

# National Black Church Initiative

P.O. Box 65177  
Washington, DC 20035  
202-744-0184  
[dcbei2002@gmail.com](mailto:dcbei2002@gmail.com)  
[www.naltblackchurch.com](http://www.naltblackchurch.com)

Contact:

Rev. Anthony Evans  
202-744-0184

April 9, 2017  
**For Immediate Release**

## **National Black Church Initiative Issues A Stern Warning To Attorney General Sessions And The National Fraternal Order Of Police Over Police Consent Decrees... *Justice Will Prevail***

*Not too fast FOP*

**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, sternly warns Attorney General Sessions, the National Fraternal Order of Police and local Police Departments across the country that we will not allow a dumbing down or a watering down of the already weak Consent Decree reached under the paper tiger of Barack Obama’s Justice Department. Our public stance in the past has made it abundantly clear that we will use the nth of moral force to make sure that every single Police Department lives up to those Consent Decrees. We will never allow you or the National Fraternal Order of Police to cheapen the lives of Black people in this country period!

Rev. Anthony Evans, President of the National Black Church Initiative declares, “We would like to let the attorney general know that it is imperative that he find common ground with the Black Church as we move forward in what we believe is a highly volatile atmosphere where police will be considered the villain and not the good person. The Black Church in its finer traditions will use all of its moral authority to help our police become America’s finest. But if they shoot us indiscriminately, steal, lie and break the law themselves then the Church will have nothing for them other than our prayers, because as the law will throw them in jail we will throw the moral book at them. But, if they are sincere and they live and treat others humanely, and they do everything in their being to help humanity we will be the first organization to protect their human dignity. Let there be no mistake about it, if they try to water down any of the Consent Decrees we have an arsenal of 6 moral weapons at our finger tips to be employed and we are not afraid to use them on behalf of all humanity. That includes the police and those who love them. If they choose to make the Black community a target then we and God will make them a target.”

The National Black Church Initiative two years ago has appointed a Minister in the 14 Police and Sheriff Department Consent Decrees across the country in Albuquerque, Cleveland, East Haven, Connecticut, Ferguson, Missouri, Los Angeles County (Antelope Valley), Maricopa County, Arizona, Meridian, Mississippi, New Orleans, Newark, Portland, Oregon, Puerto Rico, Seattle, the Virgin Islands and Warren, Ohio, in the 4 out of court agreements in Alamance County, North Carolina, Miami, Suffolk County, New York and Yonkers, New York and in the 6 open and continuous investigations in Baltimore, Chicago, Ville Platte, Los Angeles, Orange County, California., D.A, Orange County California., Sheriff and Evangeline Parish, Los Angeles.

This is how we know that the National Fraternal Order of Police, NOBLE, Amherst Police Club, Arizona Corrections Association, Arizona Conference of Police and Sheriffs, Association of Santa Clara County, Boston Police Patrolmen's Association Inc., Boston Police Superior Officers Federation, Bureau of Justice Statistics, Calibre Press, Captains Endowment Association of the NYPD, Careers in Criminal Justice, Center for Domestic Preparedness - Homeland Security, Chandler Law Enforcement Association, Chicago Police Association of Nevada, City of Hollywood Police Officers' Retirement System, City of Poughkeepsie PBA, Save Time and Money on Your Criminal Justice Education!, Combined Law Enforcement Association of Texas (CLEAT), Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc., Concord Police Patrolmen's Association, Concord Police Patrolmen's Association Dade County PBA, Cops and Firefighters in Business, Inc., Cheektowaga Police Club, Clark County Deputy Sheriff Guild, Criminal Justice School Info, Dade County PBA, Dallas Police Association, Defending Childhood Initiative of the U.S. DOJ, Detectives' Endowment Association of New York City FDLE Agents Association/Fla PBA, Detroit Police Officers Association, Detroit Police Lieutenants & Sergeants Association, Drive for Life: The National Safe Driving Test & Initiative, Drug Enforcement Administration, East Hampton Town PBA, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Freedom Award, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Federal Flight Deck Officers Association, Florida Police Benevolent Association, Fort Worth Police Officers Association, Freeport P.B.A, Fremont Police Association, Friends of Safe Schools, Go Law Enforcement (Jobs), Goodyear Police Officers Association, Greenburgh Police Association, Greece Police Uniformed Patrolmen's Association, IBPO, International Conference of Police Chaplains, Iowa State Police Association, Keene Police Officer's Association, Law Enforcement Forum, Las Vegas Police Managers and Supervisors

