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ADDRESSES THE CURRENT
**SOCIAL
INJUSTICES**



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**OFFICIAL STATEMENT
TO
THE HOUSE OF GOD CHURCH – KEITH DOMINION AND THE NATION**

"GIRDING THE GLOBE WITH GOD'S GRACE AND THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST"

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Matthew 28:19

And he said unto them, go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. Mark 16:15

We are an imperfect people, trying to create a democracy of justice and freedom for all within a union of states still grappling with the sins of its past and the costly consequences of those sins. Our Country, indeed, our world and mankind are at an historic crossroad. A decision must be made to always proclaim truth, continuously seek justice, sincerely pursue peace, with humility, care for the least among us and speak boldly against all forms of violence. The House Of God Church – Keith Dominion firmly believes the remedy for a sick and hurt nation is found in 2 Chronicles 7:14, "If my people, who are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and forgive their sin and will heal their land."

The House of God Church remains saddened, disturbed, and pained by the unjustifiable violence, killings and brutality inflicted by law enforcement and others on our black communities. It is unacceptable and egregious, and we demand an immediate end. We believe and firmly teach the dignity, value, and sanctity of all human life. The church is opposed to any policy, practice, proclamation, or law that unjustly or indiscriminately ends any human life.

Moreover, The House of God Church opposes the destruction, vandalism and looting of properties under any circumstances. We endorse and support peaceful and non-violent protest as a constitutionally protected form of expression and free speech. We do not condone verbal threats, agitation, violent or physical altercation for any reason. We believe honest communication and peaceful reasoning will appeal to the better angels of man's spirit and lead to a just conclusion. Only love can conquer hate, and only peaceful discourse will lead to a lasting understanding.

The church also maintains that all levels of federal, state, and local governments and all community based advocacy groups must be held to a high standard of accountability for securing, promoting and protecting the safety, rights and well-being of all citizens regardless of ethnicity, age, social/economic status or religion. The shadows of slavery, Jim Crow laws, and all forms of racial discrimination that were cast 401 years ago, still darken our existence and eclipse our communities. It is tragic and a violation of the commandments of God.

As a church, let us continue to pray for our nation. Our faith energizes our hope that by God's mercies our country will break the chains of racial discrimination and racial superiority, unbridled violence, unprecedented poverty, unnecessary homelessness and provide health care to all her citizens. When our Nation does this, the United States of America will be a Country living the values it was founded on – **“One nation, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.”**

To the church-at-large, I encourage you to abide by the principles outlined herein as you exercise your right to protest peacefully and non-violently. In addition, I admonish you to be aware of the ongoing **COVID-19** pandemic crisis

impacting our country and follow all announced health and safety protocols to protect one's self, family, church, and fellow citizens.

Let us pray for all families grieving their losses due to **COVID-19**, and the horrific acts of violence and injustice.

May the Peace of God be with us!

In the Lord's Service,

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