come to Dublin and help them with their campaign. That was in the summer of 2009. And from out of that effort, we launched the International Tribunal of Crimes of Church and State, the ITCCS. We realized that we were facing the same crime on both sides of the Atlantic, by the same enemy. So, survivors had to unite across borders to take on that common enemy.

SARAH

This was another turning point for you, Kevin. A big one, in fact, because you not only broke into Europe and all that international media coverage, but you also expanded the struggle from just being about genocide in Canada. Am I right?



***Kevin Annett and ITCCS members protesting at Catholic churches in Dublin (left)
and London, England, 2009-2010***



KEVIN

Absolutely. It outflanked the shutdown in Canada in a big way.

SARAH

But surely you must have been exhausted by then. You were fifty-three and had been fighting this battle for fifteen years. Did you think of taking a break then?

KEVIN

How could I stop? We had a new, incredible momentum. The last thing I thought of was stopping our work. Besides, I had become an exile from my country and culture, and all my other options were closed. I had nothing to go back to, my personal life was in ruins, and I had dropped the idea of ever earning a professional livelihood again. I knew my purpose, my course was set, and my health and spirits were in good shape. It was an exciting time, especially when I went to Rome and confronted the Beast head on.

SARAH

Are you referring to the exorcism you conducted outside the Vatican?

KEVIN

You got it. That event was the real turning point, in a way.

SARAH

Tell us about it.

KEVIN

It all happened unexpectedly. Soon after we formed the ITCCS, a human rights group in Italy invited me to come and speak about our campaign. Naturally, I couldn't pass up the chance to protest at the Vatican! But it became much more than a protest.

SARAH

When are we talking?

KEVIN

October 11, 2009. It was a Sunday morning. I went to St. Peter's Square with a few Italian supporters and our banners and placards. But then I remembered I had brought along some soil from a mass grave of children at the Catholic death camp in Mission, BC. So, I decided to do a short memorial service for the fallen children.

SARAH

A smart move, since political protests are banned in St. Peter's.

KEVIN

That's right, the old hidden hand was at work again. When I stood facing the Vatican dome that morning, I realized that I had to call out the thing that possesses it and is responsible for so much killing. So, I pulled out my Bible and began an exorcism rite.

SARAH

So, what is that, exactly? I only know the Hollywood version.

KEVIN

It's designed to call out and expel an entity from the human host or the group host that it possesses, invoking the power and authority of Christ. It's not a ritual but a spiritual engagement with evil.

SARAH

You said "group host", didn't you?

KEVIN

Yes. Evil can possess not just individuals but entire nations, and churches. Especially churches! What is a corporation, anyway, but a massive group possession? My actions and words were directed at the entity possessing the Church of Rome.

SARAH

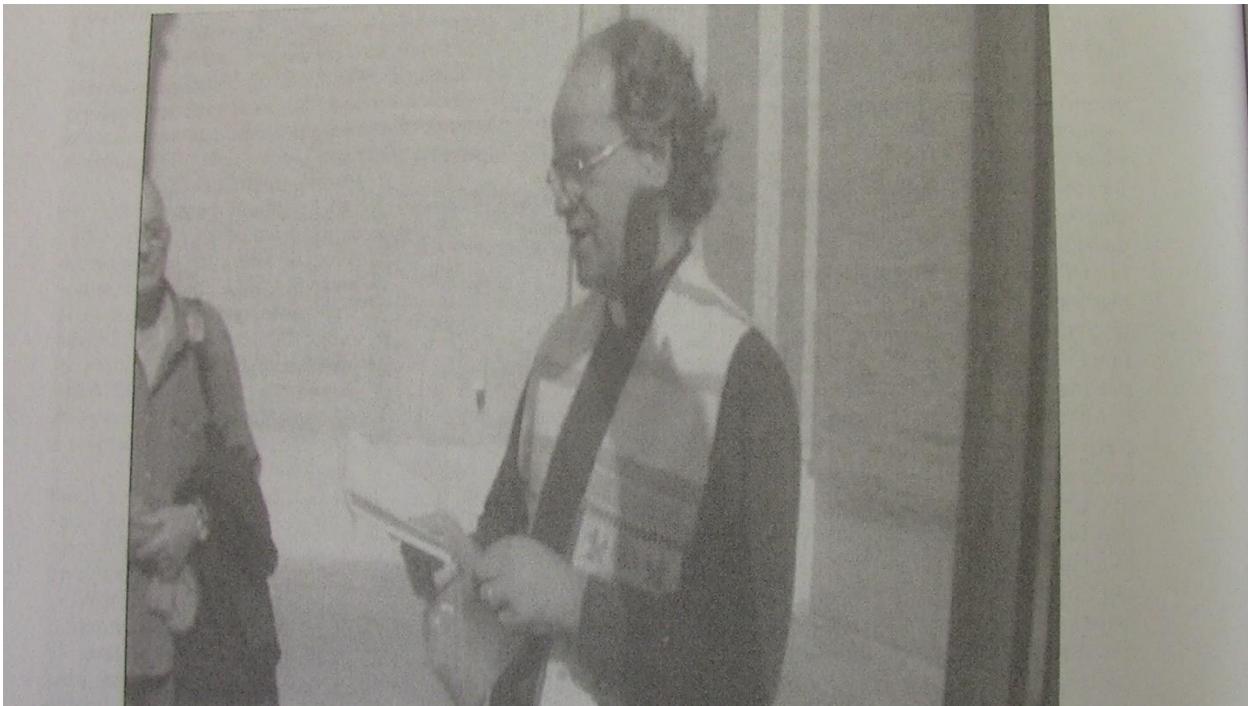
Incredible. And so courageous! Go on.

KEVIN

I stood in the middle of St. Peter's Square in my regalia, and I faced the Vatican and called out the spirit within it. I named its crimes and told it that in the name of Christ and all the children it had murdered it was to reveal itself and thereby lose its power and be banished. There was more to it than that, but it worked.

SARAH

What do you mean it worked?



Kevin Annett performs an exorcism in St. Peter's Square outside the Vatican,

Sunday, October 11, 2009

KEVIN

The next morning, a tornado struck downtown Rome near the Vatican, the first one in over forty years. And just two days later, the European press reported for the first time that Pope Benedict, Joe Ratzinger, had personally ordered the inhouse coverup of the trafficking, rape, and murder of children. So yes, the entity was forced to reveal itself, just like recently when Bergoglio admitted that genocide occurred in their Indian schools. After the Rome exorcism, Ratzinger was eventually forced to resign by the actions of our International Common Law Court of Justice.

