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Ok #ygk, I have a serious thread coming to end this series.

Part 3 of 3 focuses on what happens to people after they turn away from the church.

Most said they were shunned, excommunicated, and defamed by their former friends, even by some of their family members when they left.

Former members of a #ygk church say its leader, known as "Apostle," promised them miracles, but instead they were traumatized.

As faith communities like these grow, the former members are calling for oversight of independent, charismatic churches. <https://t.co/eVnG52dBcm>

— Global Kingston (@CKWS_TV) December 17, 2020

In part 1, I described how people's whole lives played out at the church.

<https://t.co/TiqrkjJONI>

After leaving, they had to relearn how to live.

They never listened "secular" music or watched certain movies, some were even told to boycott Starbucks, because it supports Pride

Going back into the "real world" made one former member feel like she was "losing her mind."

Also, part 3 shows the extreme fear that some people had after leaving.

One person said she worried she would literally be struck by lightning if she spoke badly about the church. #ygk