

# ANiC Newsletter 20 February 2011

# Handle with prayer

#### News - ANIC and AEN

Vancouver parish to receive approximately \$2 million bequest after litigation

Although the Diocese of New Westminster has asked the Supreme Court of Canada to refuse to hear an appeal filed earlier by four ANiC parishes in the Vancouver-area, the diocese has not challenged the awarding of the bequest to Good Shepherd (Vancouver) by former parishioner Dr Daphne Chun. Therefore, the BC Court of Appeal decision awarding the Chun bequest to the ANiC parish is final and the funds can now be used, as its donor intended, for the building needs of the Good Shepherd congregation – which is the largest Chinese Anglican congregation in Canada.

Bishop Stephen Leung, rector of Good Shepherd expressed his gratitude to God and said, "This will be a great encouragement to ANiC in our continued fight for the preservation of biblically faithful Anglican ministry in Canada." For the people of Good Shepherd, the bequest is not just about the money; countless hours of work and fervent prayer have gone into fulfilling the wishes of Dr Chun over the last 13 years – including the seven years of effort that went into selling Dr Chun's property in Hong Kong. We see the return of the bequest as God's gracious vindication of this faithful stewardship."

However, the diocese is trying to dissuade the Supreme Court from hearing an appeal by the four Vancouver-area congregations in relation to the other parts of the BC Court of Appeal decision that awarded church properties and other funds to the diocese. In a <u>statement on its website</u>, the diocese says it wants to avoid a Supreme Court appeal because it wants to "stop spending money on lawyers and devote more resources to ministry for its people and those in need".

This legal action began in 2008 when the bishop of New Westminster purported to remove and replace elected parish trustees and took actions which resulted in the freezing of the bank accounts of 2 of the parishes. The other 2 parishes were targeted for similar action. This caused those trustees to turn to the courts for clarification of their responsibilities and a ruling on the legitimacy of the bishop's actions in attempting to arbitrarily remove them from office. For further information on the court proceedings and appeals see the <a href="#">ANIC website</a>.

#### Welcome Dean Peter Williams!

Having relinquished his Anglican Church of Canada licence, the Very Rev Peter Williams, formerly Dean of the Cathedral in Whitehorse, Yukon, received a licence today from Bishop Don Harvey to serve as a priest in ANiC.

#### Two parishes achieve settlement with Diocese of Ottawa

After months of negotiation, two ANiC parishes – St Alban's the Martyr and St George's – have reached a negotiated settlement with the Anglican Church of Canada's Diocese of Ottawa. The settlement will result in the following actions by 1 July 2011:

- Both congregations will change their names. George's will change its name to 'St Peter & St Paul's Anglican Church', while the St Alban's congregation has chosen the new name 'Church of the Messiah'.
- The people of St George's will retain their church building in the heart of Ottawa.
- The people of St Alban's will relinquish their building. Beginning this summer, the new Church of the Messiah plans to meet in the Ottawa Little Theatre which is located almost next door to their current building, while their church offices will be housed in the St George's building.
- A further division of assets between the parishes and the diocese the terms of which are to be kept confidential according to the settlement agreement.

Commenting on the settlement, the Rev George Sinclair, rector of St Alban's, said that it is an honour to lose the building for Christ. By agreeing to the settlement, neither St George's nor St Alban's conceded the legitimacy of their claims to the full assets of the parishes, but both consented to the compromise with the diocese to avoid the toll of court proceedings.

More information is available in the <u>ANiC news release</u>. And you can see what others think of the settlement <u>on the AEC blog</u>. The <u>diocese's release</u>, in keeping with its public position that the diocese owns church assets, positions the agreement as including the *sale* of St George's building to the congregation.

