

THE NHCLC STANDS WITH OUR AFRICAN AMERICAN BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN A CALL FOR JUSTICE AND REFORM

Sacramento – Today, the president of the National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference, Rev. Samuel Rodriguez, issues the following statement. He is joined by national Christian leaders, Jentezen Franklin, Billy Wilson, Israel Houghton, Matt Crouch, Doug Beacham, Tim Hill, Marcus Lamb, Chris Hodges, and many others.

“The National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference joins with Christian leaders throughout the United States to stand with our African American brothers and sisters during this critical time in America's history.

“We come together for the purpose of confronting once again the giant of bigotry and racism with the stones of righteousness and justice. This giant of racism must come down!

“Silence is not an option. Complacency makes us complicit.

“I call upon my fellow Christian leaders to join us in a call for justice and reform. Our call for justice is for George Floyd, Ahmed Arbery, and others like them, but our call for reform is an acknowledgement that that we have yet to thoroughly root out vestiges of bigotry and racism that hinder and obstruct truth between our communities of color and those who claim to serve and to protect them. These systemic injustices must be addressed; they must be purged from our system, once-and-for-all.

“Trust must be forged between the African American community, all communities of color, and those in authority. As Christian leaders we must do our part recognizing the truth and demonstrating our love in solidarity and in action.

“We issue this call from the center, not the political center, but from the prophetic center where righteousness and justice, grace and truth meet in order to bring peace to all those human beings made equally in the image of God.”

Samuel Rodriguez

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