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NBCI President, Rev. Anthony Evans Calls The Verdict in the Trayvon Martin Case a License to Freely Kill Young Black Boys

The Defense Painted Trayvon as a Thug

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 churchgoers. We are outraged concerning this verdict. The verdict gives a license to every white male who feels threatened by a young black boy to kill them. Not only are white males killing black boys but Latinos (George Zimmerman) feels free to kill our black boys as well. The verdict leaves this nation at a moral crossroad. We have to decide as a society if we are going to allow black boys to be counted as children of God who are worthy of human dignity.

The defense team successfully painted Trayvon Martin as a young thug, thus justifying this society to continue the lynching of all black males. The jury who rendered this decision is void of moral decency and what they have said that their children count but black children do not count. Five of the six jurors have children but they had no love in their hearts for black children. It seems as if the whole world despises and hates black people. We cannot find any justice in the jury system or even in the dark allies of America.

The Rev. Anthony Evans, President of the National Black Church Initiative declares “The church wants to make it very clear that we will not tolerate any violence at the end of this trial from any community – justified our not.

Our purpose is to lead people to God through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is not to seek revenge. This is why we urge everyone to pray for justice in this case and to pray for the soul of our nation --if this young black boy is found guilty of being a young black boy in America. Our young black boys must not believe that someone (white) will kill them for being a young black boy. There cannot be any justice until you secure the peace. In this case there was no justice so there will be no peace.”

About NBCI

The National Black Church Initiative (NBCI) is a coalition of 34,000 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 of its members, congregants, churches and the public. 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.