SARAH

That's right! I never made that connection before.

KEVIN

And that wasn't all. The most amazing thing happened during the exorcism. I can't explain it, but I seemed to be invisible.

SARAH

What do you mean?

KEVIN

Anyone who holds a protest or an "unauthorized" religious service in St. Peter's Square is immediately arrested. It happened just a month before I was there, to a group of thirteen Indigenous elders who tried doing a service there. But on October 11, 2009, I performed the entire exorcism in my full regalia as Vatican security and Rome police walked right by me, and they never said a word to me. They seemed to not even see me. So, something else was at work that nobody planned.

SARAH

You could say that about your entire campaign, Kevin, including about the constant protection you seem to receive. Despite your being broke, persecuted, and without a lot of support, there's like an invisible shield around you. You're still alive after taking on all those powerful and deadly forces!

KEVIN

Yeah, for sure. The armor is there, within me and around me.

SARAH

So that incredible moment at the Vatican boosted your work, I imagine.

KEVIN

Absolutely. Our campaign made global news and inspired a lot more people after that, especially survivors. It was no accident that our ITCCS took off. Nine groups of church survivors in six other countries affiliated to the ITCCS. They all began to make headlines as they protested and occupied Roman Catholic churches in Canada, Ireland, England, France, Holland, Italy, and America. For the first time, church-run child torture and trafficking were widely reported in the press all over the world.

SARAH

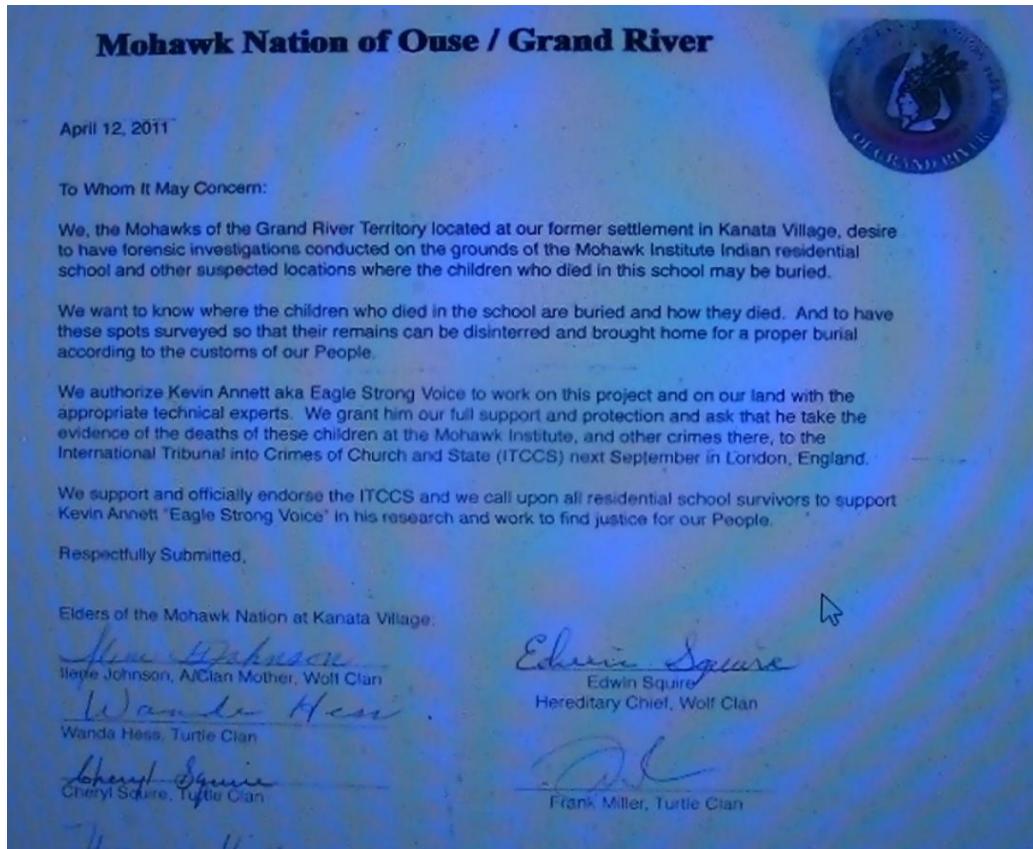
Just like a replay of what you did in Canada.

KEVIN

Very much so. And it kept building all the time, as we expanded the ITCCS across Europe and North America. Back in Canada, people sat up and took notice of us again, especially in the aboriginal world. Early in 2011, I was contacted by nine traditional Mohawk elders in Brantford, Ontario. They invited me in writing to come to their territory and help them look for the remains of children at the oldest residential school in Canada, the Anglican Mohawk school, which is called 'the Mush Hole'.

SARAH

And some of them had witnessed killings there and buried children, hadn't they?



(top) **Invitation from Mohawk elders to Kevin Annett and ITCCS to excavate children's remains at the Mush Hole Anglican school, Brantford, and (bottom) local media coverage of Kevin with Mush Hole survivor Geronimo Henry, October 2011**

KEVIN

Yes, they had. And they were determined to finally speak out. Once they had the forensic proof of the burials, they planned to use it to kick the Anglican Church off their land. That's what caused them to endorse me and the ITCCS.

SARAH

Another new opening! It just never stopped, did it, Kevin?

KEVIN

Not back then it didn't. One victory led to another, and once again our enemies didn't know how to contain it. They certainly didn't expect me to pop up again in Canada, since I had deliberately leaked to some spies in our group that I was permanently relocating to Europe.

SARAH

Hilarious! How the churches must hate you, Kevin!

KEVIN

They hated me even more once the Mohawk school dig began, in October 2011. We turned up bones on the first day our archaeologists started digging. Children's bones.

SARAH

I don't remember reading anything about that.



Bone from a young girl, found on the first day of ITCCS excavation at the Mush Hole, October 11, 2011 (as analyzed by Dr. Don Ortner, Smithsonian Institute)



Mohawk elder Bill Squire commences ITCCS Mush Hole excavation, October 11, 2011

KEVIN

No, you wouldn't have read about it, because our discovery was completely blacked out of the Canadian media, even though the Smithsonian Institute in Washington had confirmed on November 12, 2011, that the bone we unearthed was that of a young girl. It was the first confirmed discovery of children's remains at an Indian residential school, but it was totally censored, and the story suppressed.

SARAH

So criminal! But what else did you discover?

