MEDIA ADVISORY

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National Death Penalty Opponents To Visit Little Rock

Little Rock: Death penalty opponents organizing to stop currently scheduled executions in Texas and Oklahoma will meet with Arkansas allies this evening at 6:30pm, at Central Church of Christ, 823 West 6th St. in Little Rock. The program, entitled “Voices of Experience on the Death Penalty,” features Death Penalty Action Executive Director Abraham Bonowitz, Impacted Communities Liaison Charles Keith, and Little Rock resident Rev. Dr. Jeff Hood, a member of Death Penalty Action’s Advisory Board.

The men are traveling to Texas to protest an execution there on Wednesday night before heading to Oklahoma, where they are supporting communities opposing an unprecedented execution spree in that state, where 25 execution dates have been set and may start as soon as August 25th.

Charles Keith is the brother of former Ohio death row prisoner Kevin Keith, whose case for innocence is being championed by Kim Kardashian and other innocence advocates. Mr. Keith will discuss his experience as a murder victim family member opposed to the death penalty and also as the brother of an innocent man facing execution. He will relate his experiences to those of many others across the United States and in Arkansas, and will note recent experiences accompanying the family members of other high profile condemned prisoners, including Melissa Lucio and Rodney Reed in Texas and Julius Jones in Oklahoma.

The speakers are available for advance interviews starting at 5pm at Central Church of Christ.

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