



Anglican Network in Canada

Fifth Synod of the Anglican Network in Canada 14th to 16th November 2012

Minutes

**"The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness,
and let us put on the armour of light." *Romans 13:12 (KJV)***

DAY 1, Wednesday November 14th 2012

1. Morning Prayer & Opening Eucharist at St. Peter and St. Paul's Anglican Church Ottawa

The first day of the Synod began with a service of morning prayer at 7:00 a.m. at St. Peter and St. Paul's, officiated by The Rev. Barclay Mayo, with a sermon by The Rev. Robert Roe.

The opening Eucharist took place at 8:30 in the same location, officiated by Archbishop Bob Duncan.

.....*10:30 AM Refreshment Break*.....

2. Clergy/Lay Program

The Clergy/Lay program ran from 10:45 to 12:00.

.....*12:00 Break for Lunch*.....

3. Episcopal Election (Voting Delegates Only)

Bishop Charlie masters was elected as the new Co-adjutor Bishop

.....*Close of meeting 5:00pm*.....



DAY 2 Thursday, November 15th 2012

4. Morning Prayer

A service of morning prayer was held at 7:00 a.m. at St. Peter and St. Paul's, The Rev. Dr. Rod Ellis preaching, officiated by The Rev. Melvin Tai.

*The text of this presentation is available to download on the ANiC website:
www.anglicannetwork.ca/anic_Synod_1112.htm*

5. Bible Teaching: Archdeacon Ron Corcoran

After breakfast, Bishop Don Harvey welcomed the delegates. He then invited The Rev. Paul Donison, Chair of the Local Arrangments Committee and Host Rector of ANiC Synod V, to read from the Gospel.

Paul+ read from Mark 10:17-22, the story of the rich young man who sought to inherit eternal life. Paul+ then invited The Ven. Ron Corcoran to conduct a Bible teaching session.

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6. Moderator's Charge

Bishop Don began his final charge to the ANiC Synod by recalling the early days of ANiC and giving thanks to the bishops whose courage made the birth of our province possible, Bishop Robert Duncan of Pittsburgh and Archbishop Greg Venables of the Southern Cone.

*The text of the Moderator's Charge is available for download from the ANiC website:
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7. Ottawa Theological College - The Rev. George Sinclair

The Rev. George Sinclair, Rector of Church of the Messiah, Ottawa, was invited to give a presentation about the Ottawa Theological College.

George+ presented the Mission of the College. The mission statement of this evangelical and cross-denominational school is, "Equipping Christian workers for confident gospel ministry." Its vision statement is, "Building strong local churches at home and abroad - one leader at a time." It opened in September 2012 with 13 students and five courses. More courses will be offered in January. George+ was successful in bringing in committed individual leaders who were qualified and willing to work for free. The intent is to create a board for the College that is independent of the Church of the Messiah. Bishop



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Charlie Masters will be one of the board members. ANiC clergy may attend free of charge. George+ requested prayers for people, funding, and teachers. More information is available at <http://messiahchurch.ca/ministries/otc>.

.....**Break 10:00 - 10:30**.....

8. Financial Reports - Claus K. Lenk, Treasurer

Treasurer Claus Lenk was invited to give a financial presentation.

Claus Lenk provided a summary of the financial statement: (copies of financial are available from the ANiC office).

Claus read a letter from the chartered accountant at Wormald Professional Corporation who had reviewed ANiC's financial statements, indicating that the statements are in order.

Claus noted that the General Fund and the Legal Fund are kept separate. ANiC only disburses funds for the legal expenses, as they are available. Church tithes and donations do not go to the Legal Fund; it is a totally designated fund.

The income statement was presented showing the final figures for the year-end June 2012. The result was an operating deficit of (38,567).

Expenses were managed somewhat by reducing salaries by five percent and restricting the travel budget. Expenses for the year were \$1,055,854 Last year's deficit was chiselled down from (83,228) to (38,567).

1
Moved by: Claus Lenk, Treasurer Seconded by: Ed Lewis
Motion: Be it resolved that the financial report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012 from the Chartered Accountants be received as presented.
CARRIED

2
Moved by: Claus Lenk, Treasurer Seconded by: Michael Bentley
Motion: Be it resolved that the firm of Wormald Professional Corporation be appointed as the Chartered Accountants of the Anglican Network in Canada for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013.
CARRIED



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Claus Lenk indicated that a Chartered Accountant is a public accountant who is required to provide an objective review of our financial processes and status. Claus Lenk then presented the 2012-2013 Annual budget.

