

To Christopher A. Wray, Director (Copy) April 18, 2019
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Re: Jim Jones

Dear Mr. Wray:

While the FBI has some information regarding the Reverend Jim Jones and the tragedy at Jonestown, Guyana, in 1978, I suspect neither the FBI nor the CIA is fully aware of the foremost facts leading to the downfall of Jim Jones and the end of his evil, ecclesiastical empire.

In brief, the story behind the story may be summarized, as follows: Jim Jones fled to Guyana because he was running from David Conn, a mere citizen who had the goods (evidence) on him after eight years of private investigation. David learned about the fake healings, child abuse, theft and other crimes from defectors of Peoples Temple who were his friends and acquaintances. Finally, in 1977 Jim Jones discovered that David Conn was on his trail and was passing information on to reporters, federal agents and others. This happened because:

- # 1. Dennis Banks, American Indian leader, betrayed David Conn; and
- # 2. Jones' spies mistook me for Mike Prokes, Jim Jones best friend and ally, leading Jones to think Mike Prokes betrayed him.

Note that said spies were under the house of Donna Conn, Dave's ex-wife, located in Oakland, California, listening to conversations between Dave, Donna and me about Jim Jones, his henchmen, and other matters. That is when they mistook me for Mike Prokes. Jones' spies were never under the house of reporters, press, politicians, or police agents. It was David Conn that Jim Jones feared. Jones' newspaper, the People's Forum, even named ~~me~~ David Conn as "Public Enemy No. 1."

I am aware that the FBI had some information about Jim Jones because I have copies of FBI phone transcripts made in 1978 when the FBI wiretapped Jim Jones. In those

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transcripts Jones is heard talking about David Conn, calling him a Nazi, talking about Dave's meeting with Dennis Banks, etc. These transcripts are labeled Q 981, Q 284, Q 579, Q 805, and Q 805a.

Since the FBI knew about David Conn and knew that Jim Jones perceived Dave as a threat, why didn't FBI Agents interview David Conn? Failure to do so seems like negligence to me. And I admire the FBI! But I would be interested in your answer.

Anyway, how all the above happened is explained in detail in a narrative I wrote in 1980 entitled "The Downfall of Jim Jones", a copy of which is enclosed herewith. It may also be googled at the San Diego State University website.

David Conn is the only hero in the Jim Jones saga who risked his life to expose Jones and I am an innocent participant who played an unwitting, but major role in the undoing of Jim Jones.

I pass all this info along, F.Y.I. and perusal, RSVP.

Respectfully, Larry Lee Litke

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P.S. - Circa 1947 when I was 12, I wrote a letter to J. Edgar Hoover and he answered with a letter to me. God, I wish I still had that letter. Maybe you can find a copy in the FBI files. Also I had a college friend at U.C. Berkeley, Robert Eh, whose mother used to date J. Edgar Hoover. Finally, on July 26, 2008, I sent a birthday card to the FBI in celebration of its 100th birthday. God bless you, and the FBI.

cc: Gina Haspel, CIA Director

cc: Michael Savage