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**ATM CALLS ON ALL DENOMINATIONS TO DECLARE THIS EASTER, AN
EASTER OF SACRIFICE, HOLISTIC LIBERATION AND ACTIVE CITIZENRY.**

Christian scholars have often interpreted the Biblical accounts of this time as the epitome of spiritual and physical embodiment of the struggles of mankind by another. This, as according to mainstream scholars is a concept that is anchored on a necessary sacrifice for the redemption of mankind.

The ATM views this main stream understanding as a clarion call, for not only spiritual awakening or realignment, but also a call inline with holistic liberation and growth, which includes physical, psychological, social, socio economic and spiritual growth as outlined in the growth model of Luke 2:52.

ATM views this as a call for the creation of an enabling environment that is consistent with the vision of holistic growth as outlined in the given scriptures.

Statistical reports reveal that 86% of the population of this country subscribes to the Christian school of thought. This then, by implication means that Christians since the dawn of democracy, whether through active or passive participation, have or can always decide the succession and salvation plan for this country.

It is therefore the view of the ATM that Christians must also be deliberate about the program of saving this country from those who like thieves in the night, come to steal, destroy and kill our future and that of generations to come.

It is for these reasons that the ATM is calling on all Christian denominations this weekend, to pray for this country and purposely take a decision to liberate this country from further decay at the hands of those who call themselves our liberators.

Christians can no longer outsource the dominion given to mankind as if not part of the human race. Christians can no longer afford to point fingers for the rot that has poisoned our society and be exempted from accounting, when instead of advocating for the right, Christians, like other denominations, have since taken a back sit whilst the country was and is being sold to the highest bidder.

The current generation of Christians must account for the role played or lack thereof, in saving this country holistically from eternal doom.

As it was during the dark days of apartheid, when Christian denominations played a pivotal role in the liberation of a black man, the ATM calls on all faith groups to join the cause to save our only country from eternal demise.



The ATM calls on the current generation of religious leaders to speak out, like the prophets of old against injustice, maladministration, crime, corruption, moral degeneration, brutality, rape, killings in our society and many other social ills. This must be done so that the next generations may inherit a South Africa that is better than the present, because of the interventions of the men and women of the cloth and the congregations they lead.

ATM wishes all members of the Christian Faith a happy and a blessed Easter Holiday.

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