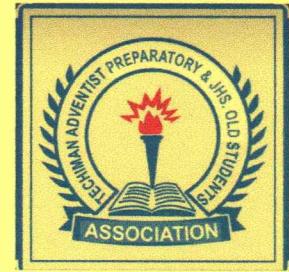


PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



2001 CLASSMATES OF DETAINED NURSING OFFICER SALOMEY AWITI BAFFOE DEMAND IMMEDIATE RELEASE, CALL ON PRESIDENT MAHAMA, INTERIOR MINISTER, IGP, AND DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY TO INTERVENE

TECHIMAN, BONO EAST REGION — SEPTEMBER 17, 2026

The 2001 Final Year Batch of Adventist Junior High School, Techiman, has watched with growing shock, disbelief, and outrage the unfolding persecution of our classmate, sister, and friend, Salomey Awiti Baffoe, a Senior Nursing Officer and mother of three, who has been remanded for two weeks by the Adenta Circuit Court 1 over allegations linking her to the anonymous "Ghana Jollof" TikTok account.

We write this statement not as politicians. Not as activists. Not as partisans. We write as ordinary Ghanaians who sat in the same classroom with Salomey for years. We ate with her. We studied with her. We grew up with her. And we can say with absolute certainty: the Salomey we know is not the person being described in the media.

WHO IS SALOMEY AWITI BAFFOE?

Salomey was a quiet, focused, and disciplined student. She was never loud. She was never aggressive. She was never politically active. She was never one to court controversy or attract attention to herself.

She was the kind of student who sat in the middle row, took her notes, passed her exams, and went home. She was the kind of friend who helped others without being asked. She was the kind of person who stayed out of trouble.

After school, she trained as a nurse. She became a Senior Nursing Officer — a profession that requires discipline, compassion, and integrity. She dedicated her life to caring for the sick. She became a mother of three.

That is the Salomey we know. And that is why we are outraged.

THE ARREST: A MIDNIGHT ABDUCTION

On the night of Sunday, September 13, 2026, at approximately 11:30 PM, three individuals — two men and one woman — dressed in black uniforms and claiming to be National Security operatives, stormed Salomey's home in Hansua, Techiman Municipality.

They did not present a warrant.

They did not state the grounds for arrest.

They did not allow her to pack a single item.

They did not allow her to call a lawyer.

They did not allow her to speak to her children.

They simply took her.

Her brother, who witnessed the incident, was told they were taking her to the regional command. Her elderly mother received a phone call from a man claiming to be with the Jema BNI, alleging that her daughter was "Ghana Jollof."

Her three children have not seen their mother since.

Her phones are off. Her whereabouts were unknown.

This is not an arrest. This is an abduction.

THE PROSECUTION: UNPROFESSIONAL, UNFAIR, AND INCOMPETENT

We have followed the developments in court carefully. And we are deeply disturbed by what we have heard.

The prosecution itself told the court that the person behind the "Ghana Jollof" account is currently in the United Kingdom.

Let us repeat that: The authorities told the court that the person behind the account they are investigating is in the United Kingdom.

Yet Salomey Awiti Baffoe — a nursing officer, a mother of three, a woman with no political affiliation and no history of controversy — has been remanded for two weeks.

If the real "Ghana Jollof" is in the UK, on what basis is Salomey being held?

If the real "Ghana Jollof" is in the UK, why was she taken from her home at midnight?

If the real "Ghana Jollof" is in the UK, why are her children without their mother tonight?

This prosecution is not just unprofessional. It is not just unfair. It is an embarrassment to the intelligence and competence of our security apparatus.

THE REAL GHANA JOLLOF HAS SPOKEN

Adding to the absurdity of this case, the actual "Ghana Jollof" account released a video shortly after Salomey's arrest — mocking the security operatives for arresting the wrong person.

The voice in the video said: "You arrested the wrong person. Salomey Baffoe is not Ghana Jollof. I am Ghana Jollof. You think you can silence me by arresting an innocent woman? You are wasting your time."

Even the person the state is looking for has confirmed what we have been saying all along: Salomey is innocent.

The Ghana Jollof account is still active. The real person is still posting. And Salomey Awiti Baffoe — an innocent mother — is sitting in a cell.

How does that make sense?

