

Global LGBT Activist Abandons Lifestyle, Surrenders to Jesus

Internationally renowned LGBT activist Val Kalende has publicly denounced her lesbian lifestyle and says God completely transformed her with his love.

Kalende was once a global champion for LGBT rights and frequently called out Christians and politicians for their support of traditional marriage. Today, she says God has forgiven her for what she calls the “sin of same-sex.”

Kalende grew up as a preacher’s kid in a Pentecostal household in Uganda, but left behind her family and career as a journalist to become an LGBT activist in 2007. She traveled the globe speaking on gay rights issues and spearheaded the Sexual Minorities of Uganda (SMUG), an umbrella body for LGBT organizations in the country.

When the Ugandan parliament criminalized homosexual behavior in 2014, Kalende gained asylum in Canada and became a fellow at the International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission.

Transformed by God’s Love

While writing for the Huffington Post in 2016, she said she remained “steadfast” in her fight for LGBT rights and that she “always believed in the transformative power of truth, because the truth, as they say, sets us free.”

Today, those words have a very different meaning. She says the truth of the gospel has set her free from her sinful past.

“The enemy had a plan to divert and eventually destroy my identity. God had a plan. A good plan,” she writes on her Facebook page. “Seeing how far God has brought me it makes

sense now to believe God had His eyes on me. He waited on me. He preserved my womanhood. He never stopped loving me. He knew me by name. He never stopped calling me back to His purpose.”
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