#### The Rev Sinclair talks about the issues and the settlement on talk radio

On February 16<sup>th</sup>, the Rev George Sinclair was a guest on an Ottawa radio talk show. The 1½ hour program moved through current issues in Canadian and global Anglicanism including sexuality and litigation. It was an interesting conversation involving phone-in questions which covered Anglican governance and why the Rev Sinclair believes the Holy Spirit draws Christians to come together and worship in community with one another and why remaining "Anglican" is important to him, to ANiC and ACNA. In the last 15 minutes of the show, the Rev Sinclair shared how the threatened litigation of the last few years and the current settlement has affected him and the congregation of St Alban's, soon to be called "Church of the Messiah". The plan is that, on the last Sunday in June, the congregation will worship for the last time in the St Alban's building. They will spend the first half of the service at their current location and walk – possibly in full song – to their new meeting place for the remainder of the service. The Rev Sinclair said it would likely be a time of tears of sorrow mixed with tears of joy. Listen to the February 16<sup>th</sup> radio program here.

# Deadline looms for short-term mission trip applications

The application deadline is **February 26** for those interested in participating in the short-term mission trips to China and Thailand. More details – including the application form – are available on the Asian Mission website. The two missions opportunities are:

- Working with the Anglican Church in Thailand, focusing on the ministry to Karen refugees on the Thai-Myanmar border. Tentatively set for June 6-20.
- Working with disabled children in Changsha, China and encouraging their families. Tentatively set for June 30 - July 14.

#### Parish ministry support tools

Parishes that have recently joined ANiC should know that ANiC provides significant assistance – at little or no charge – for the design and development of a variety of ministry support tools including:

Website development

Parish logos incorporating the ANiC shield

Signage design

- Invitation cards for distribution in the community
- Baptismal and marriage certificates
- Letterhead and business card design

Please email Marilyn Jacobson, ANiC communications, for information and assistance.

### ANiC parish news

All Saints Anglican Church (Rutland, VT), a mission of Holy Trinity (Marlborough, MA) reports and Bishop Don Harvey confirmed seven parishioners and the reception of an eight when he and Archdeacon Michael McKinnon visited on January 23. As a surprise, All Saints presented Bishop Don with a new hand-carved crosier (bishop's staff) made from Vermont white maple – which Bishop Don designated his "US" crosier.

# Calendar of upcoming events – for your interest and prayer support

Feb 19 – Victoria, BC church planting workshop

Feb 25-27 – Good Shepherd (Vancouver) revival conference

Feb 28-Mar 2 – reFocus Canada, *Growing a Biblical Church*, (Willingdon Church, Burnaby, BC)

Feb (TBD) – Brandon, MB church planting workshop

March 3-5 - Blackburn Hamlet Church (Ottawa) - Healing the Whole Person seminar

March 5 – Langley, BC church planting workshop

April 2 – Ottawa, ON church planting workshop

March 21-22 - Asian Mission inaugural conference, Vancouver, BC

March 25-27 - ACiC renewal mission in Vancouver

March 29-31 – ANiC's 2011 clergy retreat near Abbotsford, BC

March 2 - Burlington, ON church planting workshop

April 12-14 - Gospel Coalition conference, Chicago, Illinois

April 30 – Montreal, QC church planting workshop

May 14 – Moncton, NB church planting workshop [Note corrected location!]

June (TBD) – Marlborough, MA church planting workshop

#### ANIC in the news

Church of England Newspaper – February 18 2011 – <u>Settlements and appeals in Canadian church</u> property cases

# On the front lines: Church plant and project profile

Many ANiC lay leaders, priests and even a bishop have taken up the Anglican1000 challenge to share the Gospel in new ways and focus on mission and church planting. This exciting and sometimes overwhelming vision has spurred on ANiC church planters – lay and ordained alike – to work hard as they slog through the trailblazing, excited to see what the Lord will do. With every newsletter we hope to offer a window into this ministry. This time we profile Christ Church of the Valley. Mill Bay, BC.

# Christ Church of the Valley, Mill Bay, BC

The Rev Andrew Hewlett is half-time associate priest at the Open Gate Church, Victoria, and part-time chaplain at the naval reserve unit in Victoria – HMCS Malahat. He is also busy with a core group of leaders planting Christ Church of the Valley.

