



In Loving Memory

This memorial is left in memory of all the families who have been destroyed by the hurtful, harmful, unloving practice of shunning that is embraced by Jehovah's Witnesses worldwide. For those who have lost loved ones to this practice, whether by distance or death, we remember and honor you on this special day.

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This memorial is left in honor of all the congregation members and families who have lost loved ones because of the changing stand on blood transfusions of Jehovah's Witnesses. For those who have lost friends, family, or their very own lives to this belief, we remember and honor you on this special day.

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This memorial is left in honor of all the women who have sacrificed their health, safety, wellbeing, and even their very lives to the domestic violence within the congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses. For those who have suffered physical, verbal, and sexual abuse and who have been betrayed by the very men meant to protect you, we remember and honor you on this special day.

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This memorial is left in honor of all the children who have endured physical, verbal, and emotional abuse and other forms of violence within their own homes without their health, safety, and wellbeing ever being recognized in the pages of the Watchtower magazine. For those who have sacrificed so much, we remember and honor you on this special day.

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This memorial is left in honor of all the children who have suffered sexual assault and abuse within the congregations of Jehovah's Witnesses, and who have been further traumatized by the demand for a second witness to this obscenity before their abuser is removed from the organization. For those who have lost so much, we remember and honor you on this special day.

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This memorial is left in honor of all those who have sacrificed so much of their lives because of the false promises, predictions, and teachings of Jehovah's Witnesses. For those who gave up their potential for family, children, career, and self-fulfillment, we honor you on this special day.

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In all pages of the Watchtower publications, not once are women in homes marked by domestic violence told to think about the damage done to their children.

These women are instead encouraged to remain with their abusers in the hopes of winning over their husbands, rather than protecting their children.

The Watchtower will not honor these children, but we do. You are remembered. You are loved.

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Women who are Jehovah's Witnesses and who are suffering domestic violence are often told to "be more submissive" and "be more loving" to their abusers, and may be blamed for the atrocities they suffer.

Jehovah's Witnesses will not honor these women, but we do. You are remembered. You are loved.

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A woman who is one of Jehovah's Witnesses and the victim of rape is mercilessly questioned by men in her congregation and may face disfellowshipping and subsequent shunning for "fornication." Jehovah's Witnesses may have lost all tender compassion for these women, but we have not, and we honor them on this special day.

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This is dedicated to the memory of my family, whom I've lost to the hurtful, harmful, unscriptural and horrific practice of shunning among Jehovah's Witnesses. To all of you, I love you and miss you very much and hope to one day see you again. You will always be in my heart.

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This is dedicated to the child I once was, who sacrificed so much and had so much taken away because of the abusive and unloving policies and practices of Jehovah's Witnesses.

To that little girl, you are very precious and will always be in my heart.

You are now free.

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A person in a blue jacket is seen from behind, looking out at a vast, light-colored landscape under a clear sky. The person is positioned in the lower right quadrant of the image. The overall tone is somber and reflective.

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This is dedicated to all the children of Jehovah's Witnesses who face shunning in their own congregation because other members have judged them as not doing enough or not living up to improper, manmade standards.

To all the faithful and obedient children who sacrifice holidays, birthdays, outside friends, beloved family, higher education, freedom of expression, and so much more, and who endure ridicule and bullying from schoolmates but who are still ostracized and isolated inside your own congregation, we feel your heartache. Please know that you are not alone, and we honor you on this special day.

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To My Family

When I was baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses, I was only a child. I had no real comprehension of what was truly involved in dedicating my life to the Watchtower Bible & Tract Society, and only wanted to make you happy.

As I got older I realized I did not agree with the teachings and practices found inside the Kingdom Hall, and in good conscience I needed to leave the organization. It was never my intention to leave you, my family. My allegiance to the Watchtower Society and its governing body may be gone but my love for you is eternal.

Having my family turn their backs on me simply because I no longer agree with their religious beliefs breaks my heart more than I can describe. I will not be coerced into returning to the organization, but I struggle with my grief every day because you are now, and always will be, in my heart. I pray that one day you will understand the harsh cruelty of expecting an adult to adhere to a decision they made as a child, and will work to repair our family bonds. I will be waiting with open arms and an open heart for that day.

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For the women who have suffered physical, sexual, mental, and emotional abuses and humiliations under the guise of “headship.”

For the children who have suffered physical, mental, and emotional abuses under the guise of “discipline.”

For the children who suffered sexual assaults at the hands of trusted men in the congregation or their own family heads, and who were subsequently abandoned by those who should have protected them.

For those who struggle to earn a living because of being told that higher education was a sign of spiritual weakness.

For those who gave up marriage and family and who never saw their own children into this world because of trusting that “the end” was near.

For those who lost their lives or beloved family members due to a flawed, unscriptural, and ever-changing policy on blood transfusions and organ transplants.

For those who have lost family due to a harsh, dogmatic, manmade, and unscriptural policy on shunning.

For those who suffer with panic, anxiety, depression, and other mental and emotional distresses due to the unloving and hurtful policies and practices of this organization.

We remember and honor all of you on this day.

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This is dedicated to my children, whom I never had a chance to bring into this world. I foolishly believed the hope set out by the Watchtower Society of a new order that was soon to be at hand, and sacrificed my own precious family on the altar of that hope. I beg your forgiveness for listening to their unfounded promises that stole so much from me, and only hope that there is another life after this one so that I may see your beautiful faces.

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This memorial is dedicated to all victims of the Watchtower Society who have taken their own lives throughout the years. Whether the result of harsh and unloving shunning, feelings of guilt or hopelessness, or because of being discouraged from getting real help when it was needed, these ones are remembered and honored on this special day.

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