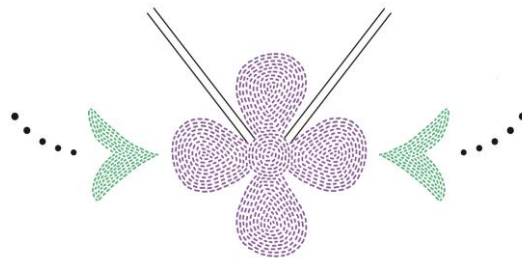


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3 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Okay.

4 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Okay, so I can start it
5 from where I remember things about my mom there. When I --
6 when we were on Michel Village, we called it Michel Village
7 there, eh? It's on Peter Pond Lake. It's on the other
8 side of the lake there. We had a cabin there, my dad, my
9 mom, myself and my sister. There used to be six of us
10 brothers and sisters, but they must have had TB or some
11 kind of syphilis, they died; eh. One they died in -- they
12 call them -- before what they call them, (inaudible)
13 Sanatorium or something?

14 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** I think it's here in
15 Saskatoon.

16 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Or Saskatoon here.
17 They call them Sanatorium or something, the hospital there.
18 That's how they deal with that, before in those days, 1952.
19 So my mom, they got sick with -- I don't know what kind of
20 sickness because I wasn't big enough to, to understand
21 everything about sickness, eh. So they sent them out. And
22 it was in 1952. And as soon as they sent them out, then we
23 never heard nothing about her. About seven months or six
24 months later, then somebody came from Dillon (ph).

25 We were listening to the radio from Dillon

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1 there. She was there she used to have a big radio, eh?
2 Bluegrass music because it was really good. That's why I
3 remember this about her back there, always whenever I hear
4 that music. Always I remember my mom. That's why I used
5 to listen to Gospel music all the time. So somebody came,
6 so we have bad news for you. They talked to my dad. Your
7 wife died. So we cried. Like I had tears in my eyes, I
8 always got tears, always. Even so I'm walking alone. It
9 always hits me back all the time that -- so after, so we'd
10 been waiting for the body to bring it back, nothing. We
11 never heard nothing after that. We heard she died,
12 somebody passed a message to us there. They're walking
13 along there from Dillon to Michel.

14 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** And that's a day I'll
15 remember, we don't know where she is.

16 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Dylan D-Y-L-A-N?

17 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** D-I-L-L-O-N.

18 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Oh D-I-L-L-O-N. So you
19 walked from Dillon to --

20 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** I guess they used to
21 have the message --

22 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Michel.

23 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Michel Village?

24 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Yeah.

25 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** I guess there was one of

1 the messengers from Dillon, walked to St. George, to where
2 they were, to deliver the message to them. And I guess
3 they waited and waited before I got there.

4 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** We'd been waiting for
5 them to bring the body back or something.

6 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** What was the name of
7 your mother?

8 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Josephine Moise.

9 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Can you spell that
10 please?

11 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** J-O-S-E-P-H-I-N-E.

12 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** And?

13 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Moise M-O-I-S-E.

14 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** M-O-I-C?

15 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** S-E.

16 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** And do you know her date
17 of birth?

18 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** No, I think it was -- I
19 know she was born in 1924. And my late Grandpa was born
20 August 12th, 1912. That's the husband of her. So I don't
21 know -- like I myself don't really know about her. Like we
22 don't even have a picture of her, nothing. That was back
23 in 1952, like everyone from the community, like the sisters
24 of her. No one seen her again since then. And that's the
25 time when they -- like I'm sure -- she was probably taken

1 back home, right? She was sent to the hospital, and that's
2 what he was talking about. Like six or seven months later
3 a messenger came and told them, but they never called back
4 or nothing.

5 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** They never bring her
6 clothes back or nothing to us.

7 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Nothing.

8 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** They just passed the
9 message to us, she's gone.

10 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** So all you know is that
11 she was passed away?

12 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** That's what we heard.

13 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** You don't know anything?

