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The National Black Church Initiative Launches A \$350,000.00 Campaign To Help Protect Christians Being Persecuted Around The World

NBCI wants to help all persecuted Christians

Washington, DC – The National Black Church Initiative (NBCI), a faith-based coalition of 34,000 Churches comprised of 15 denominations and 15.7 million African Americans, has launched a \$350,000.00 campaign to help protect Christians who are being persecuted around the world. The money will be used for launching a media campaign here in the United States and aiding other Christian groups around the world, especially in the Middle East, who are defending their rights as religious people and the Gospel according to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We cannot back down at this moment in history.

The National Black Church Initiative has a long history of speaking out against the persecution of Christians around the world and especially those in the Middle East including: Iraq, Qatar, Egypt, Syria, Iran and Yemen.

Rev. Anthony Evans, President of the National Black Church Initiative says, "We need these funds, to help create a network of Christian Organizations worldwide who will stand up for those who suffer at the hands of the radical element of the Muslim faith. Look what happened in Egypt, look what happened in Qatar, look what happened in Iraq and Syria. They are striking at the heart of the Christian faith. The Bible teaches us that there is a cost to discipleship and it warns that it may cost our lives. But, that does not mean that we should sit back and accept it."

Recently the National Black Church Initiative launched an intensive protest in from of the Embassy of Qatar in Washington. Rev. Anthony Evans, the president of NBCI, spoke against religious intolerance in Qatar and demanded that the country stop mistreating Christians. The reverend opened the speech he gave during the demonstration with a prayer highlighting the plight of Middle East Christians.

"We appeal to the governments of Qatar, of Iraq, of Egypt, of Yemen, and all who would harm the Christian church not to do so. We seek peace, not violence in his holy name, Amen," prayed Rev. Evans.

Raheem Kassam also spoke during the protest, calling Qatar a "Club Med for terrorists," the publication reported. Kassam also blasted Qatar for supporting terror and persecuting Christians.

"They have no shame about it," he added.

Echoing Kassam, Jim Hanson, an activist and author who served in the U.S. Army, told the crowd Qatar is "shameless" about backing Islamic terrorism.

We also acknowledge and decry increases in intolerance against Muslims. Just as it is important that we be concerned not to allow the defense of Christians to serve as a cover for the agenda of the war-hawks, we must also not allow it to degenerate into Muslim-bashing.

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ABOUT NBCI

The National Black Church Initiative (NBCI) is a coalition of 34,000 African American and Latino Churches working to eradicate racial disparities in healthcare, technology, education, housing, and the environment. NBCI's mission is to provide critical wellness information to all its members, congregants, Churches and the public. Our methodology is utilizing faith and sound health science.

NBCI's purpose is to partner with major organizations and officials whose main mission is to reduce racial disparities in the variety of areas cited above. NBCI offers faith-based, out-of-the-box and cutting-edge solutions to stubborn economic and social issues. NBCI's programs are governed by credible statistical analysis, science based strategies and techniques, and methods that work. Visit our website at www.naltBlackChurch.com.