Highlights of the budget include:

- Parish contributions are being increased from 724,625 to 852,000. There are new churches, and some that are now on a tithe program, which is encouraging.
- Synod registration amounts were up significantly, and the reason is that there are two Synods in this year, both the current Synod and the regional assemblies planned for April.
- Salaries and benefits are down. The reduction of salaries from last October has been reversed as of October 2012. As well, each staff member has received a 2.5 percent salary increase. The benefit package with the insurer has been negotiated, with the result that the salary and benefits amount is lower overall.
- Travel expenses are up because travel was quite restricted last year. A contingency travel budget has been added for the Coadjutor Bishop as it is expected that he will require it.
- There is an item for the DOVE weekend for ordinands, which was not included in last year's budget.

There were several questions regarding the proposed budget.

The proposed expenditures for the year 2012-2013 are \$1,176,430. The total projected revenues are \$1,221,840. A copy of the approved budget is available at the ANiC office.

3
Moved by: Claus Lenk, Treasurer Seconded by: Ven. Paul Crossland
Motion: Be it resolved that the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED

The Moderator expressed thanks to Claus Lenk for his work.

9. Hungry for Life

Bishop Trevor Walters gave a presentation about "Hungry For Life". He provided details on an opportunity to take eight leaders to Cuba, February 1-12 to investigate the possibility of providing support for Cuban parishes. Last year the Director of 'Hungry for Life' said that, if someone had spent a lifetime in Cuba and had seen the development of 12 churches and six church plants, they would be very satisfied

with a life's work. Bishop Charles Dorrington and his wife have done this in ten months, one month per year, over ten years.

The average salary in Cuba is \$28 per month. So for \$100 per month, we could provide clergy wages, church and program expenses for the whole church, and would have a relationship with some remarkable people in Cuba. Bishop Trevor encouraged anyone who was interested to speak with him immediately.

10. Canons/ By-Laws

The Moderator invited The Rev. George Sinclair to give a report on behalf of the Canons and Constitution Committee.

The Rev. George Sinclair, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, presented a resolution on behalf of the Canon's Committee. The canons of our church need to serve the mission and vision of the church, and, in so doing, serve the gospel ministry and bring glory to God. In 2010 the canons were passed, with the promise that they would be amended in the following two years. This year the proposed amendments will address primarily Section 3, which focuses on church discipline.

Thanks to Joyce Lee, Cheryl Chang, Phil Varko and Brian Ellis for their work to initially develop the Canons. After 2010 Synod, a new Canons Committee was created. George+ and John MacDonald have remained on the committee, and have been joined by Mike Donison, Jonathan Reilly and Archdeacon Darrell Critch.

Two types of changes are proposed in Section 3:

1. Grammatical. The board now has the authority to correct grammatical changes without synod approval.. George+ requested that anyone who has found grammatical problems in the canons to bring them to the committee, rather than speaking to the whole group.
2. Changes to Canadianize the American legal terminology, since this section of the canons have been adopted from ACNA some of the language does not apply to the Canadian legal system.

4
Moved by: The Rev. George Sinclair Seconded by: Ven. Darrell Critch
Motion: That the amendments document be adopted as presented.
CARRIED



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SPECIAL RESOLUTION OF THE MEMBERS

of the

ANGLICAN NETWORK IN CANADA

(Hereinafter called the “**Corporation**”)

WHEREAS:

- A. The Canons Committee has reviewed the Canons of ANiC and recommended certain amendments;
- B. The ANiC Council considers it to be in the best interests of the Corporation to amend its Canons as outlined in these resolutions.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS A SPECIAL RESOLUTION THAT:

1. The Canons be amended as follows and, where necessary, subsequent paragraphs, sections and articles be renumbered accordingly:
 - I.1 A definition of the “Canons Committee” be inserted alphabetically in section I.I as follows:

