

From: Bishop Anna Greenwood-Lee

Sent: March 28, 2024 9:12 PM

To: Marvin Underwood

Subject: Your letter today

Dear Marvin,

I am sorry I was not at the office today when you came by. I have failed and disappointed you and for that I am sorry. I hope that we can talk when you are ready.

Lon and I did talk with all the clergy at a clergy day about the cruelty of the claims process and encourage all the clergy to themselves write to their MPs and to encourage their people to do so as well. There is more that we could do and should do to support you and others who are being re-traumatized by the very process that is supposed to be a sign of reconciliation.

That you have asked for and not received support, advocacy and allyship from your church community is something that I am deeply sorry for.

I will think and pray about this and I hope I might find a way to atone for my failings and work for justice for you and other survivors who deserve to be treated with more dignity and respect.

If you would like to talk to me about this I would welcome a phone call or a visit.

The order honors your contribution to the wider church. Your contribution is not in question so I hope that you will keep the order. It is I who need to do a better job of being a servant leader.

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