During 2010, a small group began praying about establishing an ANiC fellowship in the Mill Bay/Shawnigan Lake area about a half hour north of Victoria. There is now a nucleus of about a dozen or so members who meet for worship in the Shawnigan Lake Community Centre on Sunday afternoons at 3pm. Currently they are focusing on prayer to seek God's guidance, on establishing Bible study groups, and on getting out into the community to meet people and build relationships. Andrew says, "While our goal is to develop a Christ-centred time of worship on Sundays, we have a growing sense that our growth needs to be a result of building relationships and making disciples."

This budding parish asks for prayer: "for wisdom for our core leadership group; for creative ways of connecting with the community (that we would find favour with believers and non believers in the community), and for financial resources. Pray that 'mission' and 'discipleship-making' would be in our 'DNA' from the beginning. Pray that we would continue to stay in 'the joy of the Lord' and that this would be our strength. (Although we have many challenges we are having a lot of fun!)"

Please do pray for the people of Christ Church of the Valley, and for all the young plants and projects developing across the country.

#### ANIC in the news

Vancouver Sun – February 12 2011 – <u>Anglican diocese asks nation's top court to end 'wasteful'</u> property battle

Winnipeg Free Press – February 11 2011 – <u>Mainstream Anglican church asks top court to dismiss</u> case by breakaway members

Anglican Journal – February 15 2011 – Ottawa churches settle dispute

#### **News – Anglican Church in North America (ACNA)**

# **ACNA** executive committee meets

The Anglican Church in North America's Executive Committee met in Phoenix, Arizona February 9-11, along with the Archbishop's Cabinet. Discussion topics included "international issues affecting"

our brothers and sisters in Christ around the Anglican Communion", the growing ACNA chaplaincy program, and plans for the ACNA 2012 Provincial Assembly. They also "received reports from the Liturgy and Common Worship Task Force and the Anglican Standards Task Force regarding criteria for approving seminaries". ANIC's moderator, Bishop Don Harvey, and treasurer, Claus Lenk, participated in these meetings.

# Anglican 4th Day assembly planned for Pittsburgh, August 4-7

The 2011 Anglican 4th Day (A4D) Provincial Ultreya (province-wide annual conference) will be held in Pittsburgh, August 4-7, 2011. The theme is "Living the 4th Day". A4D is ACNA's version of Cursillo. For information, see the A4D newsletter. For information on A4D see the ANIC website.

#### News - Canada

#### Your tax dollars at work

The Anglican Journal – the Anglican Church of Canada's internal magazine – is subsidized by Heritage Canada. A <u>news release</u> on a proposed governance change at the Journal stated that the "the editorially independent newspaper" was a "recipient of subsidies from Heritage Canada". The release states: "The Journal, although partly funded by the General Synod, has always been an independent voice, the content of which is under the editor's sole control. Heritage Canada, which provides postal subsidies for distribution of the national and diocesan newspapers, has assured the church that although editorial independence is a necessary criterion for receiving subsidies, the form of governance is irrelevant."

# Diocese of Ontario elects a new bishop

The Diocese of Ontario <u>has elected</u> the Rev Canon Michael Oulton to replace Bishop George Bruce on June 11. The Rev Oulton, a practicing lawyer, is a Wycliffe graduate and current rector of Christ Church (Belleville).

# Saint John, NB prayer service – 1st Friday of the month

<u>Threshold Ministries</u>, formerly known as the Church Army in Canada, has announced the start of monthly 10am prayer meetings on the 1st Friday of the month, beginning March 4, at 105 Mountain View Drive, Saint John, NB.

#### Canadian bishops head to Tanzania for more indaba

The <u>Anglican Journal reports</u> that a number of Canadian bishops – mostly from dioceses where same sex blessing is practiced – will meet with bishops from several African provinces on February 24-28 in Dar es Salaam. The dialogue is intended to heal relations and "help bridge a divide resulting from deep disagreements over the issue of human sexuality". Among the bishops are two primates from of the Churches of Tanzania and Burundi. According to the <u>Church of England Newsletter</u>, Bishop Michael Ingham (New Westminster) and Bishop James Tengatenga of Tanzania, and chair of the Anglican Consultative Council, will make "a presentation on human sexuality to the meeting".

