March 15, 2018

Dear Freedom Fasters and Partners,

As the President of Disciples Home Missions, I write to express the strong support of our Disciples ministries for your Freedom Fast. We applaud the courage of fasters and supporters as you continue to urge Nelson Peltz of Wendy’s to join the Fair Food Program, in order to help end sexual violence in the fields for farmworkers. The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) remains grateful to stand in partnership with you to support the boycott of Wendy’s until the time when Mr. Nelson Peltz and the company agree to sign on to the Fair Food Program.

We stand in solidarity with your goals as farmworker leaders, and with the Coalition of Immokalee Workers and the Alliance for Fair Food, as you seek fair wages and safe treatment of farmworkers. We remain grateful, also, to serve as a long-term and founding partner with the National Farm Worker Ministry, which likewise supports the goals of the CIW and other farmworker led groups seeking justice for those who grow the food we all eat in this nation.

May God bless you with success in your goals through the Freedom Fast, and may you feel strengthened throughout the fast by the voices of the prophets who never stopped calling God’s people “to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God”! (Micah 6:8)

Most Sincerely,

Rev. Sotello Long, President
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