KEVIN

Clothing, little shoes, animal bones that were burned and cut up like the child's bone, and small buttons that were identified by survivors as being off the school uniforms. Those buttons were important because they were found tangled in the roots of trees.

SARAH

Why was that significant?

KEVIN

Because according to eyewitnesses like Geronimo Henry and Alanna Hill, whenever they buried a child's body, they would plant a tree on top of it to hide the remains.

SARAH

My God. I'd call that proof!

KEVIN

Of course it was. But to “official” Christian Canada that did the crime, acceptable proof is whatever doesn’t threaten or indict anyone or lead to lawsuits and jail time. Anything that might cause that is ignored and derided as “conspiracy theory.”

SARAH

I don’t want to sound cynical, but I assume your Mohawk dig was shut down, too.

KEVIN

It sure was, and by the usual in-house sabotage. After the press blackout of our discovery, the state-funded Mohawk “chief” Bill Montour sealed off the burial site and ordered everyone to stop. And the usual smear campaign began on me. All but two of our sponsoring elders dropped away. Soon after that, when I flew to England to search for Mush Hole evidence in the Church of England archives, I was deported from the country without explanation. But the attacks didn’t stop there. Our people started dying: Don Ortner, the Smithsonian forensic pathologist who had identified the child’s bone, died of a sudden heart attack. So did Dee Nicholson, the host of That Channel in Toronto which had been the only TV station to interview me and broadcast our discovery. And also William Combes.

SARAH

Oh, no, not William. The one who saw Queen Elizabeth abduct those ten children? He died then, too?

KEVIN

Yes, the same William, from the Kamloops death camp. He was killed at St. Paul's Catholic hospital in Vancouver by arsenic poisoning, according to his nurse Chloe Kirker. Don, Dee, and William: they were all dangerous witnesses who were largely unknowns, and so, that much easier to kill.

SARAH

And then, to quote the song, you picked yourself up and started all over again, right?

KEVIN

I didn't have to start all over. We had tons of damning evidence from the Mush Hole dig and the testimonies from Mohawk eyewitnesses. That all went into our dossier of evidence at our first Common Law court trial that began six months later in July 2012.

SARAH

The one that knocked out Ratzinger! I was hoping you would get to that.

KEVIN

It's a whole story in itself. None of the existing international courts were willing to indict or put on trial genocidal institutions like governments or churches, just individuals. So, we had to invent a new type of legal system, like they did at the Nuremberg trials. With the help of European jurists, we in the ITCCS launched the International Common Law Court of Justice in the summer of 2012. And we issued our indictment against those who I like to call the "Dirty Thirty".

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMON LAW COURT OF
JUSTICE
CRIMINAL TRIAL DIVISION - BRUSSELS
FEBRUARY 25, 2013

VERDICT AND SENTENCE OF THE CITIZEN JURY

*In the Matter of The People v. the Government of Canada,
the Crown of England, the Vatican, and the Roman
Catholic, Anglican and United Church of Canada, and
Joseph Ratzinger, Elizabeth Windsor, Stephen Harper and
other persons*

We the Jury, consisting of fifty eight sworn men and women, having considered all of the evidence presented to us in this case, do hereby find all of the named defendants guilty as charged on both counts of the indictment, namely, of Crimes against Humanity and of planning and perpetrating a Criminal Conspiracy.

We the Jury therefore sentence all of the named defendants to a prison term of twenty five years without possibility of parole, and to a loss of all of their authority, assets and property.

We swear and acknowledge that this verdict and sentence was decided by we the Jury unanimously and without compromise.

Terry Whyte, former chairman of St. Andrew's United Church, Port Alberni

Sean Atleo, Chairman, Assembly of First Nations

William Montour, Chairman, Six Nations Confederacy, Brantford

Respectfully issued by we, The Jury members
(Jury Chairman: Carl C. Redvers)

February 25, 2013
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**Final verdict and sentence of the first case of the International Common Law Court
of Justice that convicted Pope Benedict, Queen Elizabeth, and others of Genocide
(itccs.org is now archived at www.murderbydecree.com)**



SARAH

The top officials of Church and State. I know, I've read your court papers.

KEVIN

That included Pope Benedict, Queen Elizabeth, Prime Minister Stephen Harper ...

SARAH

And some of your old "friends" from the west coast.

KEVIN

Yeah, we didn't want to make them feel left out. All of them were publicly named and charged on two counts of a criminal conspiracy indictment, namely, committing or aiding and abetting genocide and other Crimes against Humanity, and actively concealing those crimes.

SARAH

And they were all served with subpoenas, summoned, the whole bit?

KEVIN

Oh yeah. We were a bona fide court of record that followed due process and the rule of law. I served the Summons on some of the defendants myself. Now, that was fun.

SARAH

Really? How so?

KEVIN

Well, to give you one example, armed with the Summons, I knocked on the door of one of the more notorious defendants, a United Church clergyman in Qualicum Beach, Phil Spencer. He is implicated in trafficking aboriginal children on Vancouver Island, and in the death of eyewitnesses. Phil saw me coming and completely lost it and started screaming obscenities at me out the window. I guess his guilty conscience was eating at him, since he had been the point man in my illegal firing and the destruction of my family. Finally, Phil threw open his door and I handed him the court Summons, but he ripped it up and actually took a swing at me! Fortunately, I had someone with me, and we caught it all on film. It was so pathetic, really.

SARAH

Wow. These guys are really crazy.

KEVIN

I wish that was the only issue, but crazy or not, they kept revealing their guilt like that and tacitly admitting the crime. None of the thirty defendants ever contested or refuted the public charges made against them or appeared in our court. Under the law, that's known as a *pro confesso* admission of guilt, and normally results in an automatic guilty verdict. That in fact was our jury's unanimous decision, after we presented our case over the next six months.

SARAH

But the real blockbuster came when Pope Benedict resigned just before the verdict.

KEVIN

That's right. Another hilarious tale! You see, we had shared our docket of evidence with governments all over Europe to show them, for one thing, Benedict's personal complicity in the deaths of children. The Spanish government responded. Just five days before Pope Benedict resigned on February 11, 2013, the Spanish "Ambassador" to the Vatican, Eduardo de Buruaga, gave a diplomatic note to the Vatican "Secretary of State", Tarcisio Bertone, that said that if Benedict came to Spain, he could face arrest for complicity in child trafficking. Less than a week later, Benedict-Ratzinger resigned behind the camouflage of a "health issue" cover story. He has never left the Vatican since that day.

SARAH

Why not?

KEVIN

Because he knows he will be arrested under our court's standing arrest warrant against him and the other convicted felons. Every court and cop are required by law to enforce a bona fide court verdict like ours.

