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The National Latino Evangelical Calls For Free, Fair and Safe Elections

New York and Orlando, Florida. – The National Latino Evangelical Coalition (NALEC), in the days leading to the national elections, has called for days of prayer and a commitment to fair, safe and peaceful elections. In a unanimous consensus, the Executive Committee of NALEC is calling our churches and allies to call their members to honor the results of the elections and call for free, fair and safe elections.

The Rev. Dr. Gabriel Salguero, president of the National Latino Evangelical Coalition, stated, “Our nation will soon determine who will represent us from local governments to the highest office in the land. As Latino Evangelicals committed to peace and justice, we are urging our congregations and elected leaders to promote civility which honors the results of the election, whatever they may be.”

“As the coronavirus surges, racial unrest persists and unemployment remains a challenge, we are calling leaders from all political parties and our fellow citizens to commit to a fair, free, and safe election that honors our democracy,” Salguero continued. NALEC understands that we are living in highly anxious and polarized times that demands we provide moral leadership.

Bishop Joshua Rodriguez, Northeast Vice-President of NALEC, added, “We are asking our pastors and congregations to provide moral leadership that honors the peaceful transition of power.” In addition, Rev. Jeanette Salguero, NALEC Executive Vice-President, and Rev. Enid Almanzar member of the executive committee, underscored, “Given the unprecedented challenges of a global pandemic, the 2020 election has an unprecedented number of Latino voters with a great number participating either by mail or early voting. We want to be sure every vote is counted. Our prayers for free, fair and safe elections includes eliminating voter suppression or voter intimidation.”

NALEC is participating in non-partisan national trainings and prayer events calling for increased voter participation and the honoring of election results. In the last few days leading to the election we remain confident that we, as a nation, will live to the highest angels of our national character.

The National Latino Evangelical Coalition is a network of several thousand Hispanic evangelical pastors, congregations and not-for-profits committed to Gospel-centered transformation, empowerment, and advocacy.