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### **The House of God Church Addresses Misleading Claims Regarding South Florida Properties and Governance**

**NASHVILLE, TN** — The House of God Church – Keith Dominion issues the following official statement in response to a recently circulated AI-generated video containing inaccurate, misleading, and speculative claims regarding church governance, property matters, and leadership related to South Florida locations.

The House of God Church remains steadfast in its commitment to truth, transparency, order, and biblical governance. The Church affirms that its current reporting and documentation practices reflect the highest level of transparency in its 123-year history.

#### **Clarification of Claims**

The video in question asserts that its content is “not rumor or speculation.” However, the claims presented in the video are largely false and misrepresent key facts. The Church offers the following clarifications:

#### **Property Transactions and Legal Standing**

- A total of six (6) properties were designated for sale, not five.
- Five (5) of those were church properties and one (1) was residential.
- Three (3) of those congregations voluntarily merged into the newly established House of God Church of South Florida, which officially opened on August 17, 2025, in Pompano Beach, Florida.
- The former pastor of Dania and a former deacon of West Hollywood filed legal actions to delay closing. These filings were made one day prior to closing and represent the first legal challenge in these matters.
- To date, the court has indicated there is no evidence supporting any ownership claim by any individual or entity other than The House of God Church – Keith Dominion.

## **Governance and Decision-Making**

- Joint sessions of the Supreme Executive Council and General Trustee Board convened multiple times regarding these matters.
- On September 19, 2025, members from both bodies unanimously approved proceeding with the property sales.
- Trustees serve as representatives of the Church body and are appointed by the Chief Overseer, who holds appointing authority.
- In certain circumstances, including the absence of local leadership, the Chief Overseer may act in the capacity of trustee.
- All councils and boards function in an advisory capacity within a hierarchical governance structure affirmed by the Church Constitution and recognized under U.S. law.

## **Congregational Engagement and Transparency**

- All relevant stakeholders, including bishops, pastors, trustees, and members, were provided with advance notice.
- Pastors of each congregation acknowledged and agreed to the sales prior to further proceedings.
- Multiple meetings were conducted beginning in early 2025, and recordings of those meetings are part of the official record.
- Documentation is maintained and accessible through the Church's governing bodies and applicable court records.

## **Historical Practice and Financial Structure**

- The purchase and sale of church properties has been a standard practice within the organization since 1903.
- Financial allocations from property transactions follow an established structure after expenses, including distributions to the local congregation (1/3), diocese (1/3), and national church (1/3).

## **Facilities and Stewardship**

- Certain properties were sold to prevent further deterioration, including structural deficiencies, significant foundation damage, and ongoing maintenance issues. Every property had tens of thousands of dollars in immediate needed repair. Each of the affected congregations had reached their lowest weekly and annual attendance in decades. Each of the congregations were facing very difficult financial decisions that dramatically reduced viability and sustainability.

## **Leadership Structure**

- Claims that the Chief Overseer operates under the authority of the Supreme Executive Council or General Assembly are incorrect.
- In accordance with the Church's Constitution and General Decree, the Chief Overseer serves as the chief servant and governing authority, with all councils operating in an advisory role.
- The position of Chief Overseer is a lifetime ("perpetual") appointment.

## **Residence Acquisition**

- The acquisition of a residence for organizational use in 2025 was introduced by the former Risk Assessment and Management leader of the church. That proposal was unanimously approved by members of the Supreme Executive Council and General Trustee Board at 10:00 A.M. E.T. November 13, 2025.
- All such properties are owned by the Church and serve operational purposes within its global structure.

## **Disciplinary Actions**

- Bishop Martha Jean Thomas has been formally suspended following a review by a board of bishops. That recommendation was accepted and enacted by the Chief Overseer.
- Mr. Eurges James Lucas is no longer affiliated with The House of God Church – Keith Dominion and is not recognized as a credentialed minister within the organization.

## **Closing Statement**

The House of God Church remains committed to integrity, unity, and responsible stewardship. The Church continues to advance its mission through strategic growth, including initiatives such as Elevate North Nashville and the upcoming 2026 General Assembly in Nashville, Tennessee.

As with any organization engaged in meaningful work, progress may be accompanied by misunderstanding or misrepresentation. The Church encourages members of the public to rely on verified information and official communications.

The House of God Church remains a place where *"the redeemed of the Lord shall say so."*

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