

WHITE OUT CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE WEAR WHITE ON APRIL 30

Dear Pastor:

April is Child Abuse Awareness Month and we are asking you to partner with VOICE today to make your congregation aware of the **Child Sexual Abuse**

epidemic. Tragically 1 in 4 girls and 1 in 6 boys are sexually abused by age 18, the median age is 9 years old, and only 1 in 10 ever tell. Jesus is specific in His own words that we are to protect our children and unfortunately we are failing to protect them from child sexual abuse. We invite you to help promote **WHITE OUT CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE** Day by sharing the attached information and encouraging your congregation to **WEAR WHITE ON Sunday, April 30th** to stand in the gap for our children, educate our community, to show compassion for victims and pray for their healing.

Matthew 18:5-6 (NIV)⁵ And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me...⁶ "If anyone causes one of these little ones—those who believe in me—to stumble, it would be better for them to have a large millstone hung around their neck and to be drowned in the depths of the sea.

Pastors please take Sunday, April 30th as an opportunity to:

- Encourage your congregation to wear white for compassion & healing of survivors and the innocence of our children. Join the movement in social media.
- Pray for survivors of child sexual abuse, for their emotional and physical healing
- Pray for the innocence of our children, under attack by society
- Pray for the families that love and support survivors of child sexual abuse.

We would love an opportunity to discuss with you the issue of Child Sexual Abuse and its effects on the lives of the individual, the family, and the community at large. VOICE Today offers Christ Centered Healing programs and services that help victims on their journey to recovery and healing. We desire to partner with churches to bring much needed healing to our communities by starting a support group in your church. Please consider scheduling a meeting to discuss with us how we can partner together. Please show your support for victims by helping us promote **WHITE OUT CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE DAY** April 30th. More information can be found at www.voicetoday.org/whiteout.

Sincerely,

Lorin Cook
Director of Support Services