

8<sup>th</sup> July 2011

To Whom It May Concern:

**Letter of Recommendation for At the Ark Ministries**

This letter is one of recommendation for At the Ark Ministries, specifically relating to the ***"Speaking the Unspeakable"*** Seminar.

Simon and Xene Schembri and their team came to Destiny Church in May this year to present the seminar ***"Speaking the Unspeakable."*** The main focus of the Seminar was to:

- Encourage the Church to be the Head and not the Tail on the issue of child sexual abuse
- Establish in the Church a support system that will assist families through the journey from disclosure to complete healing
- Equip the Church to support families in their individual Churches or community in a healthy and positive manner from early disclosure
- Empower the Church with the right tools to help families to become healed and restored

As a Pastor and leader in the Church I welcome such an initiative from people who have lived through the trauma of child sexual abuse and now have the sense of call and mission to help others trapped in similar life stories. Bringing such information and assistance to light in the form of seminars is meeting a great need in the Church, and I strongly support their mission.

I highly recommend that Church leaders, parents and workers, voluntary and paid, be given the opportunity to experience the ***"Speaking the Unspeakable"*** Seminar. As responsible adults and ambassadors of Christ we must pick up the mantle to protect our emerging generation from the horrors of child sexual abuse, and bring healing and wholeness to those who are already victim to this abuse.

Please consider how your Church family will be better Encouraged, Established, Equipped, and Empowered in the issues of child sexual abuse by hosting a ***"Speaking the Unspeakable"*** Seminar.

In the busy-ness of your Church year, I personally believe this is a ***must have*** seminar for all Churches, Ministries, and Christian Organizations, and I encourage you to make space for it in your Church calendar. Destiny Church is a better place for having hosted the Seminar.

I would be happy to speak with you further should you require any further information.

Yours truly,

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