14 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** No.

15 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** We don't know anything,
16 nothing.

17 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** They never said how,
18 they didn't tell us where they buried her. Like we tried
19 looking -- like my late sister and my late auntie actually,
20 went and looked for her, trying to get a death certificate
21 of her.

22 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Yeah, but we couldn't
23 find anything, whether my sister died in the hospital
24 there, they've got her name there on the certificate and
25 stuff like that.

1 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** The death certificate
2 they couldn't find.

3 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** How old were you when
4 this happened?

5 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** I was almost five at
6 that time. My sister was three. So in the family there
7 were only three left at that time. My dad, myself and my
8 sister. Now, I'm alone now.

9 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** How has this impacted
10 you from there?

11 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** I always know this
12 since that time alone, when did I remember my mom. If I
13 listen to the Gospel music it always hits me back there and
14 then I've got tears. All the time, all the time until
15 today. I'm 70 right now, when I was five there. So it's
16 over 60 years.

17 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Sixty-six years.

18 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Sixty-six. I still
19 carry that loneliness until today.

20 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** My auntie and him have
21 been looking for them, like when they're in their early 20s
22 or 30s. They couldn't find them. But what my auntie is
23 saying is she was told -- I guess at the time my Grandma,
24 when she was taken out of her she was pregnant and that
25 baby died. There's a death certificate of that baby, but

1 there's nothing for her. So we like can't look where she
2 would be or what happened to her.

3 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** And so --

4 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Did she really die in a
5 hospital?

6 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Can you tell me how it
7 affected your family with this, like you being a daughter?

8 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Well this is the
9 problem. Because now as of -- she never seen her Grandma,
10 eh.

11 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** I never seen my
12 grandparents to this day, they just died.

13 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** I tell them the
14 stories, that's all they hear. So that's all they know
15 about their Grandma, eh.

16 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** My late Grandpa died in
17 1980. He was run over by a vehicle back in 1980. I was
18 born in 1984. But I've been hearing stories from like my
19 auntie, my late Grandma's sister. And like that's the last
20 time she seen her sister, taking her out of her home by the
21 people that takes people out here into the hospitals.
22 That's the last time she seen her sister.

23 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** It's only my sister and
24 I. We always want to see our mom, where they buried. We
25 wanted to see this grave, but until today nothing.

1 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Can you tell me what you
2 can remember? I know it was many years ago, 66 years ago,
3 but it's always still here in your heart. Can you tell,
4 can you tell me a little bit about your mom, like what can
5 you remember about your mom?

6 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Well they used to carry
7 us around the lake where we can -- they can catch a fish.
8 The lake got dry and stuff like that, right? Smoked fish
9 and whatever. When they started going, when we started
10 growing up, they'd haul us all around the shoreline.
11 That's a good place there, right? That's where they
12 carried us all the time. I remember that, until they send
13 her to the hospital there. That's the last time.

14 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** What else do you
15 remember about your mom?

16 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** I remember not too much
17 about my mom because I was little, eh? That's why. But I
18 know my mom, how she looks like. In those days there was
19 no camera, eh?

20 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** M'hmm.

21 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** That's why I didn't
22 bring a picture or nothing, that's why. But I know how she
23 looked. They look alike with my auntie, her sister.

24 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Can you tell me how it's
25 affected you in your life?

1 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Me, I would say like --
2 you know how every person wants to see their grandmother,
3 but --

4 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** It's okay.

5 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** It always turns back to
6 dad, like imagine how people growing up and not being with
7 your mom and who to turn. I always think about my dad that
8 way. I'm sure it was kind of hard for him, right? And the
9 way -- I just wish we could know where she's buried, and
10 like what really happened to her. That's why --

11 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** I think what she meant
12 by that is closure. And they both want closure, very much.

13 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** M'hmm.

14 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Like where is she, do
15 you know what I mean?

16 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** M'hmm.

17 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** I'm sure somebody out
18 there knows where she is or what happened to her.