“ “Canon’s Committee” refers to a committee that may be established by the ANiC Council from time to time and whose membership shall include the Chancellor, at least one member of the ANiC Council, and such other additional persons as the ANiC Council sees fit to appoint, for the purpose of reviewing and recommending amendments to these Canons, for making recommendations of a Canonical or legal nature to the ANiC Council or for considering any other Canonical or legal issues referred to it by the ANiC Council.”
 - I.4.2(aa) The text of section I.4.2(aa) be moved to become the last sentence of section I.4.2 (a).
 - I.4.2(c) and I.4.3(d) That the typographical error “days notice” be amended to “days’ notice”.
 - I.4.2(f) That the typographical error “Synods” be corrected to “Synod”.
 - I.4.2(q)(i) and (ii) That the typographical error “Resolution” be corrected to “Resolutions”.
 - I.4.2(q)(iv) That the phrase “Any other resolution specified by the Moderator or



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the ANiC Council to be voted on “by House” by way of special resolutions.” be amended to read:

“Any other resolution specified by the Moderator or the ANiC Council to be voted on “by House” or any other resolution identified as a “special resolution”.”

I.4.2(aa) That the following provisions be inserted as I.4.2(aa) (or as I.4.2(bb) if the above resolution concerning the existing I.4.2(aa) does not pass):

“(aa) Once the date of the annual Synod has been set by the ANiC Council, the Canons Committee or any ANiC Member (or a duly selected representative of a Parish Member) may propose an amendment to these canons provided such amendment is submitted in accordance with these Canons as follows:

- (i) Where the Synod is a special Synod, the ANiC Council may make special rules concerning proposed amendments including whether or not proposed amendments will be accepted from Members, provided copies of the proposed amendments are distributed to Members not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the special Synod;
- (ii) Where the Synod is an annual Synod, amendments must be received by the Canons Committee not less than the 84th day prior to the Synod (which deadline shall be extended to the next business day if the 84th day is a Saturday or Sunday or day on which the ANiC is closed for a statutory holiday). A proposed amendment shall be deemed to have been received by the Canons Committee if it has been delivered to the ANiC Office or to any member of the Canon’s Committee prior to 5:00 p.m. local time on the day of the deadline; and
- (iii) Amendments shall be subject to review by the Canons Committee for the purpose of making non-substantive changes to ensure conformity of presentation, consolidating like amendments, and conforming terminology to the terminology of these Canons. The Committee shall use reasonable efforts to confirm such changes are acceptable to the proposers prior to distribution of the amendments to the Members; and
- (iv) The Canons Committee shall prepare the amendments for distribution and the ANiC Council shall cause the amendments to be distributed to the Members not less than twenty-one (21) days prior to the Synod at which they are to be submitted



for a vote of the members; and Amendments may not be made from the floor of Synod, nor may non-substantive changes to proposed amendments be made from the floor of Synod and in order to pass, proposed amendments to these Canons shall be subject to the requirements of section I.4.2(q) of these Canons.”

III.1.2 Rephrase “The following are the charges or accusations regarding which the Moderator, an ANiC Bishop, a Presbyter, or a Deacon may be presented:” to read as follows:

“The following charges or accusations may be presented in respect of the Moderator, an ANiC Bishop, a Presbyter, or a Deacon, following the procedures for presentment established in these Canons:”

III.2.2 Section III.2.2 be amended to read as follows:

“At any time after the receipt of an accusation(s), the accused may confess to the truth of the allegation(s) and submit to the discipline of ANiC as provided for in these Canons. Submission to the discipline of ANiC must include the following:

- (a) co-operation in any investigation or further investigation by, or required by, the Moderator or the Moderator after consultation with the ANiC Council; and
- (b) submission to sentence as determined pursuant to Section III Article 4 of these Canons.”

III.2.3(a) Amend the heading to read:

“Concerning Canonical Investigation”

III.2.3(a) Section III.2.3(a) be amended to read as follows:

“Upon receipt of an accusation pursuant to this Article III.2.1, the Moderator shall, within forty-five (45) days consult with the ANiC Council and appoint a canonical investigator:

- (i) to ascertain the merit of the accusations; and
- (ii) to make a recommendation to the ANiC Council as soon as practicable regarding whether further juridical process should be pursued.

An accusation shall not fail or be deemed not to have merit merely because of a delay in convening a consultation with the ANiC Council and appointing a canonical investigator and the occurrence of any such a



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delay shall not be interpreted in favour of or against any party.”

