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RESOLUTION OF THE JOINT SPECIAL CALLED SESSION OF THE UMC NIGERIA EPISCOPAL AREA HELD ON SATURDAY, 1st JUNE, 2024 AT MACBRIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, JALINGO, TARABA STATE

We, the 912 delegates across the four conferences of the Nigeria Episcopal Area, gathered as a result of the recently concluded United Methodist Church Postponed 2020 General Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina, USA, held from April 23rd to May 3rd, 2024. This General Conference removed restrictive language and changed the definition of marriage, which no longer aligns with our traditional Biblical beliefs.

Whereas the current United Methodist Church has altered the original language of our Discipline to accommodate cultural values divergent from ours;

Whereas the United Methodist Church now prioritizes the LBGQ+ community over the traditional beliefs held by many United Methodists in Nigeria;

Whereas the New UMC has changed our doctrinal beliefs;

Whereas this called session reaffirmed our conferences' earlier decision to reject regionalization;

Therefore, the United Methodist Church in Nigeria (Episcopal Area), meeting during a special session on 1st June 2024 at UMC MacBride, Jalingo, standing on the true Biblical word of God, has resolved and voted to leave the United Methodist Church pending the determination of litigations.

The called session also empowered the bishop to communicate to civil authorities the current stance of the United Methodist Church in regard to human sexuality.

The session also resolved that:

1. All four Annual Conferences are mandated to return to their respective conferences and conduct elections for new conference officials in line with our Book of Discipline.

2. The breakaway members are welcome back into the United Methodist Church by following all the required procedures or may continue their stay outside the bar of the conference.

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