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Salem Alliance Church - The Broadway Project - Silent On Racism?

Who's Supporting the Akha Ethnocide in Thailand?

The Akha mountain people live in SE Asia. 70,000 live in Thailand.
Lori Crouch of Salem and Paul Vernon of Denver work with the mission "Akha Outreach" in Chiangrai, Thailand.  Akha Outreach demands that the Akha abandon their culture and identity and convert to Christianity. Akha Outreach agrees to remove Akha children from their villages, to western missions for indoctrination. The culture and language is destroyed.

Salem Alliance Church is linked on Lori Crouch's website, www.loriandpaul.hopedenver.com

We asked pastor John Stumbo if Salem Alliance supported Lori Crouch and the destruction of Akha culture? John Stumbo said Salem Alliance doesn't send money to Lori Crouch. But that isn't what we asked him. We asked him if Salem Alliance supports what Lori Crouch does to the Akha? John Stumbo doesn't answer.

Akha Outreach is the mission that Lori Crouch works for and Akha Outreach got training from the Baptist missionary Paul W. Lewis who is the guy who sterilized hundreds of Akha women. Yes, sterilized.

We asked John Stumbo if Salem Alliance was NOT supportive of Lori Crouch, if they would ask Lori to take the link to Salem Alliance off their website the Vernon Journal at www.loriandpaul.hopedenver.com. We got no answer from John Stumbo. So while Salem Alliance plans the Broadway Project why are they silent about what Lori Crouch is doing in the Akha villages of Thailand? Our family is Akha, and we don't like what missionaries like Lori Crouch and Paul Vernon and Paul Lewis have done to the Akha people and what they keep on doing. We want them to get out of the villages. We want them to stop taking the children away from the families and coercively converting the Akha children for assimilation. So why is John Stumbo silent? Is he silent on racism, so far away in Thailand? Would he want Salem Alliance linked to a disgusting Porn Site? Then why would we want Salem Alliance linked to people who destroy the culture of the Akha people? Maybe John Stumbo will be better at answering your questions. Visit www.akha.org for more information about the Akha and Human Rights.

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We don't think its funny when Salem Alliance plays community servant in Salem, while keeping silent on the destruction of Akha culture in Thailand.