- III.2.3(f) That the phrase “his or her” be amended to: “such person’s”.
- III.2.3(g) That III.2.3(g) be renumbered III.2.4 and subsections (i) and (ii) be renumbered (a) and (b). This is to correct a typographical error that listed the section heading as a paragraph.
- III.3.1 That section III.3.1 be deleted and replaced by the following:
- “An ANiC Bishop may be charged under Title IV Canon 2 of the Canons of the Province by:
- (a) resolution of the ANiC Council; or
 - (b) three (3) bishops of the Province with jurisdiction; or
 - (c) not fewer than ten (10) Presbyters, Deacons, or Lay Members in good standing, of whom at least two (2) shall be Presbyters; or
 - (d) not fewer than ten (10) Presbyters, Deacons, or adult baptised parishioners in a Diocese, in any case in good standing, of whom:
 - (i) at least two (2) shall be Presbyters, one (1) of whom may be a Presbyter in the Diocese in which the alleged offense was alleged to have been committed; and
 - (ii) not fewer than six (6) shall either be Lay Members in an ANiC Parish or parishioners in good standing in the Diocese in which the alleged offense was alleged to have been committed; and such charges shall be in writing, signed and sworn to by all the accusers and shall be presented to the Archbishop, the Archbishop’s delegate, or the College of Bishops of the Province. The grounds of accusation must be set forth with reasonable certainty of time, place and circumstance. The charges shall be referred to the Board of Inquiry of the Province.”
- III.3.3 Following the words “...baptized members” Insert the words “of the Province” and after the word “eight” insert “(8)”.
- III.3.6 That section III.3.6(b), which reads as follows, “(b) If the ANiC Council has delivered a request to the College of Bishops of the Province regarding a presentment under Title IV Canon 2 of the Canons of the Province, but at the end of the review by the College of Bishops,



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Members holding at least thirty (30) votes eligible to be cast at the next Synod meeting are dissatisfied with the results, they may express in writing their dissatisfaction to the secretary of ANiC. As a result of such written expression of dissatisfaction, the ANiC Council shall bring a motion to the next Synod requesting the Province to release the said ANiC Bishop from his oversight responsibilities within ANiC.” be deleted and replaced by the following:

“(b) If the ANiC Council has delivered a request to the College of Bishops of the Province regarding a presentment under Title IV Canon 2 of the Canons of the Province but at the end of the review by the College of Bishops Lay Members holding at least thirty (30) votes eligible to be cast at the next Synod meeting are dissatisfied with the results, such Lay Members may express in writing their dissatisfaction to the secretary of ANiC and the secretary of ANiC shall present the written notice of dissatisfaction to the ANiC Council promptly and the ANiC Council shall bring a motion to the next Synod to require ANiC Council, on behalf of Synod, to request that the Province release the subject ANiC Bishop from his oversight responsibilities within ANiC. Outside of the provisions of this paragraph, no such or similar motion may be brought before Synod.”

III.4 That the word “Evidence” be inserted in the heading of section III.4, as follows: “OF EVIDENCE, COURTS, MEMBERSHIP AND PROCEDURES”

III.4.1, III.4.2 and III.4.3 That the following sections be inserted as III.4.1, III.4.2 and III.4.3 and the remaining sections be renumbered accordingly:

“III.4.1 Oaths and Solemn Declarations

Wherever these Canons require that a document is to be sworn or testimony is to be given in an ecclesiastical court, such document or evidence shall be “sworn” and in these Canons “sworn” refers to making an oath or solemn declaration according to the provisions of and in the form required by the Canada Evidence Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-5 or any amendments or successor to that act. In the matter of provision of oral evidence before any tribunal or court established under these Canons, the presiding bishop shall make provisions for a notary public or commissioner or other person authorized by that act to take an oath or solemn declaration to be available to take such oath or solemn declaration prior to the giving of any oral evidence.



III.4.2 Service

Where a document or notice is required to be served upon a party, it shall be served according to the Rules of the Federal Court of Canada as to the delivery of service, personal service, foreign service, non-personal service and service on those unavailable or avoiding service and not the format of the document or notice itself. For this purpose, any Rules of the Federal Court of Canada for delivery by post, courier or registered mail, shall be valid if to the party's address on the Parish Roll of their last known ANiC Parish regardless of whether the party signs a receipt for the notice. Where the party is an ANiC Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon, may be effected by delivery to an adult person at the diocesan office, in the case of an ANiC Bishop or Deacon, or the Presbyter's ANiC Parish office, in the case of a Presbyter, together with hand delivering or posting a copy of the notice to such person's address as recorded at the Diocesan office or in the relevant ANiC Parish Roll.

