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**EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH HOSTS HISTORICAL PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION
“WATCH NIGHT” SERVICE AND PRAYER RALLY**

Atlanta, GA -- Historic Ebenezer Baptist Church hosts a non partisan **Presidential Election “Watch Night”** service and prayer rally on **Tuesday, November 4, 2008** in the Horizon Sanctuary of the church, located at 407 Auburn Avenue in Atlanta, 30312. The program will begin at 7:00 p.m. with a candle light vigil and wreath laying at the crypt of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Attendees will then gather in the Horizon Sanctuary for a prayer rally on behalf of the nation and our new president and, watch the election returns on large television screens. Ebenezer senior pastor, **Rev. Raphael G. Warnock**, host of the service says, “This ‘Watch Night’ service is reminiscent of the moment in history when slaves watched for the stroke of midnight for the Emancipation Proclamation that gave way to their freedom.” Warnock continues, “November 4th will be another game changer no matter who wins the election because it will usher in another historic achievement for our nation.”

Joining Reverend Raphael G. Warnock in partnership for the election night “Watch Service,” are Reverend Al Sharpton and Reverend W. Franklyn Richardson, both of the National Action Network. Throughout the evening, the following speakers will offer greetings, comments and remarks: **Senior Pastor Raphael G. Warnock, Reverend Al Sharpton, president, NAN; Martin Luther King, III; Elder Bernice King; Rev. W. Franklyn Richardson, NAN; Congressman John Lewis (D)-GA;** Former United States Ambassador to the United Nations **Andrew Young**, other **national dignitaries** and **noted celebrities**. “As the host of such a historic presidential election viewing service and home to the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr., we continue our commitment to his vision while celebrating the long impact of the church’s ministry,” says Reverend Warnock.

WHO: Historic Ebenezer Baptist Church, **Senior Pastor Raphael G. Warnock**, in partnership with the National Action Network, with: **Reverend Al Sharpton**, president and **Rev. W. Franklyn Richardson**, chairman, NAN.

WHAT: Presidential Election “Watch Night” service and prayer rally.

WHEN: Tuesday, November 4, 2008
7:00 p.m. – Until

WHERE: Presidential Election Candle Light Vigil, Wreath Laying and Prayer Rally (begins at 7:00 p.m.)
The King Center
450 Auburn Ave., NE
Atlanta, GA 30312

Presidential Election “Watch Night” Service (begins at 7:30 p.m.)
Historic Ebenezer Baptist Church - Horizon Sanctuary
407 Auburn Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia 30312

For more information on the **Presidential Election “Watch Night”** service and prayer rally visit:
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