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***"Be very careful, then, how you live, not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil."*** Ephesians 5:15-16

### **The Family is Foundational**

The family is the basic building block of society. The foundations for a successful society are laid in characters, minds and lives changed by the grace of God. In order to be successful, a society needs to be made up of individuals of integrity and compassionate families. For any nation to be strong, the families need to be strong.

### **A Battle for the Family**

Pornography is waging a war against the family. It is particularly targeting the men who are meant to be the providers, protectors and leaders of the family. It is devoted Christian husbands and dedicated fathers who are the bedrock of civilised society.

### **Targeting Men**

However, it is these men who are being targeted by the exploitative pornography industry. One would have thought that any responsible government would want to do everything in their power to protect families, and those who hold families together, the husbands and fathers.

### **Hell Bent on Destruction**

However, it would appear that many modern governments are hell-bent on not only imploding the economy, but undermining the essential foundations for civilised society. Those irresponsible individuals and parties promoting legalised pornography, prostitution and abortion are not offering us progress, but regression to the most base, vulgar and primitive behaviours that are the antithesis of civilisation.

### **Return to Paganism**

Public nakedness, permissiveness, prostitution and human sacrifice were practised in every culture before Christian civilisation transformed their lives and communities. By legalising pornography and promoting permissiveness, secular humanists are destroying centuries of progress and returning us to paganism. The exploitative industry of pornography (and the assorted Sexually Orientated Businesses which flourish and fester around it) grows only at the expense of the general well-being of society as a whole.

### **Parasitic**

Pornography is parasitic. It undermines the economy by wasting vast amounts of time, money, energy and productivity. It also erodes the essential foundation for any sound economy – the family. By glamourising adultery and encouraging promiscuity, pornography has played a key role in the break-up of many families.

### **Cultural Suicide**

As family men make up the overwhelming majority of law-abiding, hard-working, tax-paying, stable and productive citizens, it is economic suicide for any society to tolerate this threat of pornography. It is also cultural suicide and invites the wrath of God in judgement upon any society which tolerates such abominable perversion.

### **Disease Factories**

Pornography is also a health issue. The flood of sexually exploitative magazines, videos and websites, which have been allowed to pollute morals, minds and marriages, has greatly aggravated the health crisis. By stimulating sexual promiscuity, pornography has had the effect of greatly accelerating the spread of sexual diseases, including HIV/AIDS. If the Ministry of Health is really serious about combatting the spread of AIDS, and other STDs, then it should do all in its power to persuade the Ministry of Home Affairs to effectively eradicate all pornography and shut down the disease factories of sex shops and brothels.

***"But if anyone causes one of these little one who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him to have a large millstone hung around his neck and to be downed in the depths of the sea."*** Matthew 18:6

### **A Call for the Church to Take a Stand**

In 1990, as Director of United Christian Action, I made a stand for family values at the National Conference of Churches Conference in Rustenburg. My proposal that the Rustenburg Declaration include the statement: “*We oppose the exploitative pornography industry...*” was shouted down by angry delegates who were incensed at my statements against pornography and abortion. The leader of the Association of Evangelicals, at that time, actually made the outrageous comment that if we wanted Bibles to be allowed, then we had to allow equal freedom for pornography!!

### **Africa Christian Action**

This led us to launch Africa Christian Action in March 1991. ACA initiated the first nationwide campaign against pornography in April 1991. Operation Clean Sweep included publishing ***Finding Freedom from the Pornography Plague***, which was so highly in demand that it quickly sold out and had to be revised, expanded and reprinted, again and again.

### **Operation Clean Sweep**

By God's grace, Africa Christian Action's Operation Clean Sweep succeeded in persuading over 9,000 stores in South Africa to no longer stock pornography. By contacting advertisers in locally produced pornographic magazines, such as Scope, ACA succeeded in making these publications uneconomical. By the time Scope was finally closed down by Republican Press, they complained that *fundamentalist Christian groups* had caused their flagship publication, Scope, to put Republican Press several million Rand into the red!

### **You Can Make a Difference**

Pornography can and must be beaten. This is a winnable war. You can make a crucial difference!

***"Who will rise up for Me against the wicked? Who will take a stand for Me against the evildoers?"*** Psalm 94:16

### **Everything Has Consequences**

What we see influences what we think. What we think influences what we believe. Our values and beliefs affects our actions.

***"Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable, if anything is excellent or praiseworthy, think about such things."*** Philippians 4:8

### **A Call to Action**

Christian Action's new book, [\*\*Pornemic\*\*](#) shows us **why** we must all be involved in cleaning up our society from this threat to our families and to civilisation itself. More importantly, it shows us **how** to defeat it, on the personal and family level, all the way through to the national and international level. This is a winnable war!

### **Are you part of God's Army?**

Are you one of those with a clear vision of a lost world in rebellion to its Creator?

Do you have the moral backbone to stand up against the immoral degeneration of our society?

Do you have the spiritual courage to step out and do something about it?

### **What Can You Do?**

It is the responsibility of every believer to seek God's will for his, or her, life by studying God's Word, the Bible. Once we see the area where the Lord wants us to work, we are then responsible to boldly go and to put our Faith in action. You can make a difference!

***"But thanks be to God Who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labour in the Lord is not in vain."*** 1 Corinthians 15:57-58

### **Now Available**

Africa Christian Action's new book **PORNDemic: How the Pornography Plague Affects You and What You Can Do About It** will equip you, with the help of God, to begin to transform your community.

This 256-page book (with 22 info-graphics and 23 pro-family action pictures) is available for \$10 (excluding postage). Contact [info@christianaction.org.za](mailto:info@christianaction.org.za) to order.

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### **Book Launch – Tonight, Thursday, 6 February, Cape Town**

You are warmly invited to the launch of Africa Christian Action's new book: [\*\*PORNDemic – How the Pornography Plague Affects You and What You Can Do About It\*\*](#)  
- Thursday, 6 February, 7:30pm, Pinelands Town Hall, St Stephen's Road, Pinelands, Cape Town.