III.4.3 Standards of Proof

The burden of proof in any ecclesiastical proceeding established by ANiC shall be on a "balance of probabilities", provided that no sentence of suspension for life or deposition from ministry shall be invoked unless the sentencing judge finds that the burden of proof "beyond a reasonable doubt" has been met."

- III.4.1(b) That III.4.1(b) be renumbered III.4.4(b) and the words "or its committee" be deleted from the end of the sentence.
- III.4.1(c) That III.4.1(c) be renumbered III.4.4(c) and the words "unless the accused agrees in writing to waive such period," be inserted after the words "...conviction by Trial Court, " and "(30)" be inserted after the word "thirty".
- III.4.2(a) That III.4.2 be renumbered III.4.5 and the word "Trial" be amended in paragraph (a) to use the lower case, "trial".
- III.4.2(b) That the sentence "The term of each member of the Court shall be three years or until a successor is elected and qualified." be amended to read "The term of each member of the Court shall be the greater of three years or until a successor is elected and qualified."
- III.4.3, That the sections be renumbered III.4.6, III.4.7 and III.4.8 and the



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- III.4.4 and III.4.5 word “Canons” be amended to “canons”.
- III.4.6 That the section III.4.6 be renumbered III.4.9 and the phrase “, is under or has reason to believe that they are or may in the future” be inserted after “...under these Canons...”
- III.4.6.7 That the section III.4.7 be renumbered III.4.6.10 and that the phrase in paragraph (a) “If there is no Moderator,...” be amended to read:
- “If there is no Moderator, or if the Moderator fails or refuses to pronounce sentence within one hundred twenty (120) days,...”
- III.4.7(a) That the section III.4.7 be renumbered III.4.6.10 and that the phrase in paragraph (a) “If there is no Moderator,...” be amended to read:
- “If there is no Moderator, or if the Moderator fails or refuses to pronounce sentence within one hundred twenty (120) days,...”
- III.4.7(c) That the phrase “Sentences shall include:” be amended to read “Sentences shall include one or more of the following:”.
- III.4.7(c)(iii) That the word “or” be deleted from the end of item (iii) and that the period at the end of item (iv) be changed to a semi-colon and the phrase “in addition, other measures for restoration of the accused as may be required” be numbered item (v) and amended to read:
- “other measures for restoration of the accused as the person pronouncing sentence deems to be appropriate”.
- III.4.8 That section III.4.8 be renumbered III.4.11 and the phrase “With the advice and consent of the ANiC Council, such inhibition may be extended until...” be amended to read:
- “With the advice and consent of the ANiC Council, the Moderator may extend such inhibition until...”.
- III.4.8(b) That the phrase “In the case of the presentment of a bishop of the Province (including the Archbishop)...” be amended to read:
- “In the case of the presentment of an ANiC Bishop (including the Archbishop)...”



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Article (5) Insert the word “or” at the beginning of the final clause so that it reads: “or by the canons of the Province.”

2. Any one of the officers and directors of the Corporation is authorized to take all such actions and execute and deliver all such documentation, including the annexed Articles of Continuance (transition), the notice of registered office and of directors in the forms fixed by the Director, which are necessary or desirable for the implementation of these resolutions.

The undersigned, being the duly appointed Secretary of the Corporation, certifies that the above is a true and correct copy of a special resolution of ANGLICAN NETWORK IN CANADA, passed at a meeting of members held on the ____ day of November, 2012 by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the votes cast by the members of the Corporation who voted in respect of the resolution, and the resolution is in full force and effect, un-amended as of the date below.

DATED the ____ day of November, 2012

Secretary

The floor was opened for comments and questions. Seeing none, the Moderator called the question, and the motion was carried. Bishop Don thanked George+ for his presentation.

11. Artizo

The Rev. Eric Thurston and his team were invited to give a presentation on Artizo.

The term Artizo means to train or equip. It is a training program to equip individuals to preach God's word. Members have the opportunity to talk with and pray for one another, and to preach in community. The team spoke about how Artizo is benefiting both the students and their congregations. Parishes were invited to visit the Artizo booth for more information; and, to pray for the program and the students; to donate to the program; and to speak with the team if considering doing the program.