#### Media bias opposed

The Evangelical Fellowship of Canada (EFC), of which ANiC is a member, has filed a complaint with the Canadian Broadcast Standards Council about a Radio-Canada (French CBC) program that aired on February 10<sup>th</sup>. The program in question, Enquête: "*A la droite de Harper*", portrayed Evangelical Christians in a highly unfavorable light and alleged that they have special access to and influence on the government. In its complaint, the EFC stated:

"This type of alarmist, stereotypical reporting misrepresents the place of Evangelicals in Canada and in relationship with Parliament. Evangelical Christians, comprising approximately 12% of the Canadian population, share core beliefs with all Canadian Christians. Canadian Evangelicals have grown as a movement over the last half century to encompass a widening diversity of Christian denominational traditions. Evangelicals hold a wide diversity of beliefs on

matters of public policy and substantially support Canada's major political parties in roughly the same ratios as their non-Evangelical neighbours."

#### Other Canadian headlines

Feb 14, 2011 – LifeSite News – <u>Christians accused of participating in Politics, Influencing Conservative Party</u>

#### **News – United States**

# Presiding Bishop appointed to President Obama's administration

The <u>Church of England Newspaper reports</u> that the Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori has been appointed to President Barack Obama's Advisory Council on Faith-based and Neighbourhood Partnerships.

#### South Carolina finalized defensive measures

A S Haley reports that the Episcopal Church (TEC) Diocese of South Carolina – one of the few orthodox dioceses remaining in TEC – has "... ratified on final passage the amendments to its diocesan Constitution which spell out that the Canons of the national Church are no longer recognized as binding in the Diocese, to the extent that they are inconsistent with the diocesan Constitution and Canons." This is the only diocese to take steps to protect itself from changes in TEC's constitution that are to take effect July 1 which give the Presiding Bishop unprecedented, and possibly unconstitutional, metropolitan powers. However, "three other dioceses have protested the scope" of these impending constitutional changes which focus largely on disciplinary proceedings against clergy.

#### News - International

# Further reflections on a "partial Primates' Meeting"

Writing in the American Anglican Council newsletter, Canon Phil Ashey reflects on the Archbishop of Canterbury's Dublin meeting that attracted only a 30% representation of the global Anglican Communion. He says, "Dr Williams has taken the faith and trust of those who believed he might act otherwise, and used the last several years to effectively undermine every Instrument of Unity within the Anglican Communion except his own office. Dublin spells the end of catholic order within the future of this Lambeth-led communion..." In the face of this "seeming disaster", Canon Ashey offers some helpful admonition based on the teaching of 2 Timothy 4:2 – "Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage – with great patience and careful instruction."

In another poignant analysis, the Rev Dr Philip Turner, writes: "In short, the Primates, in contradistinction to the request of the Lambeth Conference, are now powerful and influential in their own provinces but have no reach outside the locale in which they function....in the new arrangement extraordinary power has been concentrated in the hands of the Archbishop of Canterbury. The standing committee of the Primates is a "consultative council" to the Archbishop but has no "veto" over what he might decide to do. Indeed, neither the meeting of the Primates nor their standing committee has veto powers over the rulings of what appears of be an emergent monarchical Archbishop of Canterbury. The Archbishop is now Primus but no longer inter pares."

With its governance now fundamentally changed, Turner concludes the Communion has become "something else on top of which sits an Archbishop of Canterbury who claims novel authority yet does not enjoy the confidence of those provinces in which the majority of Anglicans reside."

