

## Frances Chavez

Submitted 9/16/2020

Age 32 at the time of the incident

I met David Haas at the Religious Ed Congress many times throughout the years but only in quick passing. I took students to MMA two years in a row and I felt like me and the teens I took were invisible to David Haas. I saw how he looked at other teens with such admiration. The teens I took really liked the experience hence going back a second year because as everyone knows DH was a celebrity.

Then in 2006, I attended the Religious Ed Congress. I had recently separated from my husband who idolized DH and his music. DH reached out to me through Facebook and asked if I wanted to meet for coffee at the Congress I think on Friday or Saturday. I was so jazzed he remembered and knew who I was so I agreed to meet with him. We decided to meet at the lobby of the Marriott. When I met him he said let's go for a walk. I didn't think much of it till we started walking towards the back of the hotel where no one was in sight. I started feeling strange and isolated. He told me how beautiful I was and how he wanted to get to know me better. He wrapped his arms around me for a hug and said something to the effect of I'm here for you as a friend except he also leaned in for a kiss and I pushed him away and said no stop, what the heck are you doing or something like that and I know he became very angry and red faced. I ran back to my hotel room and discussed it with a friend. He didn't understand or quite know what to feel so I told a few others who were in leadership roles at congress. One person said "you mean he's at it again" but everyone just seemed to brush it off. I believe someone said they would talk to him or take care of it. I assumed it was taken care of. Some believed me and others didn't quite know what to believe.

He contacted me 4 days after the congress ended.

I just wanted what happened to go away so I never talked about it again until the day I contacted Into account.

He did reach out to me through the years via email and Facebook but I never responded to him and blocked him on fb.

# INTO ACCOUNT

SUPPORT FOR SURVIVORS + ALLIES

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**Hi from David Haas**

 RabbitSong@aol.com  
To [REDACTED] ★  
Apr 7, 2006 at 1:54 PM

Hi there...

Just wanted to write you and say it was great to see you and get to know you better.... it was nice to have some time.... hope you got home OK....

Stay in touch - God bless you..  
David

 Facebook  
To Frantastic Chvz ★  
Mar 13, 2014 at 11:21 PM

facebook

**David Haas wants to be friends with you on Facebook.**  
Composer at GIA Publications, Inc. · University of St. Thomas · Eagan, Minnesota  
805 friends · 29 groups

[Confirm Request](#) [See All Requests](#)

Begin forwarded message:

On Tuesday, April 11, 2006, 8:00 AM, Frances <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Hello David,

I received your voice mail message, missed calls and email, however, I haven't had a chance to respond to them until now.

I understand that there is some talk going around in regards to the weekend of Congress. I'm also aware that [REDACTED] have taken what she has heard from sources other than myself and reported them to GIA.

Although the comments such as the mentioning of the dream that you had, did make me feel uncomfortable, what is taking place now is only making matters worse. As a professional in the industry, I feel these comments and actions by you were inappropriate and should not have taken place.

Please know, that I have not been contacted by anyone in regards to any of the information that is being passed around, therefore, I cannot comment on what has been said by others.

I am doing fine and would appreciate an end to things without getting any other parties involved. However, it has been brought to my attention that various people are trying to obtain information from fellow colleagues, including [REDACTED]. He has no part whatsoever in what is happening and should not be brought in to the mix. Please, respect my request in regards to this.

Thank you for your understanding.

Frances

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