The Moderator thanked the team members for their presentation.

12. Chaplaincy in the Armed Forces

Captain the Rev. Stephen Ashton was invited to make a presentation about chaplaincy in the Armed Forces.

Stephen+ explained that the military chaplaincy meets with families around the deaths of soldiers and their family members

The chaplains provide Bibles from the Canadian Bible Society, and Armour for Faith for Catholics, which includes devotional materials. They also offer church services without challenge.

Stephen+ invited individuals who want to help to pray, to join the chaplaincy if they are interested, or to join Quilts of Valour. These quilts are given out to sick or injured soldiers, or to the families of soldiers who have died.

Paul+ thanked Stephen+ for his presentation.

Archdeacon Darrell Critch gave notice that he would be moving the following motion, seconded by Joel Reinhardt: later in the meeting.

Whereas our Moderator shared in his charge that one of the greatest challenges facing our diocese is the question of Anglican polity, therefore be it resolved that this Synod request that the Bishop Coadjutor appoint a task force to address this issue, with special focus on the relationship between the Bishops, Diocesan Council, Synod, clergy, and parishes.

.....*12:00 Break for Lunch*.....

13. Nominations Committee

The Rev. Archie Hunter, Chair of the Nominations Committee, explained Bishop Don had appointed a Nominations Committee to handle the proceedings during Synod.

Archie+ indicated that nominations from the floor would be welcome until 4:00, to be given to John McDonald.

14. Church Planting and Anglican 1000

The Rev. Ray David Glen and the Rev. Alan Hawkins were invited to speak on church planting and Anglican 1000.

Ray David+ gave a presentation about the Church Planting Working Group. In its first stage, the group developed a policy manual and regional structure, and a Memoranda of Understanding for projects, plants and parishes, to support the church planting work being done by ANiC members. In the second stage, it



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held regional Plant and Grow Meetings. Currently, in stage three, church plants that began with great enthusiasm are now asking what's next. The way forward is to partner with the Anglican 1000 Movement, which has resources we can tap into. These churches are also making funding applications to the Church Planting Working Group.

Ray David+ explained that there are two ways to apply for funding for church planting:

1. Apply for funds for a church plant that does not yet exist; and,
2. Congregational Development Funding for clearly defined projects that have a beginning and an end, and a desired outcome. This is available to all ANiC churches.

15. Sojourners Fellowship

Mark Larratt-Smith was invited to speak about the Sojourners Fellowship.

Mark Larratt-Smith explained that faithful Anglicans in rural places and those who have been alienated from the church for various reasons represent a mission field. In developing the Sojourners Fellowship, he took inspiration from 1 Peter 2, the living stones being built together. He felt God was calling him to build a path, not a place, in other words a bridge.

As its foundations, the Sojourners Fellowship is an integral part of ANiC, drawing on its foundation of faith in the gospel, caring for orphan Christians, extending the reach of ANiC parishes, and is committed to internal self-sufficiency. It is a virtual community based on technology. Mark spoke about the current challenges facing the Sojourner Fellowship: constant prayer; reaching more orphans; building shared leadership; and, establishing partnerships with more ANiC churches.

16. Introduction of New Parishes

Bishop Charlie Masters and Bishop Trevor Walters were invited to introduce new congregations.

They are:

Cornerstone Anglican Church, Sarnia
Resurrection Anglican Community, Kelowna
Mountain Valley Mission, Squamish
St. Timothy's, North Vancouver
Immanuel, Vancouver
The Table, Victoria
Church of Our Lord, Victoria (Anglican and REC merger)
Christ the Redeemer, North Vancouver (Farsi)

17. A Time to Build

Archdeacon Ron Corcoran was invited to speak about 'A Time to Build' campaign. Ron+ introduced the 'Time to Build' campaign and encouraged all to participate.

Ron+, the Rev. Brent Stiller, and Pat Decker are the 'Time to Build' team. Ron+ is the Campaign Coordinator. Ron+ asks all present to accept the challenge and join with him for the next 20 months in this initiative.

The Moderator thanked Archdeacon Ron for his presentation.

Archbishop Bob Duncan.

