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The National Black Church Initiative Backs Tony Dungy's Remarks

We Will Not Bend to This Culture

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, stands behind Tony Dungy in his remarks regarding Michael Sam. NBCI remains steadfast in its support of Dungy's decision to take the Christian higher ground and not bending to popular political correctness.

Dungy's remarks regarding Michael Sam's drafting came from the perspective of a coach. They were appropriate and noncontroversial. Tony Dungy is a Christian, whose underlying faith foundation cannot support Baal and God. Christians must choose which code of ethics to abide by. Tony Dungy, like NBCI's 34,000 churches, follows the ethics and teachings of Jesus.

Rev. Anthony Evans, NBCI President says, "I am astonished that a society spending billions to fight bullying is willing to put undue pressure on Christians, admonishing them if they do not believe what the vocal minority preaches. Tony Dungy has a right to air his views on any player and judge that player from his theological disposition. Culture cannot have it both ways. They cannot bully us to accept homosexuality and at the same time acknowledge that the church is a pillar of society. We hate no one because we love Christ more."

NBCI will not apologize for its faith, though it is different from the cultural acceptance of homosexuality. The Christian faith does not follow culture. It has its own, called the Christian Culture. Our faith teaches us that homosexuality is inconsistent with the ethics and teachings of Jesus.

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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 of its members, congregants, churches and the public. The National Black Church Initiative's methodology is utilizing faith and sound health science. Visit our website www.naltblackchurch.com.