

**News and Current Events :: Update on Ken Miller Case****Update on Ken Miller Case - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2013/3/5 9:57**

Where do I put this item? Here or on the miracles forum? Will post it here - if the mods wish to move it, that is up to the m...

Here is the latest on the Ken Miller case.

<http://www.millercase.org/>

Here is the most recent entry on the website link posted above:

From David Bercot On Monday's Events

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It's 6:15 AM, and we just arrived back from Vermont. David Bercot had this excellent update on his site. David has been an incredible help.

Ken Miller Has Been Set Free For Now

March 4, 2013: This afternoon, Judge Sessions made three rulings:

1. He sentenced Ken Miller to 27 months in federal prison for aiding Lisa Miller to flee to Nicaragua with her daughter.
2. He decided that Ken is not going to testify before the grand jury regardless of continued incarceration, so he lifted the civil contempt order.
3. Before the hearing, we filed a notice that we intended to appeal Ken's conviction because we feel that venue was improper. Venue is the place a trial is held. We feel that the federal rules require that the case be tried in Virginia instead of Vermont.

The judge ruled that we have raised a "substantive issue," meaning we have a reasonable chance of prevailing on the appeal. He therefore put Ken's prison sentence on hold until the 2nd Circuit rules on our appeal. This will probably take 2 years or longer. If the sentence were not stayed, Ken could serve nearly his entire sentence, only to have the original conviction overturned.

So Ken was able to leave the federal courthouse in Burlington, VT, and return with his wife and family to Virginia. When I last spoke with him, he was en route to Virginia. About 100 brothers and sisters attended the hearing. Ken will be under the same restrictions he was previously under—such as not leaving the state of Virginia.

Two to three years from now, we should receive a ruling from the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals on our appeal. If they agree with us that venue in Vermont was improper, then the federal government will have to start over. Such a ruling would erase Ken's sentence as well as his felony conviction. The government may elect to try Ken in Virginia, or they may decide to drop the case.

If the Court of Appeals rules that venue in Vermont was proper, then Ken will have to report to the prison to which he will be assigned to begin his sentence. The judge said that Ken would serve his time in a minimum security prison in or near Virginia. DB

KEN IS COMING HOME!!

Re: Update on Kenneth Miller Case - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2013/3/5 9:59

Here is a link that explains this story:

<http://www.theatlantic.com/national/archive/2013/03/man-of-sorrows-the-minister-who-helped-a-woman-kidnap-a-child/273661/>

Re: Update on Ken Miller Case - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2013/3/6 18:30

This was posted today on <http://www.millercase.org/>

"The court was dismissed at about 5:30. It came as a surprise to all of us that Ken was released for now and was not held on at least one of the charges. With grateful hearts, we shared in the graciousness of our Father in heaven giving Ken the joy of being reunited with his wife and children. Such a joy for us all, especially Ken's family! His dear wife, Linda, was beaming. The children were overwhelmed. Ken's testimony was that they thank God for this experience which has drawn them closer to God and to each other. Ken had no other clothes but his navy blue prison garb so one of the brothers from Stuarts Draft gave him a coat to keep him warm and make him more presentable to the news media as we left the building.

David Bercot, one of the consulting attorneys, explained the future prospects this way: "Two to three years from now, we should receive a ruling from the 2nd Circuit Court of Appeals on our appeal. If they agree with us that venue in Vermont was improper, then the federal government will have to start over. Such a ruling would erase Ken's sentence as well as his felony conviction. The government may elect to try Ken in Virginia, or they may decide to drop the case. If the Court of Appeals rules that venue in Vermont was proper, then Ken will have to report to the prison to which he will be assigned to begin his sentence." If I understood correctly, one of the defense lawyers in court mentioned also that the decision by the Court of Appeals may be appealed to the US Supreme Court."

There is more on the website posted above.

Re: - posted by onemite, on: 2013/3/7 1:49

I'm touched, inspired and encouraged by these peoples love for one another and for Mr. Miller's humble responses to his interviewer. May Christ continue to be magnified.

I hadn't heard about this story before reading your post.

Thanks, ginnyrose!

Onemite

Re: Update on Ken Miller Case - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2013/3/7 10:13

Here is a link to David Bercot's site. He shares the legal view of the case - he is a consulting attorney in this case.

<http://www.scrollpublishing.com/store/ken-miller-trial.html>

There is one nagging question I have that has not been addressed in any article I have read concerning this situation.

Isabella was sexually abused by her mother's former lover. This has been verified by experts...The child was severely damaged emotionally...My question: why did the law not kick in and charge Jenkins for molesting? If this would have been a clergyman the books would have been thrown at him and got wide exposure through the news media. A person has to look for any references on the web to this case although I heard it discussed on American Family Radio yesterday.

Apparently justice is not blind but political?

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Re: - posted by ginnyrose (), on: 2013/3/7 10:22

I, too, have been touched by the support Ken got from people. As I read this I was reminded how beneficial it is to be part of a body of Believers who will rally around you when you need support.

When I read how Ken ministered to other prisoners in jail, I am left thinking God really did put him there, did he not for this purpose?

Perhaps this story will be a powerful one that Believers can take to heart when things get rough for us in the future.

ginnyrose