At this point, Archbishop Bob Duncan was invited to provide farewell comments, as he had to leave the meeting. He told the group that, when Jesus announced His ministry, he quoted Isaiah: to preach good news to the poor, release to the oppressed, etc. Not because we're good, but because we've submitted, God's work is being done. He observed that Canada is a body that is three streams, two integrities, and working hard to be one church. "Carry on," he said. "You're doing brilliantly. We're all in this together."

.....**3:15pm Refreshment break**.....

18. ACNA Catechesis

Bronwyn Short provided an update on the ACNA Task Force on the Catechumenate. She pointed out that the crisis in the Anglican Communion was largely caused by a failure in catechism. We failed to teach doctrine, holiness, and so on, the Christian fundamentals. The task force's plan is to create for ACNA a fully featured catechumenate: 1) producing an adult catechism of 100-130 pages; 2) raising up and training catechists to teach children, youth and adults; 3) developing resources; and, 4) providing models to help other parishes. There will be a summit for catechists in Dallas in February. Bronwyn ended her talk by emphasizing that we need catechists and catechism, and that the theologians are working on it.

19. St. Matthews's School of Life Ministry

Kathy Vaney was invited to speak about St. Matthew's School of Life Ministry.

Kathy Vaney described the target participants as being the St. Matthew's laity. Its goal is to systematically train the people of God in Scripture, in the creeds, articles, and so on, so that they are equipped for their own life and grow deeper in their faith; how to share their faith, to pray with others, Kathy emphasized that it is a school of *Life* and *Ministry*. People need teaching, and they want it.



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20. ARDFC (Anglican Relief and Development Fund - Canada)

Marilyn Jacobson was invited to speak about ARDFC.

Marilyn Jacobson showed slides illustrating work being done by ARDFC, including: helping Congolese with farm tools and seeds; Bible teaching; malaria prevention in Kenya; two micro finance projects in Burma and Peru.

Marilyn explained why people would want to partner with ARDFC:

- Outstanding leadership
- Global partnerships
- Building discipleship
- Careful stewardship
- Proven trusteeship - \$180,000, four projects on three continents

The current ARDFC project which Marilyn wanted people to support is a training centre in the Diocese of Recife, Brazil. ARDFC wants ARDFC ambassadors in parishes; wants parishes to include ARDFC in congregations' budgets; and wants individuals to contribute.

Marilyn asked Bishop Don, as chair, to pray for ARDFC, which he did.

The Moderator declared the meeting closed for the day.

.....*Close of meeting 5:00pm*.....

6:30 Banquet at the National Arts Centre. Guest speaker: Bishop Julian Dobbs.

DAY 3, Friday November 16th 2012

21. **Morning Prayer:** The Rev. Ronda Nychka preaching, Officiant Rev. Ken Bell

22. **ANiC Council Election** - ballots collected

23. **Zacchaeus Fellowship**

The Rev. Dawn McDonald gave a presentation about the Zacchaeus Fellowship, which is a fellowship of men and women who hold to the church's traditional teaching, in the face of homosexual attraction. She



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also explained how to be proactive in relating to homosexual Christian brothers and sisters. Dawn+ then outlined how to make churches a safe place.

Following Dawn's presentation, Bishop Don expressed his concern that in its fifth year, ANiC still has no program to address this ministry.

24. Closing Eucharist with Bishop Don Harvey

25. Council Election Results

The following were elected to Diocesan Council:

Clergy:

Ven. Darrell Critch
Rev. George Sinclair
Ven. Paul Crossland
Rev. Paul Donison
Ven. Michael McKinnon

Lay:

Victoria Huyer
Claus Lenk

26. AMMIC (Asian and Multicultural Ministries in Canada)

Bishop Stephen Leung was invited to speak about AMMIC.

Bishop Stephen Leung explained that AMMIC represents God's new paradigm of understanding cross-cultural mission. It came from God's Holy Spirit, as set out in Acts 11:4-10, where God told Peter not to hesitate to go to Cornelius, that God himself is in charge. In AMMIC, +Stephen said, God shows us visible minority immigrants, each with their own unique need for pastoral care. God initiates and God makes it work.

+Stephen showed a video. This video is available for download on the ANiC website:
www.anglicannetwork.ca/anici_Synod_1112.htm.