SARAH

So, do you mean that the pope, one of the most untouchable people in the world, was forced out of office by a citizen court and into permanent hiding? In effect, you put him under permanent house arrest?

KEVIN

That's exactly what happened. We showed the power that people have when they take the law into their own hands and create their own justice. After Ratzinger's resignation and the conviction of the others, a huge common law movement began sweeping the planet. In effect, we repeated what we had done when we legitimated the issue of genocide and child murder. Only this time, what we popularized was on a bigger and more fundamental scale, involving the law and political power.

SARAH

You are a very humble man, Kevin. I would say far too humble. You keep saying "we" did that, but in truth you have been the cause and the leader of all those movements over the years. Without you, none of this would ever have happened. And everyone knows it, including the bad guys, even if they won't and can't admit it.

KEVIN

Okay, that's true. It's an old habit of mine, to speak collectively, because no man is an island, and we will all need to take responsibility, or these changes won't happen.

SARAH

But that's the whole point. You are the one who took responsibility for it all and shouldered all the risks, while everyone else stood back. You are the one who forced things to change. Even the Indians who bravely occupied those churches and gave their testimonies, surely you know they wouldn't have done any of that unless you had led them. Nobody had occupied churches on that issue before you.

KEVIN

Okay, that's true. But be wary of hero worship because it lets everyone else off the hook. The Christ figure dies for us while we all sit on our asses. It's also stupid and suicidal to put leaders on pedestals. One rifle shot and the leader is gone, and the movement collapses. The cult of leadership makes our enemy's job a lot easier.

SARAH

I know what you're saying, Kevin, but try going deeper than that. Besides being humble you are also a remarkably honest man. So, in all honesty, can't you see that this entire epic is really the story of one man? You?

KEVIN

I won't argue with you on that. But be careful how you frame it.

SARAH

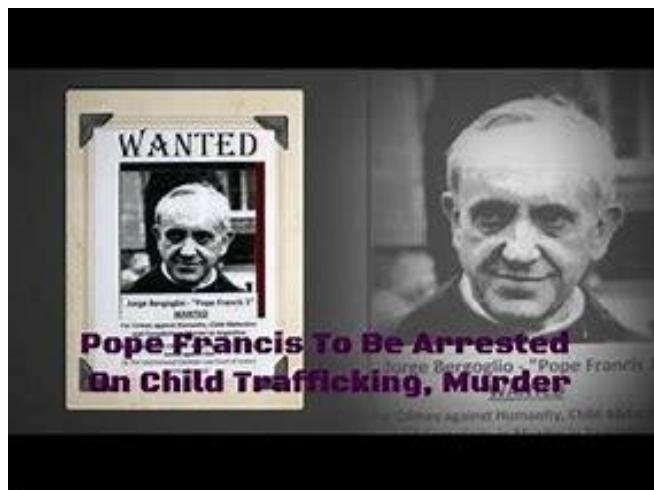
Why?

KEVIN

Because the crowd tends to adore the savior figure one moment and pull out the hammer and nails in the next. Trust me, I've been there.

SARAH

Let's take another break.



SARAH

Okay, we're back. Kevin, we were speaking about the deposing of Pope Benedict early in 2013 and how you and your Common Law court brought that about.

KEVIN

Not by ourselves, but we were the motive force. Plus, the good old hidden hand was doing its usual thing.

SARAH

In our cynical age, I suspect that most people didn't make the connection between your exorcism at the Vatican and the tornado that struck Rome the next morning.

KEVIN

Several tornadoes, actually, including the media storm that broke that same week with the first report of Ratzinger's covering up the killing of children. But you're right, only a few people saw the deeper drama going on.

SARAH

As we've discussed, you were censored and blacklisted in Canada by then, even though you had been vindicated, and the government at least was admitting that children had died in their residential schools because of genocide. Now even Pope Francis has admitted it. But instead of having the cuffs put on him, nothing happens. The harm continues, and nobody is ever held accountable.

KEVIN

That's a misleading word, designed to confuse and deceive. Being in charge means never having to be accountable. "Accountability" suggests that rulers are answerable to the ruled, which is a fallacy: especially when the rulers have blood on their hands.

SARAH

But despite that, you continued the campaign anyway. Why?

KEVIN

Because this isn't about the bad guys. It's about getting the rest of us to see the Group Crime we've been part of for so long and overthrow the whole bloody mess. Only a genuine inner and outer revolution will offer any kind of chance for that to happen. That higher purpose became obvious to me and a few others the longer we struggled, and our campaign spread.

SARAH

Okay, so let's talk about that. Before the break, you were describing your Common Law court's conviction of thirty top officials of Church and State, and your deposing of Pope Benedict. What happened in the wake of that trial?

KEVIN

A shocked pause. Even I found it hard to fully appreciate what we had accomplished. Also, those of us who had stuck with the campaign and who weren't dead were exhausted. And we were facing new attacks.

SARAH

What kind of attacks?

KEVIN

Well, our Court itself had been targeted. Several of our judges resigned after the usual death threats or bribes, and one of our best investigators completely vanished. Funding and volunteers evaporated. Santa Alleanza was hard at work.

SARAH

What's that?

KEVIN

It's the Vatican black ops and assassination bureau, which is ironically called the "Holy Alliance". They do all the covert stuff, including the murder of Pope John Paul No. 1 in 1978. They ran a big media campaign against us after we took out Ratzinger. They pressured the police and governments all over the world to shut down our work. It worked for awhile. Our campaign was nearly obliterated, and most of its work and evidence was wiped off the internet. But despite that, we were able to pull off a second trial during 2014 that indicted the present pope Francis and revealed his murderous connections to the Argentine military and the Ninth Circle sacrificial cult. And because of that we were hit even harder. That would have been by late 2014.

SARAH

You say the Ninth Circle cult. What is that?

KEVIN

Are you sure you want to know? It's old, going back at least to the 16th century, from the records we found and from two participants we've interviewed. It's a Catholic intergenerational child sacrificial cult that all the top Cardinals and the Popes are part of. If they refuse to participate, they quickly end up dead, like John Paul in 1978.

SARAH

What does it mean, the Ninth Circle?

KEVIN

It refers to the lowest level of hell, described in Dante's 13th century poem *The Inferno*. The ninth circle is where Satan lives and where those who betray a sacred trust end up forever, according to Dante, who was a papal insider. Well, what more sacred a trust is there than that of a young child? Or one's own child? Ninth Circle participants must personally kill and eat their firstborn or one equally as loved.