OUR DEMANDS

As the 2001 Final Year Batch of Adventist Junior High School, Techiman, we are making the following demands:

1. IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF SALOMEY AWITI BAFFOE

She is innocent. The real Ghana Jollof has said so. The prosecution's own case says so. She must be released immediately and unconditionally.

1. PUBLIC APOLOGY FROM THE STATE

The state must publicly apologise to Salomey, her family, and her children for the trauma, embarrassment, and pain caused by this unlawful arrest.

1. FULL INVESTIGATION INTO THE ARREST

Who ordered the arrest? Who gave the instruction to storm a private residence at 11:30 PM without a warrant? Who told the family that Salomey was Ghana Jollof? The Ghanaian people deserve to know.

1. COMPENSATION FOR THE FAMILY

Salomey's three children have been deprived of their mother. Her elderly mother has been traumatised. The family has suffered reputational damage. The state must compensate them.

4. PROSECUTION OF THOSE RESPONSIBLE

If it is established that Salomey was falsely accused and unlawfully detained, those responsible whether in National Security, the BNI, or any other agency — must face the full rigours of the law.

OUR APPEAL

We are calling on:

President John Dramani Mahama You are a father. You are a grandfather. You know what it means to hold your children. Salomey's children cannot do that tonight. Their mother is gone. Please intervene. Please bring her home.

First Lady Lordina Mahama You are a mother. You are from the same constituency as Salomey's family — Kintampo South. You know the pain of a mother separated from her child. Please add your voice. Please help bring Salomey home.

The Honourable Minister of Interior You are responsible for the safety and security of all Ghanaians. An innocent mother of three has been unlawfully detained. You must act. You must ensure that justice is done.

The Inspector General of Police (IGP) You are the head of the Ghana Police Service. Your officers have denied knowledge of this arrest. If the police are not responsible, who is? You must investigate. You must find out who took Salomey Baffoe.

The Diplomatic Community — We call on all embassies, high commissions, and international organisations in Ghana to take note of this case. An innocent woman has been detained without charge. Her children are without their mother. Her rights are being violated. Please monitor this case. Please advocate for her release.

The National Human Rights Institutions — The Commission on Human Rights and Administrative Justice (CHRAJ) and all human rights organisations must intervene. This is a clear case of unlawful detention. This is a violation of Article 14 of the Constitution. You must act.

The Media — We thank the media for bringing this story to light. We urge you to continue. Do not let this story die. Do not let Salomey be forgotten. Keep the pressure on. Keep the spotlight on.

The Ghanaian People — We call on every Ghanaian to speak up. This is not about politics. This is not about "Ghana Jollof." This is about an innocent mother who has been taken from her children. If this can happen to Salomey Baffoe, it can happen to any of us. Do not stay silent. Demand justice. Demand her release.

A FINAL WORD TO PRESIDENT MAHAMA

Mr. President,

We voted for you. Some of us did. Some of us did not. But all of us are Ghanaians. And as a nation all of us expect you to protect the innocent.

Salomey Awiti Baffoe is not your enemy. She is not a threat to national security. She is a nursing officer. A mother. A daughter. A sister. A friend. A classmate.

She is one of us.

And she is innocent.

The real "Ghana Jollof" is in the UK. The real "Ghana Jollof" has said so. Your own prosecutors have said so.

So why is Salomey still in custody?

Mr. President, we are begging you. As our President. As a father. As a grandfather. Please intervene. Please bring Salomey home.

Her children are waiting. Her mother is weeping. And everyone is watching.

Do the right thing.

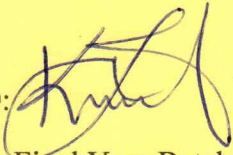
CONCLUSION

We, the 2001 Final Year Batch of Adventist Junior High School, Techiman, will not rest until Salomey Awiti Baffoe is released and reunited with her children.

We will continue to speak. We will continue to write. We will continue to demand justice.

Salomey is our sister. Salomey is innocent. Salomey must come home.

SIGNED:



The 2001 Final Year Batch

Adventist Junior High School, Techiman

Bono East Region, Ghana

CONTACT:

For media inquiries, please contact:

Name: Adu Fosu Dickson

Title/Position : Group Rep

Phone Number: 0246943227