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Christ Living Ministry's Activities are in No Way Reflecting the Use of DCBCI Non-Profit Status

Washington, DC – The recent political battle between local Church leadership and the DC City Council over the recognition of same sex marriage from other states clearly reflects a difference of opinion as well as interpretation of what constitutes the definition of marriage. The Church has a moral right to protect its theological framework from any encroachment upon the state. Christ Living Ministry along with 350 churches joined in opposition to the city council passing a law recognizing same sex marriage from other states. Christ Living Ministry is a ministry and does not enjoy 501-(C) status. Any activities initiated or joined by Christ Living Ministry are solely bound to its ministry and does not reflect any legal relationship that its employees are engaged into.

Rev. Anthony Evans is an employee of the District of Columbia Black Church Initiative and also serves as President of the National Black Church Initiative. Rev. Evans, as a matter of personal policy and adherence to the policy of DCBCI and NBCI, in no way linked these two organizations with his own ministry, Christ Living Ministry, and what it stands for. Therefore, the activities that govern Christ Living Ministry do not have any legal ties to either DCBCI or NBCI in any shape or form. Christ Living Ministry exercises its constitutional right as a ministry that has no connection to state rules or regulations in form of tax status. Therefore its activity is solely the purpose of the ministry which Rev. Evans heads.

Therefore any perceived political actions by Christ Living Ministry are the sole purpose or activity of Christ Living Ministry and does not reflect any of these actions upon Rev. Evan's current employer. Both organizations are separate in staff, finances and every other means.

Ms. Debbie Bagley, Chair of the Board of Directors of both DCBCI and NBCI states, "Christ Living Ministry does not have any ties to DCBCI or NBCI. Rev. Evans knows that he is forbidden under the bylaws of our organization to link budget, staff and especially our tax exempt status in any shape or form to Christ Living Ministry's activities. This is forbidden and Rev. Evans to date has never comingled any resources or use of tax exempt status to Christ

Living Ministry. The board of directors is satisfied that there is no relationship whatsoever with Christ Living Ministry and therefore supports Rev. Evans in his first amendment right in exercising his freedom of speech to do whatever he feels necessary under Christ Living Ministry.”

Christ Living Ministry is an Evangelistic ministry dedicated to spreading the Gospel according to Jesus Christ and also serve as a charitable arm to those who are in need of food, clothing and other essential needs.