SARAH

My God. How horrible, Kevin! It's beyond belief!

KEVIN

Horrible, yes, but not beyond belief. That kind of thing is inherent to Roman Catholicism, which believes that during its so-called "mass", participants eat the literal body of Christ, and thereby win eternal life by consuming the flesh of the pure and innocent. That's exactly what a Ninth Circle member believes and does.

KEVIN (*cont.*)

Instead of Christ, the first-born son of God, the cult members eat their own first born. Sacrificed and consumed. The parallel is no accident. It's really the same practice. And it happens routinely in basement crypts of Catholic cathedrals all over the world.

SARAH

You said you have eyewitnesses to that.

KEVIN

Yes, Toos Neijenhuis and Anne Marie van Blijenburgh, both from Holland. I met them during 2012 after our Court case was launched. They both had the same story, of being raised in a Ninth Circle Catholic family and taking part in its sacrifices of children from a very young age, after they themselves were ritually raped and tortured. They regularly saw Ratzinger, Bergoglio, and other popes and cardinals take part in the ritual killings, along with British, Dutch and Belgian "royals." Their stories very closely agree with what I've heard from aboriginal survivors, who went through the same cult rituals in the death camps and at Indian hospitals all over Canada.

SARAH

Do you have any other proof?

KEVIN

Sure, there's lots of it. Like references in Vatican archival documents that were leaked to our court, and in Anglican Church records from the Mush Hole in London, Ontario.



***Ninth Circle survivor Toos Neijenhuis points to the mass grave of children whom
she helped to bury outside Brussels, August 2012***

SARAH

You mean the Ninth Circle operates on both sides of the Atlantic?

KEVIN

Yes, it does. We learned that by comparing notes from the European eyewitnesses and the Brantford Mush Hole survivors like Geronimo Henry and Leona Moses, who was an Anglican Church researcher who spoke to me before she too died suddenly. Leona witnessed the same bloody ceremonies in the Mush Hole basement. We also have forensic remains from mass graves outside Brussels, again like what we found at the Mush Hole. Also, we have confirmations from retired church officials, and from serving politicians, reporters, and police in Canada, England, Ireland, Holland, Belgium, and Italy.

SARAH

Can you give us one of their names?

KEVIN

There was a senior Senator in the Italian Parliament named Furio Colombo. He spoke to me in Rome just after we launched our case against Ratzinger in the summer of 2012. He was all in favor of what we were doing until I mentioned the Ninth Circle. Then he blanched and said nervously, *"I will not live out the week if I tell you anything about that group."* And after that, he refused to speak to me again.

SARAH

The worse the crime, the more it's put out there in plain sight.

KEVIN

That's because the killers know that nobody will believe it because they don't want to believe it. The problem is never a lack of evidence but the way we are programmed.

SARAH

And also, the fact that the killers are still in charge.

KEVIN

Of course. One learns that after two minutes of seriously engaging with their system. Unfortunately, people don't last long enough in the struggle to learn that for themselves. They sense the danger and run. That happens continually in our work.

SARAH

I meant to ask about that. Why do so many people you work with abandon you?

KEVIN

The strongest ones don't, and often they're killed for it, especially if they're Indians. The rest tend to run for cover, being either scared off or paid off. Don't forget that the RCMP have admitted that they've run a multi-million-dollar Smear and Fear Campaign against me and our movement since the summer of 1998, when we did our first Tribunal in Vancouver. That's a lot of brainwashing to overcome. But more basically, the bad guys have relied on the fact that ultimately, not many people care about murdered children or dead Indians, and they're too scared to face the crimes in their own backyard.

SARAH

I think they care, but perhaps not enough to risk anything in their lives.

KEVIN

Yeah, right, so in practice that means they don't care. I've learned to deal in the language of actions, not words.

SARAH

It must be sheer agony for you to face that apathy and indifference all the time, knowing what's at stake and how much you've sacrificed for all this, and yet you're still censored and publicly ignored.

KEVIN

Sometimes it gets to me, but less so now than before. I was never into this for the applause, but my mistake was to think that people shared my outrage and commitment. Ultimately, it's a pipedream to expect any kind of real justice from out of the system. If anything, Canada must bury my memory even more nowadays.

SARAH

Why is that?

KEVIN

Well, think about it: if I am officially validated, then their entire system is invalidated. The obvious question is, if Kevin Annett was right all those years, then where were all of you? Why did you attack him year after year, and still ignore and castigate him today? Think of all the academics, government, aboriginal and church leaders, all the reporters and political activists that condemns! The truth is I remain too much of a threat to their controlled narrative, the official story that minimizes, de-criminalizes, and normalizes genocide, which after all is ongoing, especially under the Chinese on the west coast. The official line is still that all these crimes against children were done in the past by other people, and it's all fixed now. My work shoots down that big lie. It forces people to question a system that produces so many corpses.

SARAH

Which leads us to the next phase in this history, namely, how you rallied those who were challenging the genocidal system in Canada into the Republic of Kanata.



KEVIN

Well, what else can a moral being do but renounce allegiance to one's criminal nation?

SARAH

Right. You've said time and again that Kanata was the logical outcome of everything your campaign exposed and achieved. So please talk about that connection, between your genocide campaign and the formation of the Republic of Kanata in Winnipeg on January 15, 2015.

KEVIN

There was a very natural connection between the two since many of the delegates at our founding convention were either aboriginal or had been involved in our rez school campaign. We all knew that we had to get out from under "crown and pulpit" Canada if we were to really undo its legacy of genocide and tyranny. Besides, once Elizabeth Windsor became a convicted felon after our first Common Law court trial in 2013, there was no *de jure* head of state in Canada.

SARAH

You mean in effect that the government had lost its authority to govern.

KEVIN

That's right. What better moment to launch a Republic outside their system?

SARAH

And was it the right moment?

KEVIN

In theory. But in practice not a lot of people have joined us, even though opinion polls show that a majority of Canadians favor a Republic.

SARAH

Why is that do you think? Apathy? Fear?

KEVIN

Self-governance is a new idea for Canadians. They have no experience of it. Besides, to step out of the old regime, they would have to face its crimes of genocide, and their own complicity in them. And few of us will ever do that unless we're forced to.

SARAH

I see that. Instead of changing, they do what they've done and appoint a token Indian as the Governor-General and pat themselves on the back for their imagined liberality.

