

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

KYIV – A number of evangelical leaders in Ukraine signed a statement, dated 29 December 2008, and sent exclusively, in English translation, to RISU's office. The subject is the activity of Pastor Sunday Adelaja, head of the Kyiv-based Embassy of God Church. The leaders, among other things, write that "We radically dissociate ourselves from Sunday Adelaja and his activity." The original text, with no editing changes, follows.

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of the senior leaders of
evangelical churches of Ukraine
regarding the activity of Sunday Adelaja and
the
negative impact it has had on Ukrainian Christianity

"...and
have tested those who say they are apostles,
and are not and have found them
liars..."
(Revelation 2:2, Bible, NKJ)

On December, 16th, 2008 a
meeting of the senior ministers of evangelical churches of
Ukraine with the
senior pastor of the "God's Embassy" religious community
Sunday Adelaja took
place in Kyiv, Ukraine. The purpose of the meeting was to lay
claims and to pose
the questions exciting within the churches and the public of
Ukraine as well as
to confront about his actions and statements which do not

correspond
with the Holy Scriptures. In the course of the discussion
acknowledged
many of his mistakes, asked for forgiveness, promised to
repent publicly and
also promised to subordinate to the evangelical position
expressed at the
meeting with the leaders of evangelical churches of Ukraine.
From our side we,
as senior leaders of evangelical churches, expected pastor
Sunday Adelaja to
consequently undertake definite actions in the fulfillment of
the promised
corrections.

To our deep regret, no actions which could be qualified as
“worthy fruits of repentance” have been undertaken by since
the time
of the meeting. On the contrary, such reports as “Sunday
Adelaja thanked leaders
of evangelical churches for support”, or “It is unfair to give
the one-sided
report, said pastor Sunday Adelaja “, or ” An official address
of pastor Sunday
Adelaja to all protestant believers” appeared on the “God’s
Embassy’s” web-site.
This makes it clear that pastor Sunday resorted to
manipulations, untrue
statements and self-justification.

We have taken into consideration the
appeals for the help and council of many people from among the
members of the
“God’s Embassy” religious community who suffered from the
activity of “King's
Capital” financial company. Testimonies of these people, the
close analysis of

the facts, reaction to reproof of the bishops of evangelical churches of Ukraine (dated December, 16th, 2008) – all of these point out that pastor Sunday Adelaja is an inspirer and a spiritual protector of the above mentioned financial structures which finally led to deplorable spiritual and material condition of many people, and even to the point of loss of their accommodation and own habitation. The given activity has become the cause for some mass-media to identify Sunday Adelaja with all Christian evangelical churches.

Previously leaders of various Christian evangelical churches repeatedly admonished and warned , but have been ignored.

In view of the above-stated and based on the Holy Bible (Is. 56:10-11; ,20-21; Ezek. 34:1-11; Mat. 6:24; 18:17; 1st Peter 5:1-3; 1st Tim 5:20; 6:5-11) WE ANNOUNCE:

- We radically dissociate ourselves from Sunday Adelaja and his activity.
- We condemn:
 - Aspirations to create a cult of personality;
 - Methods and the activity, based on self-advertisement, exaggeration of personal merits and on lie;
 - The false doctrine of prosperity, the sin of love of money;
 - Practice to curse the church members and parishioners who disagree with his opinion.

- We ascertain:

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Sunday Adelaja is the inspirer and the spiritual patron of the para-church

financial structures («King's Capital» and other);

– Sunday Adelaja evaded

from the pure evangelical doctrine and is currently in spiritual seduction and error.

- We address:

– All the church leaders to abstain from brotherly fellowship with Sunday Adelaja;

– To pray for spiritual healing of members of the “God’s Embassy” religious community;

– To pray for those who suffered from the activity of the “King's Capital” financial company;

– The

Board of the “God’s Embassy Church to discharge Sunday Adelaja and to compel him

to leave the ministry for the improvement of the spiritual the church.

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We suggest Sunday Adelaja to sincerely repent in his words and deeds and we do

believe that only a true repentance gives freedom and cleanses from all sins and delusions.

(Holy Bible, Revelation 3:18-19: “I counsel you to buy from me gold refined in the fire, that you may be rich and white garments, that you may

be clothed, that the shame of your nakedness may not be revealed and anoint your

eyes with eye salve that you may see. As many as I love, I rebuke and Chasten.

Therefore be zealous and repent".)

The Official Statement was signed
by:

Bishop Mikhail Panochko – President of the All-Ukrainian
Church Union

of Evangelical Faith Christians – Pentecostal;

Bishop Leonid Padun – Leader

of the Ukrainian Christian Evangelical Church;

Assistant Bishop Anatoly

Gluhovsky – Union of the Free Churches of the Evangelical
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Ukraine;

Bishop Philip Savochka – Leader of the “Salvation” Christian
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Bishop Valery Reshetinskiy – Leader of the Union of

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Bishop Anatoliy

Gavrilyuk – President of the Union of Independent Christian
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of Ukraine (Full Gospel);

Bishop Anatoliy Kalyuzhniy – Leader of Independent

Evangelical Churches of Ukraine Union;

Pastor Boris Grisenko – Kyiv Messianic

Congregation;

Pastor Peter Kovalenko – Senior Pastor of Kharkiv Christian
Church.

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2008