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Statement from the African American Fellowship of Texas on the killing of Mr. George Floyd

As a Christ-centered, Bible-believing organization, we are compelled to speak out in support of those non-violent demonstrations regarding the killing of Mr. George Floyd. This was a senseless, unnecessary act of violence against a human being. This man was clearly subdued, with his hands handcuffed behind his back, as he gasped for air, saying repeatedly, "I can't breathe!"

This act of murder demands justice! And we want the country to know that we stand in support of all non-violent demonstrations to move this country to action regarding the killing of black men and women at the hands of our police force.

We also call upon all Christian-based organizations to break the bonds of silence regarding this issue. We call upon you to speak up and make your voices heard. This is a crime against humanity, and we cannot remain silent and allow these crimes to continue in the greatest country in the world. "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." Edmund Burke (1729-1797)

Christians! Stand-up in support of non-violent demonstrations. Talk with your local mayor, your local police chief and let it be known that actions such as the killing of George Floyd will not be acceptable, nor tolerated in your city.

We want to support our local police, pray for them, and encourage them; but we want to also remind them that they are here to “serve and protect.” We want a relationship with our local police consistent with the teaching of the Bible. “The authorities that exist are appointed by God...For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to evil.” (Romans 13:1,3 NKJV) So, we support our police and appreciate their service. Yet we will not support police that break the laws they are sworn to uphold.

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