19 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** M'hmm. The family won't
20 have closure, won't have peace, and dealing with the
21 absence.

22 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Not knowing where she is
23 or what she's been through all that time she was gone. Was
24 she really dead and taken away from her kids? I don't
25 think no child should be without a mom, like it could

1 affect them real bad, right?

2 After they got the message saying that his
3 mom died, some years after that, I guess someone was going
4 around saying she was living out here, somewhere near
5 Saskatoon. That's what they'd been hearing, him and my
6 late auntie. Like I guess people were telling them like
7 your mom is still alive, she's somewhere out there. So
8 that's when they came out here looking for her. Like I
9 said, they couldn't find nothing, they couldn't get the
10 certificate, nothing.

11 Even my -- like my Grandma from my mom's
12 side, she used to work at the LTA they call it, like it's a
13 village office kind of thing.

14 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** M'hmm.

15 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Her and the other co-
16 worker said there is no death certificate that they could
17 find so many years after. But today there's nothing. Even
18 I tried to like co on that ancestors.com myself, looking
19 for her. There's no sign of her, there's no information.

20 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** What's the, what's the
21 community of your home?

22 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** La Loche.

23 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** La Loche? I'd better
24 write it down here. And what's the First Nations called?

25 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** The CRDN.

1 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** But we're not true --

2 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Yeah.

3 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** So what Nation do you
4 identify yourself with?

5 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** CRDN.

6 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** But we are fluent
7 Denesuline.

8 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** So that's D-E-N-E,
9 right?

10 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Yes, and S-U-L-I-N-E.

11 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** S-U-L-I-N-E.

12 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** But I'm sure they're
13 fluent Métis people, right?

14 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Us, we don't have no
15 status. That's the reason why we're behind.

16 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Like what's there to
17 tell my kids about my Grandma, right?

18 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** M'hmm.

19 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Nothing about her, no
20 picture, don't know where she is.

21 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** So she was born in 1924?

22 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Yes, that's what it
23 says.

24 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** So for the paperwork
25 someone put Métis. So you have no documents, no -- nothing

1 of description of --

2 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: Nothing, no trace.

3 MR. LAURENCE MOISE: No trace to date.

4 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: And then you wonder
5 why sometimes it was through the hospital.

6 MS. DEANNA JAVIER: It was through the
7 hospital, right? I'm sure --

8 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: And they should have
9 something?

10 MS. DEANNA JAVIER: -- they had something.

11 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: But to date nothing.

12 MS. DEANNA JAVIER: Like information
13 regarding her, like is she really listed? Like I'm sure
14 there was government back in the 1950s, right?

15 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: M'hmm.

16 MS. DEANNA JAVIER: They would have just
17 taken -- brought her back to the family because they took
18 her out of here.

19 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: M'hmm.

20 MS. DEANNA JAVIER: But no, no sign of that.

21 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: And regarding kind of
22 this story, my auntie kind of told me a story. I guess she
23 was out that day. She pick up somebody that was being left
24 out from --

25 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: Can I have you move over

1 so we have it on the camera?

2 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Okay. So back in,
3 back in -- I don't know when, but my auntie had told me at
4 the (inaudible) there was one person, but I kind of forgot
5 her name as right now, but if I ask her I'll know who. But
6 she said she had brought somebody back, they left her out
7 there. So for me, now today, how his mom's gone, for me
8 that kind of tells me that -- and then there's no trace
9 until today, in hospital or that federal or provincial
10 level. So what that means, there's a human trafficking
11 through. So let's look at that, let's look at the big
12 picture first before we can say this and that.

13 That's the reason why I am saying we are
14 fluent Denesuline. And then how could we go under English,
15 you know? I'm not saying this, but that's just a short
16 little story that I'm sharing you, so that you will know
17 you. And where this Inquiry's going to go, I know because
18 I've been doing this for him and my kids. I'm pretty sure
19 they need to see something, closure, at least closure. And
20 then from there how it's going to look for him and my
21 family. Because I'm with her, they'll always be my family
22 so it's going to affect me.

