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**MEDIA STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE CRL RIGHTS COMMISSION IN SUPPORT
OF THE YOUNG BOYS WHO WERE SEXUALLY ABUSED BY PASTOR
LEHLOHONOLO MAKHUBELE**

The CRL Rights Commission welcomes the fact that 3 men (Boys) from Pretoria Soshanguve with the following names, Kabelo Masindi (19), Mpho Mokwana(26) and Keketso Ngaka(23) have come forth to the commission to lodge a complaint about their religious leader pastor Lehlohonolo Makhubele who sexually abused them .

The CRL Rights commission had learnt that the pastor had sexually abused the boys in the name of anointing them and also grooming them spiritually.

The Commission for the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Cultural, Religious and Linguistic communities calls upon everyone who has been victimised by their religious leaders to come out and report such victimisation to the Commission and the police. The Commission further urges all religious and community organisations to provide support to all the people who have been victimised by their religious leaders.

The Chairperson of the CRL Rights Commission says that the Commission will support the survivors who will be appearing in court and she hopes that justice will be seen to be done throughout the duration of this case.

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