KEVIN

That's right, like all the stupid "reconciliation" babble about the genocide, as if the right words will heal mass murder. But that kind of vapid thinking comes with the territory. Having only ever been a colonial branch plant of various empires, Canada lacks its own mind and identity. We've never grown up, so why would we produce critical thinkers and revolutionaries? Like Billy Bob Thornton joked with some accuracy, "*Canada is like mashed potatoes without the gravy.*"

SARAH

Not the best place to launch a Republic, or campaign to expose genocide.

KEVIN

I disagree. What better place to do all that than here, where it's most needed?

SARAH

Your stamina and courage is beyond belief, Kevin. Were you always that way?

KEVIN

Pretty much, when it came to what I believed in. Except never was there so much on the line as there is now. Like I've said, we're all on the Indian reservation these days.

SARAH

It's been a remarkable thirty years for you, Kevin. And I'm sure you didn't expect any of it.

KEVIN

Not at first, no. But I became less credulous with every additional black eye.

SARAH

You've said elsewhere that the COVID police state, as you call it, grew naturally out of the genocide we afflicted on others. Did you anticipate any of what is going on?

KEVIN

Not all the details, but the general situation, yes. Today's global Corporatocracy has been in the works for decades. A beast as rapacious as monopoly capitalism eventually devours itself and everyone in it. Frankly, I'm surprised that things didn't erupt sooner, knowing what we are. But it has made me appreciate all the crap I've endured, since it strengthened and prepared me for this next phase of the war.

SARAH

Getting to know you as I have, I'm realizing how everything we've been discussing and that you've gone through is a preamble to something even bigger.

KEVIN

Oh yeah. It's like the words in the song, "*We deserve what we get, and you ain't seen nothin' yet.*" That's why I don't fret about peoples' collective stupor. The big wind that has arrived is sweeping all that away, and most of us with it. The signs are everywhere if you look deeply and clearly enough. That personal clarity is one of the few benefits I've derived from this long war.

SARAH

Looking back, Kevin, is there a way you could sum up this long struggle?

KEVIN

No, I wouldn't want to try, because it would cheapen the experience and reduce it to something neatly understandable, which is the kiss of death. The truth is that great evil, like goodness, has no description. It can only be experienced. That's really what made me open my pulpit in Port Alberni to aboriginal survivors. I had run out of words on Sundays, because trying to speak of what really mattered seemed impossible, and almost wrong. Because the words can never reflect the substance and end up distorting the truth. It's like asking someone to prove that they're in love.

SARAH

Okay, so forget about summing up. Is there anything you can share with us about the meaning of these incredible events, as the one who has been at their focal point?

KEVIN

Alright. It's like this: having been forced into exile from everything I knew, I tried at first to exorcise the thing that possessed my people, and I failed. Instead, I found myself conducting a funeral service for them.

SARAH

So, you feel the party's over? That we're all facing extinction?



Kevin Annett (left) and Republic of Kanata citizens holding a memorial service for murdered eyewitness William Combes on the 10th anniversary of his death, February 26, 2021, outside Holy Rosary Catholic Cathedral, Vancouver

KEVIN

That might be the more humane option. An even deadlier prospect is if this horrible killing machine we call civilization endures.

SARAH

That shocks me to hear you say that, Kevin. It doesn't match your life. If you really expect all this to end, then why have you bothered fighting so hard for the underdog, and for all of us? Why spend all those long years endlessly campaigning and struggling and undergoing all that personal loss, if you know it's all for nothing?

KEVIN

Because I couldn't do anything else than what I've done, being who I am.

SARAH

I see that. Maybe that's the best summary of who you are. And your stoic indifference towards ultimate outcomes reminds me of the archetypal warrior whose only concern is his devotion to the battle and to the purpose given him. That's his strength. But the rest of us need some kind of hope for a better future, even if there isn't one.

KEVIN

You mean you need to deceive yourselves on your deathbeds? I understand that. I've seen enough of that in hospitals and cancer wards and on the streets. But denial is just one stage of dying. Given time, we all accept that there's nothing wrong with death, when it's our time and it's necessary.

SARAH

And so, it's necessary that our time as a people end, is that what you're saying?

KEVIN

As this people it is. And that's a good thing. We inhabit something too twisted and murderous for there to be a peaceful outcome or resolution. What we have become must die for something better to be born. But that isn't in our hands, not anymore. We had our chance and threw it away. The evil we exposed gave the rest of us the opportunity to step out of it and change, but we refused. And unfortunately, history doesn't wait for anyone.

SARAH

Don't you mean God? Is this a divine judgement?

KEVIN

What does God have to do with it? We brought this destruction on ourselves. It's the Law of Return: the wrongs we do to others always strike back at us. As for divine will, in the Bible, the prophet Isaiah is told by God not to open peoples' eyes or unclog their minds, because they aren't meant to be saved. "*But how long, Lord?*" Isaiah asks in his grief. "*Until the cities are empty without man, and the land lies desolate.*"

SARAH

A big cleanup, in other words. Then maybe we shouldn't stop what's coming, since that would be to oppose God's purpose of pulling the plug on our whole rotten mess.

KEVIN

Quite possibly. But we can't really know that until we run aground on the shoals of our own efforts and expectations. Then the bigger horizon can appear.

SARAH

Did you used to preach this way?

KEVIN

Which way?

SARAH

Well, you make me think, and examine my own heart and my life.

KEVIN

Good. And the answer is yes, I did. Why do you think the boot came down on me?

SARAH

It's not exactly the standard "feel good" pulpit drivel that you're speaking, Reverend. I imagine that made you either loved or hated in your church.

KEVIN

That's probably true, in hindsight. But being Canadians, my parishioners were never honest or brave enough to either love me or hate me to my face.

SARAH

When you were talking earlier, I thought of the Bible quote from Paul or someone that says that Christ spits out our lukewarmness, or something like that. In other words, God hates uncommitted people. Divine truth isn't nice and comfy, it's meant to shock and divide people.

KEVIN

Well, how else do you bring the dead to life? That quote is actually from the Book of Revelation, when John says, quoting God, "*Because you are lukewarm, neither hot nor cold, I shall spew you out of my mouth.*"

SARAH

Kevin, I have to ask you something personal, if you don't mind.

KEVIN

Feel free.

SARAH

I've been trying to imagine being married to someone like you, and it scares the shit out of me.

KEVIN

Is that a proposal?

SARAH (*laughing*)

Oh, my God! Look, I'm serious. You really are an extraordinary man. The depth of your character, your integrity and compassion and your incredible courage, it can't help but draw people to you, especially women. But it also must make them feel nervous, maybe less than you somehow, and even unworthy of you. Especially in a marriage.