Following the video, the Rev. Deacon Shihoko Warren and the Rev. Melvin Tai gave presentations about their ministries. Shihoko told the delegates that many people believe the Japanese are the hardest people to reach with the gospel, but she believes God seeks out the lost sheep. She has a burden for them. God has helped her to rebuild the Japanese Christian community in Vancouver using Bible study, outreach projects, nursing home service, visitation, and networking, as well as ESL ministry. God has shown her the significance of reaching out to the Japanese people in Canada. Today we see that God has been gathering people of different nations and all continents, right in front of us.



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Melvin+ asked the question why he should go to other countries to minister when God has brought them all here. In Toronto there are more than 50,000 international students every year. If we reach out to them while they are here, they go back to their own countries as ready-made missionaries. If God has brought these people to our doorstep, Melvin+ said, we should look to them as a mission field. If we don't reach out to them, he said, the Muslims will.

*Shihoko's and Melvin+'s presentations are available for download on the ANiC website:
www.anglicannetwork.ca/anac_synod_1112.*

27. Remarks from Bishop Charles Dorrington of the Reformed Episcopal Church

Bishop Charles Dorrington observed that much has been happening in the Anglican world. More churches have joined ANiC/ACNA. Some churches have amalgamated. We are becoming one church under Jesus. In Cuba there are now approximately 1000 members in 18 churches and plants. The Cuban churches are looking forward to the upcoming project. +Charles congratulated Bishop Charlie Masters on becoming the Coadjutor Bishop, and thanked the Moderator, Bishop Don, for inviting him to this Synod.

28. Closing Business: Resolutions

The Resolutions Committee was invited to make a presentation. The Moderator read each motion.

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Moved by: David Rand Seconded by: Michael Donison
Motion: That this Synod of the Anglican Network in Canada Church sends its greetings to Her Majesty the Queen and assures her of our continued prayers for her long reign and success in all her endeavours as the Queen of Canada.
CARRIED

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Moved by: David Rand Seconded by: Michael Donison
Motion: That this Synod of the Anglican Network in Canada Church sends its greetings to both His Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury and the Right Reverend Justin Welby, Archbishop-designate of Canterbury, and assures them of our continued prayers for the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the strengthening of the bonds of affection in the Anglican Communion as a witness for our Lord Jesus Christ.
CARRIED



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Moved by: David Rand

Seconded by: Michael Donison

Motion: That this Synod misses the members of Synod who have been unable to attend this meeting of the Synod due to illness or other hardship, and we pray for healing and the continued blessing of Almighty God upon their work for His glory and in the proclamation of the Gospel.

CARRIED

8

Moved by: Ven. Darrell Critch

Seconded by: Joel Reinhardt

Whereas: Our Moderator shared in his charge that one of the greatest challenges facing our dioceses is the question of Anglican polity.

Be it resolved: That this Synod requests that the Bishop coadjutor appoint a task force to address this issue with special focus on the relationship between bishops, diocesan council, Synod, clergy and parishes.

CARRIED

9

Moved by: Joyce Lee (Lay, Anglican Network Church of the Good Shepherd)

Seconded by: The Rt. Reverend Ronald Ferris (Rector, Anglican Church of the Ascension, Langley)

Be it Resolved: That this Synod supports the continual development of ministries for ANiC's visible minority groups in Canada carried out by AMMIC team and led by Bishop Stephen Leung. This Synod endorses the ministry vision of AMMIC of growing to 1000 souls in visible minority groups in Canada for ANiC by 2015 and encourages the House of Bishops and ANiC council to encourage and support this vision.

CARRIED

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Moved by: The Rev. Paul Donison

Seconded by: David Rand

Motion: As Bishop Don Harvey is Shepherd, Warrior for the Faith, and Moderator, this Synod thanks God for the leadership of Bishop Don as chair of five Synods in the Anglican Network in Canada.

CARRIED



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Moved by: David Rand

Seconded by: Michael Donison

Motion: That the minutes from the 2011 Synod to be adopted.

CARRIED

Bishop Don gave episcopal approval to all decisions made and motions carried at this fifth ANiC Synod, declaring that this approval was given with great joy. He gave thanks for a very well organized Synod, spirit filled, and asked Bishop Charlie to bless those assembled and to prorogue the Synod until next time.

It was announced before the conclusion that \$10,447 had been raised against the costs of Synod from the offerings taken up, and more than \$5000 for the Time to Build campaign.

.....*Close of meeting 12:00pm*.....