23 Over two years I've been bothering
24 Aboriginal missing women like you. And then over a couple
25 of years, like two, two and a half years, that I've been

1 kind of lending my -- until now. And thank you for that,
2 for taking your time and listening to my father-in-law, my
3 girlfriend and I myself. And I don't know about my, you
4 know my mother-in-law, what she said, but I'm pretty sure
5 she feels something.

6 And all the family that's back home, and
7 we've been traumatized I think, and that's the reason why.
8 Why in the world that we're traumatized? We're in Canada,
9 we should be free, and we should have a stand as to our
10 souls, so that we can have it for our young kids' future.
11 They say at school and everything, so where are we, our
12 status?

13 But one way or the other, I'll always remain
14 because we're indigenous Denesuline, and that will never --
15 they'll never take that from us. Because we believe in
16 Creator, and we go by Creator. And that's where -- that's
17 why we're strong, and that's why he's strong too. Because
18 he's seen what he should have never seen. Until today I
19 feel it. It's -- 66 years is a very long time. We're not
20 garbage, we're human. They say there's human rights.
21 Where is the human rights for us? I thought we were in
22 Canada. We're supposed to be equal. We're not equal.

23 And that's what I want to leave you with,
24 because I know we have a problem right there. And how come
25 no federal and provincial, how come they're not even

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1 speaking on behalf of that right now? Like over two and a
2 half years that I asked the Mayor of the Lodge, his name is
3 Roberts to appear. And he went to him and then he said
4 he's going to come back, and he never did. Until today I
5 even asked him and he told me. And he's the leader. He
6 should be beside him like I am.

7 Why do I -- like I don't have no sense here.
8 I just -- I fix up my van, I said let's go. And sure
9 enough, before I leave (inaudible). Now I've been stuck on
10 the road because of the van, because I fix it just a little
11 while ago. And sure enough we park it there. What
12 happened? We shut the ignition key and everything, died.
13 And now, how do we leave? I met my brother last night and
14 he helped me out just now, before we're starting this.
15 That's how we're suffering, that's how we're going. And
16 the nation knows it. But then they're just ignoring it.
17 Because provincial and federal level and I know that, they
18 know me.

19 But I don't really want to make it that big,
20 because I know there's lots of things that I would say, but
21 I want to leave it to my father-in-law.

22 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** This is an opportunity
23 to share --

24 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Okay.

25 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** -- what you want to

1 share.

2 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: Okay.

3 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: Because it's being
4 recorded --

5 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: Yeah.

6 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: -- video and audio
7 recorded.

8 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: Okay.

9 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: This is your opportunity
10 to share how it affects you.

11 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: Yeah.

12 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: It's like I explained
13 earlier, that there's aftercare available for -- from the
14 Inquiry and from the Federal Government through this
15 project. And there's -- like I explained earlier, there's
16 steps that we need to follow.

17 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: Yeah.

18 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: So this is your
19 opportunity to share what you want to share.

20 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: You know what? To
21 tell the truth we came down here with our kids' money, our
22 family allowance. And we don't have enough money to go
23 back home. They say that they're going to hire a plane for
24 us but which we're not in the McMurray site is today. And
25 we would have come on the plane but we're on the

1 Saskatchewan site, eh? So know anyways, thank you guys for
2 that, I thank you guys for that. Because I've been doing
3 this a lot on my own, and it takes a lot to do these
4 things. And back home where I'm from, nobody speaks like
5 the way I speak. Even the leaders, the Chief, they're like
6 -- when we ask them to do something for us, and it's never
7 been delivered until today. That's the reason why we're
8 behind and we'll always be behind until that day comes.