Association, Las Vegas Police Protective Association, Las Vegas Police Protective Association Metro, Inc., Law Enforcement Jobs, Longmont Police Officer's Association, Lynbrook Police, Benevolent Association, Massachusetts Coalition of Police Mesa Police Association, Mesa Police Association, Monroe County Sheriff PBA, Nassau County Detectives Association, Nassau County PBA, Nassau Police Conference, National Burglar & Fire Alarm Association, National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, National Criminal Justice Reference Services (NCJRS), National Institute of Justice, National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund, Nationwide Retirement Solutions, NJ Lawman, NYPD Football Team, Newark Police Superior Officers' Association, New Bedford Police Union, New Hampshire Police Association, New Jersey State Policemen's Benevolent Association, New York City Lieutenants Benevolent Association, NYC PBA, New York State Troopers PBA, North Las Vegas Police Officers Association, Ohio Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, Old Brookville PBA, Palm Beach County PBA, Patrolman's Benevolent Association of Southampton Town, Peace Officers Research Association of Nevada (PORAN), Phoenix Law Enforcement Association, Police Association of New Orleans, Police Benevolent Association Of Hempstead, Police Conference of New York, Policemen's Benevolent & Protective Association of Illinois, Police Officers Labor Council (POLC), Police One, Port Authority PBA, Port Authority Detectives Endowment Association, Portland Police Association, Port Washington Police Benevolent Association, Postal Police Officers Association, Project54, Protection 911, Queensland Police Union of Employees, Riverhead, NY PBA, Rochester Police Locust Club, Rockville Centre Police Benevolent Association, San Antonio Police Officers' Association, Retired Heroes, State of Hawaii Organization of Police Officers, St. Louis Police Leadership Organization, Stamford Police Association, Suffolk County Detectives Association, Suffolk County Deputy Sheriff's Police Benevolent Association, Suffolk County PBA, Suffolk County Police Conference, Suffolk County Superior Officers Association, Suicide Prevention Lifeline Treasury Department, Suicide Prevention Lifeline Treasury Department, Superior Officers Association - Police Department of Nassau County, True Blue Flu Awareness and Treatment for Law Enforcement Professionals for Drug and Alcohol Abuse, TrueCopStories.com, United Public Service Employees Union | C.O.P.S. Division, U.S. Marshals Service, Washington State Troopers Association, Watertown Police Benevolent Association, West Seneca PBA, Wisconsin Professional Police Association Yorktown PBA, Yorktown PBA and others are not in the best interests of the Black community because, when the attorney general proposed such an outrageous review they did not speak up for the sake of justice and decency. They simply held their racial tongue.

The Rev. Anthony Evans was present at the confirmation hearing of the attorney general and saw firsthand how the quid pro quo happens. The president of the Fraternal Order of Police, Chuck Canterbury was there to testify in favor of the attorney general's confirmation and as a payback for Mr. Canterbury's favorable testimony the Justice Department tries to roll back the Consent Decrees. We should let them know that the National Black Church Initiative hears everything and sees everything and was not going to allow this quid pro quo to occur. That we have Ministers across this country watching everything the police do and we will not be too shy to support them in any way we can including a lawsuit against their behavior. And this goes for Black policemen too, a police is a police.

## **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 of 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](http://www.naltblackchurch.com).