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STATEMENT ON THE SHAKAHOLA CULT AT GOOD NEWS INTERNATIONAL CHURCH – KILIFI COUNTY, KENYA

“3For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. 4 They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths” (2 Timothy 4:3-4.)

The General Committee of the All Africa Conference of Churches (AACC), meeting between 3rd and 5th May 2023 in Nairobi – Kenya, condemns in the strongest possible way Mr. Paul Mackenzie’s alleged actions, which have led to unimaginable loss of lives of so many unsuspecting people of Kenya. It is even more heartbreaking that he used the Word of God to lie to people by indoctrinating them to starve to death, including innocent children. Sadly, there are a number of other people throughout Africa who like Mr. Mackenzie use the bible to prey on the faith of Christian believers, steal from them, and mislead them into practices that threaten their wellbeing and that of their families.

It is in response to this reality that the AACC has for the last four years been conducting continental Symposia on Misleading Theologies, and supporting the propagation of correct and sound doctrines that enable Christians to experience the abundant life that Christ gives to all (Titus 1:9).

We call upon Mr. Mackenzie as well as other self-proclaimed preachers, false prophets among other people who use religion to steal, kill and destroy (John 10:10a) to repent and take accountability for their actions.

We, Therefore:

1. Commend the actions taken by the Government of Kenya to treat Mr. Mackenzie as a high-core criminal.
2. Call on other African Governments to fulfill their role as protectors of lives, even from evil people who hide under the cover of religion to harm others and propagate crimes.
3. Affirm that the church’s participation in God’s mission to the world should protect the sanctity of human life, promote the welfare of human beings and protect their dignity as equal bearers of God’s image.
4. We urge Christian believers to beware of false prophets, who pretend to act with God’s authority yet they are seeking after own selfish interests.
5. We pray for the victims to get justice, heal and those dead to rest in the eternal peace.

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