9 And I'm pretty sure they -- at the federal
10 and provincial level, they know me. I went to Edmonton, I
11 speak on behalf of my people. Before the school shooting
12 in Enoch, everything, know before those kind of things that
13 can happen to us. It should have been confronted. We
14 would have lots of securities like cyber attack and stuff
15 like that, we should have those kinds but right now we
16 don't. And we don't even have a government for ourselves
17 as a Denesuline Nation. That's what you call sovereign, we
18 never sign anything. And they know what I'm talking about.

19 And thank for me and thank for the Creator
20 that told me to do all these things for -- in Canada there
21 should have been four directions, but right now there's
22 only three. Métis First Nation, Inuit, they've got
23 government but we don't. They put us under Métis. That's
24 why we're status-less, we don't have no standing. And
25 nobody doesn't speak out like the way I do. That's the

1 reason why we're behind. And my people back home are
2 suffering too. Just -- there's other, other ladies that's
3 been missing for quite some time too, over 30, 40-some
4 years. That they don't even -- like right now I know
5 nobody doesn't speak about it, the families that have been
6 hurting. One, guy is still alive. Her mom is dead and
7 there's still no trace of her, and there's still nobody
8 that has spoken for her like the way that we're speaking,
9 on behalf of her mother. So that's the reason why we will
10 always be behind.

11 Hopefully that we can get something out of
12 you, you know, so the nation would know, so the nation we
13 can always be side by side. I'm not trying to say this and
14 that, we have to get -- reunite. That's what I'm saying.
15 So that way from there on Canada will be, you know, free.

16 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** So those are -- those
17 sound like they're pretty good recommendations. That was
18 my next question that I wanted to bring forward to you
19 guys, for you guys to share your thoughts --

20 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Yes.

21 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** The Sanatorium, I don't
22 know if I mentioned.

23 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** M'hmm.

24 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** It's still there. You
25 know how we had the (inaudible), that was the old

1 Sanatorium back in the 1950s.

2 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Another thing too.

3 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** That's where they told
4 him that she was sent off.

5 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** And I know for a fact
6 because I've been -- like I'm 41 years old myself. That
7 there has been like '50 Scoop, '60 Scoop, right? Okay, how
8 come those guys got recognition from the Feds eh, and then
9 home come the day school in my community, how come they
10 never brought that out until today. I brought that out to
11 you because they don't normally take it out. So like day
12 school, like a lot of kids -- like back when they were kids
13 like they've been ripped? What do you call that? And how
14 come they never said nothing about those kind of things
15 that was being affected by our grandparents?

16 All these things matters. That's the reason
17 why I'm here. That's the reason why I'm addressing this,
18 so we can be on the right path. Sure, there's a lot of
19 resources we have, and lots, and we shouldn't be on Social
20 Service, we should be with them, like shareholders. We're
21 the locals. So that's -- those kind of things is eating us
22 up, and that's the reason we're being behind over 150
23 years. That's why we're always going to be behind.
24 Because nothing has been done for us.

25 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Are there any other

1 recommendations that you would like to bring forward?

2 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** There's the birth
3 certificate too.

4 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** There's a lot of
5 things.

6 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** And the thing, he does
7 have his birth certificate with his mother's name on there
8 I guess back home. He doesn't have it on him here.

9 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Okay, so sometime in the
10 near future, maybe what you could do is make a copy --

11 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Uh huh.

12 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** -- and we need to get a
13 copy of that.

14 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Yeah.

15 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Just because we need all
16 kinds of paper, you know how the government works, they
17 need paperwork. And I can give you contact information.
18 We're working with a liaison person that works out of
19 Saskatoon here. Her name is Angie Bear, and she works for
20 helping us with this, with this whole initiative. And she
21 would be the -- her and I would be in contact and to be a
22 liaison with you guys and myself, because I'm working out
23 of the province, but I'll be in contact again, or someone
24 will be in contact from the Inquiry. Because this
25 information is very important for the inquiry. This is

1 your opportunity to get your story out and get your
2 recommendations out.

3 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** And then like -- so
4 how can we go back to the, the provincial and federal and
5 ask for their records so that we can make it easier for
6 him?