KEVIN

It doesn't have to if the other person is cut from the same mold. But that's rare.

SARAH

So very rare! Have you ever found a woman who matches you? Someone who is your genuine partner and stands by you through thick and thin?

KEVIN

No, never.

SARAH

That must be incredibly lonely, to have to bear your immense burden alone.

KEVIN

Of course it is. My own fire doesn't keep out all the night's cold. But this is what fate and my own choices have handed me. I've learned to endure.

SARAH

Of course you have, Kevin, you dear man. I know that loneliness and pain will never deter you. The hero's journey is always a solitary one. But the rest of us never honor or love our heroes enough. Or their sacrifice for us.

KEVIN

That's unfortunately true. But it's like comparing apples and oranges.

SARAH

Or an eagle to chickens, more accurately. I see why you were given that name, Eagle Strong Voice. How did that happen?

KEVIN

Out of the blue, in the summer of 2004. To honor my work, an Ojibway elder named Whispers Wind, Louis Daniels, adopted me into his Crane clan in Winnipeg. We met at a ceremony in the north end, and it was love at first sight! Louis was a great guy, and tiny as hell. He looked a lot like Yoda in Star Wars.

SARAH

Is he still with us?

KEVIN

No, not in the flesh. He was another one of our people who died suddenly in a hospital after working with us.

SARAH

There aren't many of your native allies who are still alive, are there, Kevin?

KEVIN

A handful. But Louis was special, in a lot of ways. He told me that when he was a kid in the Brandon United Church death camp in the late 1940's, his soul travelled one night to a secret government meeting in Ottawa. He listened to them discuss how to wipe out his Ojibway people with drugs and new weapons.

SARAH

Really?

KEVIN

Yes. Louis said he saw the Prime Minister, Louis St. Laurent, at that meeting, and also Lester Pearson, the future PM, and a bunch of church guys in robes. He said he never knew what to do about what he had been shown until he met me and got involved in our campaign.

SARAH

Kevin, I think Louis spoke for many of his people and so many survivors who were given the chance by your sacrifice to speak the truth and reclaim themselves. What you have given them all, and to all of us, is beyond estimation. That must give you a special kind of satisfaction and warmth during your long nights.

KEVIN

It always has. And that's part of the victory. But like my father Bill told me once, it's been a pyrrhic victory, since like any bloody battle, the loss has been too enormous to allow any sense of triumph.

SARAH

I'm learning that. But the thanks remain, anyway, from all of us. It's no wonder you've been twice nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize.

KEVIN

Yeah, and it's strange. They haven't called me yet.

SARAH (*laughing*)

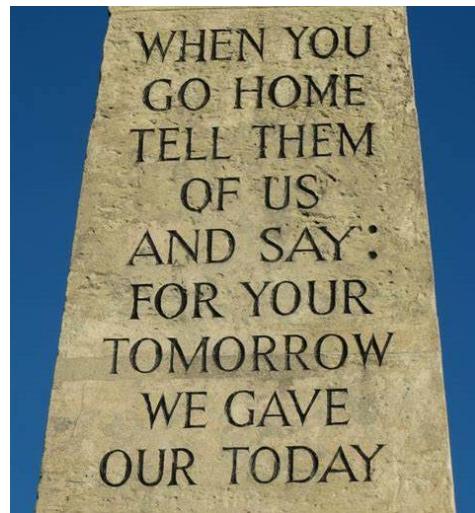
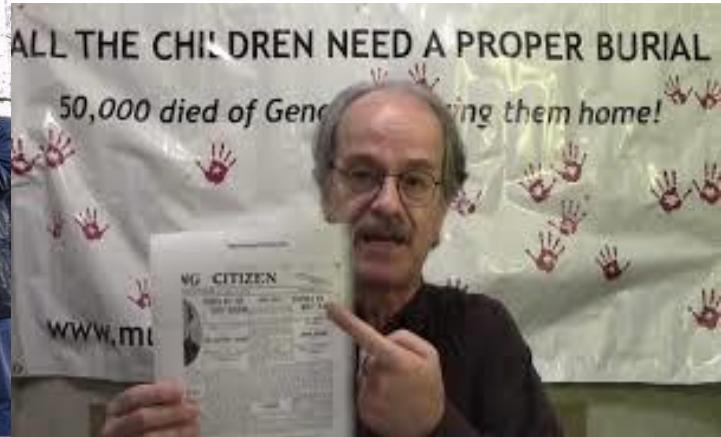
Maybe one day. So, Kevin, I'm not sure where that leaves our interview.

KEVIN

Perhaps right back where we began: with me as an eight-year-old sitting in the United Church, clutching both my Bible and the dollar offering that would help kill Sarah Wilson. Light and shadow, truth and lies, all mixed together.

SARAH

And occasionally, one man who stands up and chooses to serve the truth, to the very end. Thank you, Kevin Annett, Eagle Strong Voice, for being such a man.





[About Kevin Annett – Republic of Kanata](#)

Kevin Annett was born in Edmonton on February 10, 1956. He is the father of three children. He was adopted by the Anishinaabe Indigenous Nation in Winnipeg in 2004 and given the name Eagle Strong Voice.

Kevin studied at the University of British Columbia, where he obtained a Bachelor's degree in Anthropology (1983), and Master's Degrees in Political Science (1986) and Divinity (1990).

Kevin was ordained as a minister of the United Church of Canada in May 1990. He held pastoral positions in Manitoba and downtown Toronto. In the latter job as chaplain at Fred Victor Mission, Kevin uncovered money laundering, drug dealing, child trafficking, and other crimes committed by United Church staff and clergy. After writing a letter to the national church office about these wrongs, Kevin was threatened and pressured to resign and move out of town.

Kevin and his family relocated to British Columbia where he was hired as minister of St. Andrew's United Church in Port Alberni in July 1992. Over the next two years he expanded his congregation from ten members to nearly one hundred, launched many community projects, and broke local segregation practices by seating aboriginals and whites together in his church.

On January 23, 1995, Kevin was fired without cause, notice or review by United Church officials after exposing the murder of children at his church's Alberni Indian residential school and his church's theft of Ahousaht native land.

Kevin was subsequently expelled from United Church ministry without due process, losing his wife and children in a church-funded divorce, and was smeared and blacklisted by a joint Church-RCMP black ops campaign that continues to the present.

Kevin convened the first human rights Tribunal into crimes in Canadian Indian residential schools, Vancouver, June 12-14, 1998, which was co-hosted by the United Nations affiliate IHRAAM. Based on the evidence revealed, the Tribunal recommended to the United Nations that Canada and its churches be charged with genocide. Under Canadian government pressure, the UN refused to act.

