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GHANA CHARISMATIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE

WE WILL RESIST THE PROPAGATION OF HOMOSEXUALITY IN GHANA THROUGH EDUCATION

The Ghana Charismatic Bishops Conference has noted with grave concern the Comprehensive Sexual Education curriculum that the Ghana Education Service intends to roll out across schools in Ghana, from the next academic year. We have learnt that teachers across our schools have now been trained on the Comprehensive Sexuality Education curriculum. The values, morals and norms of this curriculum are an affront to our values as Christians and Ghanaians. We reject its roll out in our schools, and suggest the Government withdraws this curriculum immediately.

We, the Ghana Charismatic Bishops' Conference, will like to state that we do not support the new curriculum as it is a poor response to the challenges of our young people. Such drastic sexual education curricula around the world has not produced more responsible and balanced youth. On the other hand, in spite of this sexual education curricula, we continue to be inundated with a crisis among our young people. Globally, educators have come out in force against this curriculum and the warped sexual education and its sexual influences, against the traditional values preferred by parents. This curriculum and the values it espouses, will only result in some of the most sorry situations for the youth of this country.

As we demand for the withdrawal of the Comprehensive Sexual Education from Ghanaian schools, we put forward the following:

- i. The Comprehensive Sexual Education curriculum does not show any respect to the cultural settings, beliefs and practices of the country. Overwhelmingly all of Ghana's indigenous norms frown on these teachings on sex, abortions, different ideas of what a man is, and what a woman is. We do not agree that our Christian values and traditions should be ignored for this curriculum to be rolled out. Around the world, family-oriented organisations and educationists have raised alarm about the dangers that these teachings pose to our traditional family values.
- ii. The Comprehensive Sexual Education curriculum introduces concepts of sexuality, 'maleness', 'femaleness', and relationships which Ghanaian parents find bad training for children as young as 4 years. Training them according to this curriculum does not emphasize the values and behaviors that Christians and Ghanaians approve of. We therefore totally and absolutely reject this curriculum and are completely opposed to any government or institution that seeks to promote such concepts.
- iii. We have in the past called on the Government to roll-out a new O & A Level Curriculum to replace this deficient Basic Education Certificate Examinations and West Africa Senior Secondary Certificate Examinations. Amazingly, this call by the Charismatic Bishops' Conference has not been heeded at all. We find it profoundly disappointing that the same government which will not heed to calls to improve the curriculum and upgrade the educational system to the O & A Levels, will rather devote resources to roll out the abhorrent Comprehensive Sexual Education curriculum.
- iv. We are aware that Western governments, in the name of human rights, are seeking to spread the homosexual lifestyle and culture around the world. The Ghana Charismatic Bishops' Conference can see through these subtle attempts to superimpose on Ghana the spirit that destroyed the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. The Ghana Charismatic Bishops Conference, using whatever means it has at its disposal, will firmly and openly oppose any government or institution that seeks to introduce and propagate the homosexual lifestyle and culture in our nation.
- v. May God bless our homeland Ghana and make us great and strong!

The Ghana Charismatic Bishops' Conference

The Ghana Charismatic Bishops' Conference is a powerful body made up of Bishops of several different charismatic denominations in Ghana. Today, its membership is made of over 100 bishops located in every single region of Ghana.

A Bishop is a most senior and revered person among the clergy and is an overseer of several churches. Consequently, 4000 churches yield to the authority of this powerful conference. The Ghana Charismatic Bishops' Conference has a widespread influence in Ghana and holds sway over no less than 1 million Ghanaian Christians.

The Ghana Charismatic Bishops' Conference founded some years ago by Dag Heward-Mills, intercedes and prays constantly for the nation Ghana and also speaks prophetically into national matters.

The current chairman of this conference is Bishop Kwame Yirekyi Ampofo.

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