7 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** We have a department
8 that's called FILU, they're the liaison. They have access
9 and I can connect -- and that's who Angie works for. And
10 they are probably a process that we can engage in, and to
11 try to track down documents.

12 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Yeah.

13 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Yeah.

14 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** And I'm going to put it
15 -- this is a form, I'm going to put it on there, of what
16 list of documents we need. So we need a birth certificate
17 or a record of birth.

18 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** For my Grandma?

19 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Yes.

20 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** I don't think we've got
21 that. The old church was burned down and all those records
22 from way back then, even back in La Loche, I think they
23 just kind of made up people's birth date and all the --

24 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** That's why we have
25 different names, a lot of us.

1 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** We went to the church --
2 we went to the church and to ask for my Grandpa's -- like
3 the birth date and all that. You know they year they gave
4 me? Nineteen thirty-nine is what they told me, like my
5 Grandpa was born. And how can that be when my dad was born
6 in 1948. My Grandpa would have been nine years old, right?

7 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** I know, some of the
8 history of our people is sometimes they weren't registered
9 at birth, they were registered when they were baptized or
10 when they went to school because it was a residential --

11 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** We went to the
12 (inaudible).

13 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** -- because it was a
14 residential --

15 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** On there is says 1912.

16 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Nineteen twelve.

17 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Yeah, so that's
18 between the 40s and 30s that happened.

19 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** That was my Grandpa's
20 birthday.

21 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** So now for me, like
22 the way when I went to the cemetery, when I see his dad, I
23 went to the church myself, me, myself, and they gave me
24 that death certificate, it was 1939. And then a couple of
25 days over -- because I live right beside the cemetery so I

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1 went there. And then I phoned -- it says August 12th,
2 1912. And how can that be?

3 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** August 12th?

4 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Nineteen twelve.

5 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Nineteen twelve.

6 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** And how can that be?

7 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Pierre Marie.

8 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Pierre Marie Moise, was
9 my dad's name.

10 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Your -- can you say that
11 again?

12 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Pierre --

13 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Pierre.

14 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** P-I-E-R-R-E, Marie.

15 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** So you really --

16 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Pierre Marie?

17 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Yeah.

18 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Yeah M-A-R-I-E.

19 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Yeah?

20 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Moise.

21 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** M --

22 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** M-O-I-S-E.

23 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** And so that's your dad?

24 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Yeah.

25 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** Yeah. And that's the

1 husband of my late Grandma.

2 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** So that's the reason
3 that I know if it was around. So that's why I'm saying
4 this, because we need that. We're indigenous and I'll say
5 it once again, I've said it so many times. Because I want
6 us to get the recognition so that we can be side by side,
7 no more fighting, no more suffering, no more indigenous
8 people missing like her, and there's many more. And when
9 you see something -- but no offence, I would see me myself.
10 When there's English people that's been missing they put it
11 on alert. And then when it's our time, no.

12 So what does that mean? How are we going to
13 work together, how? Are we going to be pushed away or are
14 we going to be shaking hands together and make that deal
15 that was supposed to be for us. Where are we? We're
16 nowhere to be found in Canada. And we are supposed to be
17 living free. We've got water, animals, everything. And
18 right now we're paying for houses, everything, and we're
19 the original people and we're not immigrants just like I
20 said. So that things need to be changed around, because
21 there's so much things that's been missing in our culture
22 too.

23 That's the reason why we're affected,
24 because in the indigenous society is God and us, so it's
25 another different way. When we go to the church in

1 Christmas, back then when I was small, it used to be good.
2 Now everything's gone. And now there's (inaudible) and
3 everything, that's going to be affecting us too because
4 it's going to be affecting our kids too. And why does
5 everything has to be -- they had to give us everything
6 that's in a negative way like towards alcohol, everything.
7 And I'm pretty sure they understand the things that I can
8 say, but I'm pretty sure they understand because they
9 always did that.