Kevin formed the first permanent inquiry into these crimes, The Truth Commission into Genocide in Canada, early in 2000, and wrote the first independent report on Genocide in Canada, "*Hidden from History: The Canadian Holocaust*" in January 2001.

Kevin commenced a nation-wide campaign to document residential school crimes and organize the survivors, in 2002-2005. He helped form the nation-wide Friends and Relatives of the Disappeared (FRD) on the first Aboriginal Holocaust Remembrance Day, April 15, 2005, in Vancouver. He launched public protests and occupations against the Canadian government and the Catholic, Anglican and United Churches in Vancouver, Winnipeg, and Toronto, with the public endorsement of local indigenous elders.

In February 2007, Kevin released a documentary film "*Unrepentant*" which documents the uncensored record and evidence of deliberate genocide by Canadian Church and State in the Indian residential schools. Shortly after, the Globe and Mail confirmed Kevin's claim of a fifty percent death rate in the schools. ("*Children died in droves despite warnings to Ottawa*"). Member of Parliament Gary Merasty watched *Unrepentant* and called in the House of Commons for a Missing Children investigation.

In the same month, Kevin published a list of twenty-two mass graves of children at former residential schools and commenced occupations of the three guilty churches. The government buckled: Kevin and the FRD forced the "official apology" for Indian residential schools from the Harper government in July 2008.

Despite this, Kevin was subsequently erased from any media reports, despite his vindication and the validation of his claims about massive death rates and genocidal crimes in Indian residential schools.

After being invited by church survivors to Europe, Kevin held a public protest and exorcism at the Vatican, October 11, 2009; the next morning a tornado strikes Rome, and the first news reports appear linking Pope Benedict with child torture. Kevin is then invited by Irish church survivors to form the International Tribunal of Crimes of Church and State (ITCCS) in June 2010, and he is appointed its secretary.

ITCCS spreads to nine countries and launches protests and legal actions against the Catholic and other genocidal churches.

Kevin is invited by nine traditional Mohawk elders in Brantford, Ontario to excavate at a mass grave of children at the local Anglican school, February 2011. Dig commences that fall with elders' approval. Children's bones are uncovered and positively identified by forensic scientists in November 2011. Dig is shut down in January 2012 by government-allied "chiefs" and a false story smearing Kevin is circulated by them.

The International Common Law Court of Justice (ICLCJ) is convened by the ITCCS to charge Pope Benedict, Queen Elizabeth and 28 other defendants with committing and concealing Genocide, in July 2012. Kevin serves as the chief advisor to the Prosecutor.

Pope Benedict (Joseph Ratzinger) resigns from his office just before the ICLCJ verdict finds him guilty and sentenced to arrest and imprisonment in February 2013, after the Spanish government notifies Benedict that he could face arrest based on the ICLCJ evidence. Three other top Vatican officials named in the ICLCJ indictment also resign.

The same ICLCJ court indicts the present Pope Francis (Jorge Bergoglio) for Crimes against Humanity during the summer of 2014, and an arrest warrant is issued against him. This verdict is reaffirmed on January 15, 2022. ([Breaking News from the International Common Law Court of Justice, January 15, 2022 \(GMT\) Big pharma, government, church leaders face arrest as Court convicts them of Genocide, prohibits injections – Murder by Decree](#))

Based on his work, Kevin is nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize by American scholars in 2014 and 2015. In 2016 he receives the coveted Prague Peace Award.

In January 2015, Kevin helps convene the first convention of the Republic of Kanata in Winnipeg. The same month he begins a public radio program, *Radio Free Kanata*, which becomes *Here We Stand* (www.bbsradio.com/herewestand). Kevin is appointed the National Co-Convener for the Republic of Kanata in January 2017.

Between 2016 and 2019 Kevin publishes ten books recounting the history of his many campaigns, the evidence of ongoing genocide in Canada (www.murderbydecree.com), *The Case for the Republic of Kanata*, his biographies, and Common Law and Whistleblower Training Manuals.

As part of the national resistance to the COVID police state, between February and November 2020, Kevin personally organizes eleven Common Law Republic Assemblies on the west coast and assists with the formation of over thirty other Assemblies across Kanata.

In June 2022, Kevin convenes the Republic Alliance, a federation of common law Republics in Kanata, America, Ireland, England, France, Holland, Italy, Greece, Australia, and New Zealand. Their first joint campaign is to disestablish and expel the Church of Rome in their own countries.

Important Background Links:

1. Kevin Annett on Genocide in Canada and its coverup, black ops and smears, and his personal history – from a Toronto TV interview, September 2019 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rk4g5I7FcFc&list=PLYEnChrKOgm7aRDzbo6yfswzCEdMI2P8e&index=1>

Individual clips from that interview:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLYEnChrKOgm7aRDzbo6yfswzCEdMI2P8e>

2. *Unrepentant* : Kevin's award-winning documentary (2007)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Czej73SfYJc>

3. "Who is Kevin Annett?" (2013) – an insightful personal interview
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AY4h3hdjOYM>

4. *Erasing the Erasure: On the Trail of Canada's Biggest Cover Up* – An overview article on Kevin Annett and his 25 year campaign by Sarah J. Webster <http://www.salem-news.com/articles/march262019/canada-biggest-cover-up-sw.php>

Quotes:

"Kevin Annett is more deserving of the Nobel Peace Prize than many who have received it in the past. What has been done to him is outrageous." – Dr. Noam Chomsky, August 2002

"Kevin's actions spoke louder than any words. He put everything in his life on the line for our people, but that made him a lot of powerful enemies. Kevin's the only white man I've ever trusted." – Ahousaht traditional elder George Hamilton, Port Alberni, May 2005

"Kevin Annett made us all sit up and take notice." – Member of Parliament Gary Mersaty, May 12, 2007

"I made Kevin my fiduciary agent on March 4, 2008, and gave him the right and authority to evict the Catholic, Anglican, and United churches from my peoples' land, in what is the City of Vancouver. I also granted him the legal Right of Entry into those churches and the power to search for the graves of our children. Kevin stands under the protection of the Great Spirit and our sovereign nation." – Siem Kiapilano of the indigenous Squamish Nation, January 15, 2015

"If there's one man who forced genocide onto Canada's agenda and brought justice to thousands of people, it's Kevin Annett. He's what my people call a righteous soul." – Civil Rights veteran Colia Clark, New York, June 2014

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