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To Whom It May Concern.

I have been Ordained into the Church of England for the last twelve years. From 2002 to 2009 I was a Chaplain in H.M. Prison Risley, in Lancashire, U.K.

I have known Tony since 2005.

Tony came several times to speak to the Prisoners in Risley Prison, he also came to St. James Church Westhead where we had an outreach weekend and book signing event in Ormskirk and Southport.

When I took a Sabbatical in 2009 I accompanied Tony, to Slovakia, Malaysia Singapore and various events in the U.K.

Tony has also stayed at my house overnight.

My personal experience of Tony Anthony is that he is a genuine person, he has struggled financially, but as a family they have relied on God to supply their material needs. I never found Tony to be anything other than honest, reliable and trustworthy.

I could not find any reason to doubt Tony's teaching and in my scrutiny I found what he said to be true to that which is written in the Bible.

For myself, his preaching was as I understand, the true Gospel, I have heard Tony speak on many occasions and never tired of what he was saying; when the Holy Spirit is at work, we will never tire.

The effect of Tony's preaching on all who heard was effective, whether that was in the Prison, local Church, or abroad people were challenged in a humble, non assuming way, yet challenged as to the claims of Jesus Christ that He is the Son of God, and the only one who can forgive sins.

I see Tony as a man of integrity and humility, yet keen to cut out waste for the sake of speaking about Jesus.

When I was with him he never asked for money, Churches would be expected to cover expenses. In the Prison he was never paid anything, he never asked for money.

Tony willingly gave his books to the Prisoners and encouraged them to give them to other Prisoners. They were sold in the Church, but free books were offered to those that could not afford to pay for them.

I am a very cautious person and am extremely wary of any one new and particularly when it comes to teaching from the Word of God. I would say that I am discerning and have never seen any reason to doubt what Tony was saying or his motives.

He is very impatient and is only concerned with speaking to others about the Good News that Jesus is the Son of God, He died, lived, forgave sins, and rose again. This same Jesus lives today in people like Tony Anthony who I believe God has given a passion to share this Good News with all who he comes into contact with. Tony's' ministry is based on the Great Commission:

The Great Commission

Mt 28:16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go.

Mt 28:17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted.

Mt 28:18 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Mt 28:19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

Mt 28:20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

If I can be of any further help then do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

Rev. John Sephton