10 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** They are allowed a birth
11 certificate --

12 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** What he was just
13 saying, like if something happens in the near future by you
14 guys finding out --

15 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** If you guys happen to
16 find her.

17 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Where is she's buried.

18 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** He wants to take her
19 back --

20 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** Back to our hometown.

21 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Closure.

22 **MR. LAURENCE MOISE:** For the grandkids, so
23 they know where is Grandma.

24 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Right now they're
25 missing that over 66 years. So the grandkids needs their

1 Grandma, where they come from. Their roots, eh?

2 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: M'hmm.

3 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: We can't always be
4 going with indigenous roots, you know?

5 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: M'hmm.

6 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: There's a lot of
7 things that we can say today, but I'm pretty sure that we
8 kind of said the things that we need to say to you, and I'm
9 pretty sure -- if you can ask us, maybe I can feedback.

10 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: What was your full name?

11 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: Bobby Montgrand.

12 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: Spell your last name?

13 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: M-O-N-T-G-R-A-N-D.

14 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: I just want to make sure
15 I have the correct spelling of everybody.

16 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: Yes, and that's good.
17 So like the way that we came here today, how do you look at
18 us like when we go to all those things?

19 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: How do I look -- I feel
20 your story is very important for us to relay your message
21 and your story to the Inquiry, to the Commissioners.

22 MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND: Uh huh.

23 MS. BONNIE GEORGE: The Commissioners will
24 take a look at the statements, it'll be transcribed and
25 it'll be given to the lawyers of the Inquiry. And a report

1 will be compiled, and it will be complete before April
2 2019. And from there recommendations will be made, and
3 I'll talk to you further off camera, when you're done
4 sharing your story, about the aftercare.

5 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** M'hmm. And I'll ask
6 you one more thing because like there has been -- I had
7 calls about that Aboriginal missing woman. And that was
8 when, last year? About one year roughly. I even went on
9 there. Until today I never seen no movie of us. I know
10 why, but you never see nothing, and they never got back to
11 me. And they accepted me for that warehouse from north
12 Saskatchewan, they even said that on there. And nothing
13 has been said to me until today. That's only you guys had
14 phoned me, and why is that I wonder.

15 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** M'hmm.

16 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** Can you answer that?
17 Like a movie camera that is supposed to be on us and
18 everything, and we're in Canada, everybody -- like
19 everybody has to be fair to each other, right? Especially
20 the cameraman, it's APTN. And how come they never got back
21 to me.

22 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** I wish I can give you an
23 answer, but the answer I will give you is I'm here now, and
24 I'm documenting your stories, and I will forward it onto
25 the Inquiry with the utmost respect.

1 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** That's what I mean.
2 We're being pushed so long. That's why I'm saying this to
3 you, because it's important. No more pushing, let's be
4 happy. Let us live like humans. I'm pretty sure they know
5 what I'm saying. So I'll leave it there.

6 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Okay. Is there anything
7 else that you would like to say in final or in closing or
8 in anything?

9 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** I think he said that
10 he said everything for himself right now. Maybe afterwards
11 if he -- because when you go back all your thoughts comes
12 to you, while you're travelling or sleeping. Maybe if he
13 still wants to share you some stuff, would it be okay?

14 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** We can, we can be in
15 contact.

16 **MR. BOBBY MONTGRAND:** But I mean like if
17 something is déjà vu, eh? Like if that ever happens to him
18 again, like if he miss some stuff, you know, so like he can
19 contact you just like, you know, we're doing right now?

20 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** I'll provide you with
21 phone numbers after.

22 **MR. BOBBY MONGRAND:** M'hmm, that would be
23 nice.

24 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** And yourself?

25 **MS. DEANNA JAVIER:** I don't know, I just

1 hope they find something. I'd just like to say thank you
2 to you people and yeah, just let us know what you find.

3 **MR. MONTGRAND:** Thank you.

4 **MS. BONNIE GEORGE:** Okay, I'm going to turn
5 this off.

6 --- Upon adjourning.

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