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Human Rights for Ethiopians in the Next Millennium

The AJC started as an ethnically focused organization to protect the needs of the Anuak following the massacre of 424 Anuak in December of 2003. Since that time, the AJC has broadened its vision to include other Ethiopians, believing that justice will never come to the Anuak unless justice comes to all Ethiopians.

It is time for the AJC to further expand its mission by actively partnering with others in a new effort to advance human rights in Ethiopia. Come and hear the **New Grand Strategy for a New Ethiopia** where the God-given human rights of the people are respected and upheld in this new millennium.

Mr. Obang Metho, Director of International Advocacy for the AJC, and other invited human rights activists from many of the diverse backgrounds within our country, will speak about how to break down ethnic divisions and how to replace them with new relationships built on trust and respect in order to further common goals.

This discussion will not be about politics or about who should lead Ethiopia, but instead it will be about accepting one another as equals, all created in God's image. It is about how to work together and how to live justly as God-fearing citizens in a society where humanity is put before ethnicity and where no one is above the law. This is about showing compassion with actions, not only words, when we see the suffering of others around us.

It is about doing so before we first ask them their ethnicity, religion, sex or background. This is about creating a foundation of inclusiveness where everyone is welcome at the table. This is about reviving the soul of Ethiopia as we people have forgotten our own common humanity. No longer can Anuak advocate for only Anuak or Oromo for only Oromo or Ogadenis for only Ogadenis and so forth. Instead, we invite all Ethiopians to come to give your support to the formation of this new united human rights movement.

Invited guests include representatives from: Afar, Oromo, Beninshangul, Tigray, Amhara, Ogaden, Southern Nations and certainly our women.

We especially want those from other ethnic groups from which we have not heard from, to contact us.

Betrayal of Democracy: Ethiopia, a riveting and revealing documentary film depicting the deepening crisis of democracy in Ethiopia under the current EPRDF government of Prime Minister Meles Zenawi. A must-see film for all concerned about the alarming state of affairs in this strategic country in the Horn of Africa.

Date- November 17, 2007

Place- 1610 Columbia Rd NW, Washington

Time- 4:00 pm

Donation \$ 20.00

Proceeds will support the Anuak Justice Council. For more information, call (703) 462-1694 or (306) 933-4346

FUND RAISING FOR THE ANUAK JUSTICE COUNCIL

BACKGROUND

The Anuak Justice Council has now been working for justice, freedom, peace and equality for over three years, starting with the Anuak, but then broadening our mission to include all Ethiopians as we have become convinced that until justice comes to all of Ethiopia, real justice will not come to the Anuak or any others.

Let us join hands in support of justice.

We, in the AJC, do have a vision for the future and are willing to work in unity with other freedom-loving Ethiopians to accomplish and sustain it, but in order for us to continue, we must ask others who admire the work of the AJC to share with us in the financial burdens if we are going to proceed ahead without serious interruption. This is a critical time in the struggle for freedom and democracy and yet, without such concrete action—financial support—behind these words of support, our work will be significantly impeded.

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We would like to thank the group in Washington DC for initiating this event. We would also like to thank those who have shown a sacrificial commitment to helping our fellow Ethiopians to escape from the ongoing suffering and oppression that they are enduring during this dark period of Ethiopian history.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Buy a ticket or send your contributions directly to AJC (Anuak Justice Council) at: www.anuakjustice.org

Or send check or money order payable to AJC: Those who contribute will receive a tax-deductible receipt of your contribution.

Location: Unification Church of Washington 1610 Columbia Rd NW, Washington – Phone: (202) 462-5700 Date: Saturday November 17, 2007. Time: 4pm to 8pm.

Donation: \$20.