

Survivors Voice

Clergy Abuse Survivor Calls For Pope Benedict to Resign

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Boston Massachusetts: Clergy Abuse Survivor Bernie McDaid, founder of "Reformation Day held at the Vatican in 2010 and co-founder of Survivors Voice Inc., is calling for the resignation of Pope Benedict XVI. McDaid was the first survivor to globally warn Pope Benedict in a private meeting in Washington DC in April 2008.

"Pope Benedict has lost his moral and spiritual compass and is still protecting the church hierarchy over the children. The damaging cover-up has gone global, effecting the entire Catholic community. We need new leadership in order to heal and move forward; Pope Benedict must step down," McDaid says. "It is time for change, people throughout the world are saying "ENOUGH". I am asking for a complete investigation into the entire career of Pope John Paul II, pertaining to child sexual abuse and fear his hurried path to sainthood is just another ploy by Pope Benedict to move beyond this ugly cancer now spreading throughout the 2000 year old Catholic Institution. This is yet another stab in the heart to the survivor community" McDaid says.

Bernie McDaid, along with Gary Bergeron, co-founders of Survivors Voice Inc. (www.survivorsvoice.org) will formally launch Survivors Voice-Europe in London England on March 26, 2011.

"Our Next Event is planned for the United States. We are asking the world to attend a peaceful demonstration in Washington DC on June 25, 2011." said McDaid.

"The power of people, standing together is a strong beginning. We hope to help survivors shed the guilt and shame that surrounds this issue. This will be the first global survivor event, following the Reformation Day Event held at the Vatican on October 31 2010, when survivors from 14 countries stood together." said McDaid.

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