

MINISTRIES

Heerhugowaard, June 22, 2024

Dear friends, churches, pastors, youth leaders and youth,

It is with great sadness that I would like to inform you about two low points that have occurred, namely that Kelly and I are divorced and that I have been fired as a youth pastor at the Sjaloom Pentecostal Church.

I choose to share this message publicly. Over the years I have always shared my highlights with you publicly. I think it is important to be open when it comes to this major low point in my life.

The first and saddest low is that Kelly and I are divorcing. I would like to keep the reasons for the divorce private. I never thought I would get to this point in my life. This divorce only has victims, our son Levi, Kelly and me. I mourn the fact that our marriage is over. Kelly and I will do everything we can to be the best mom and dad to Levi. Kelly and Levi are staying in America.

The other sad low point is that I was fired as a youth pastor at Sjaloom Pentecostal Church. I cannot agree with the reason for the dismissal and regret the manner of external communication. It hurts me. I am also very sad that I was not able to say goodbye to the church and my place in youth ministry in a satisfying way. There is no connection between the divorce and the dismissal from Pentecostal Church Sjalom.

These low points have meant that I am no longer active from the beginning of this year. I have stopped preaching and other initiatives such as All-In, a partnership in the youth ministry in North Holland. I have chosen to draw a line through the year 2024. The rest of this year I will focus on recovery. I am grateful for my family, friends and spiritual leaders who support me.

When it comes to my faith, I can say that I don't understand many things, but I still completely trust God. I experience His peace, love and presence. The desire to serve God remains in me. I believe God is not done with me yet.

I want to express my love to the youth and youth leaders of Friday Night Life: I love you, you are amazing! I believe in you and still pray for you. My adventure of seeing you grow in faith and in numbers has been the most beautiful faith journey of my life. You are my friends and I hope our contact will be restored.

I ask for your prayers for our son Levi, Kelly and myself.

Lots of love and God bless,

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