

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH



Pastor [REDACTED]

To: General Conference of Seventh-day Adventist
12501 Old Columbia Pike
Silver Spring Maryland 20904
United States of America

RE: [REDACTED] SDA Church objection to GC ADCOM statements on "Peer-Reviewed Scientific Literature."

Dear SDA General Conference ADCOM and EXCOM,

We write to you from the [REDACTED] SDA Congregation, of the [REDACTED] Conference, of the [REDACTED] Union Conference of [REDACTED] Division [REDACTED] At our Business Meeting of [REDACTED] the following statements of SDA General Conference (GC) ADCOM were critically reviewed and considered:

- 1) ADCOM statement dated 2015 as available at: <https://www.adventist.org/official-statements/immunization/>
- 2) ADCOM statement dated 2021 as available at: <https://adventist.news/news/reaffirming-the-seventh-day-adventist-churchs-response-to-covid-19-1>

Areas of concern:

- 1) Origin: These statements are of questionable origin, not voted in at regular GC session by official delegates of the world church body, and may therefore not be representative of, nor published as official statements of, the SDA Church.
- 2) Content: The 2015 statement contradicts the 28 Fundamentals by introducing "peer-reviewed scientific literature" as supposed basis for the SDA health emphasis. The SDA health emphasis is a matter of fundamental belief (Belief 22), and the 28 Fundamentals only recognize the Bible (Belief 1) and the Spirit of Prophecy, specifically the writings of Ellen G White (Belief 18) as authoritative.

We petition the GC EXCOM to:

- 1) Publicly withdraw such statements immediately.

In our view these ADCOM Statements have severely impacted and undermined the foundation principles of Religious Liberty as practiced and upheld by our Church Members, Worldwide. Thanks in advance for your cooperation and assistance on this urgent matter.

Faithfully in Christ,

[REDACTED]

Head Elder [REDACTED] Seventh-day Adventist Church)