As further evidence of the dysfunction, the <u>Church of England reports</u> that the Anglican Communion Council has appointed a US Episcopal Church (TEC) priest to an ecumenical council, despite the Archbishop of Canterbury's recent "ban on members of churches in violation of the Windsor Report serving on ecumenical dialogue committees". The TEC priest is "one of the author's [of] the Episcopal Church's apologia for gay 'bishops and blessings'." In Canon Phil Ashey's words, it appears the bureaucracy of the Anglican Communion "...make up the rules as they go along and then choose whether or not to abide by them". In another article, the same

publication questions the appointment of Toronto's Suffragan Bishop Linda Nicholls to the same ecumenical body given her endorsement of her diocese's implementation of same-sex blessings.

# **New Standing Committee of the Anglican Communion**

The list of elected members of the Primates Standing Committee is now public.

- Africa Archbishop Daniel Deng Bul Yak (Sudan) alternate Archbishop Bernard Ntahoturi (Burundi)
- Central, North, South Americas and the Caribbean Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori (US Episcopal Church) - alternate Archbishop John Holder (West Indies)
- Europe Bishop David Chillingworth (Scotland) alternate Archbishop Alan Harper (Ireland)
- Middle East and West Asia Bishop Samuel Azariah (Pakistan) alternate Bishop Paul Sarker (Bangladesh)
- South East Asia and Oceania Archbishop Paul Kwong (Hong Kong) alternate Archbishop Winston Halapua (Aotearoa, New Zealand & Polynesia)

David Virtue provides an analysis of these Primates.

Kenyan leader speaks out: Primate's absence from Dublin was misrepresented

At the recent Primates' Meeting in Dublin, 15 primates (a third of the leaders invited, representing 70% of the Communion's membership) did not attend. The Anglican Communion News Service (ACNS) announced that only seven primates absented themselves due to the presence of TEC Presiding Bishop Katherine Jefferts Schori at the meeting, even though most of the absent primates had publicly said they would not attend for this reason. Kenyan Primate Wabukala, for example, was said to have had "a diary conflict". However, a Kenyan bishop recently told the Church of England Newspaper (CEN), "...this explanation for Archbishop Wabukala's absence by the ACC staff was not entirely straight forward. The reason there was a diary conflict... was because Archbishop Wabukala had already told Dr Williams last autumn he was not going to Dublin if Bishop Jefferts Schori was present at the meeting. Archbishop Wabukala adjusted his schedule, removing the primates meeting from his calendar after Dr Williams issued the invitation to the US presiding bishop."

Another leader absent from the recent gathering of Primates, Nigerian Primate Nicolas Okoh, leader of the Communion's largest province, met privately with the Archbishop of Canterbury last week – his first trip to Lambeth since his election. CEN reported that the meeting would "provide an opportunity for Dr. Rowan Williams to mend fences with the Nigerian Church, which along with a majority of the African church has become estranged from Lambeth over the past three years."

#### Southern African bishops at impasse on same-sex blessings

The <u>Church of England Newspaper reports</u> that "The Southern African House of Bishops has deferred taking action on adopting guidelines for the blessing of same-sex unions, citing legal difficulties and theological divisions within its ranks...[T]he bishops released a pastoral letter at the close of their meeting confirming they were at an impasse." In their statement, however, the bishops added, "...our Church does not consider any relationship to be marriage unless it is the historic relationship of a man and a woman uniting, ideally for life."

At the same time, however, <u>VirtueOnline reports</u> that a priest in the Anglican Church of Southern Africa has been defrocked for his efforts to shine light on decades of homosexual abuse of boys by Anglican priests in Southern African dioceses.

#### **Covenant developments**

The <u>Anglican Communion News Service has announced</u> that a study guide and Q&A document are now available to help people interested in the Anglican Covenant.

Three provinces have now adopted the Covenant. The most recent is the <u>West Indies</u>, where Primate John Holder said, "For some, the document is only being seen in the light of sexuality

issues. That's a restrictive view. It is a document that can help us to function in relation to the many issues that will arise in the Communion. Today it's human sexuality, tomorrow it will be something else." Rather than seeing the document as a "punitive" tool, the Archbishop feels it will bring the Communion closer together, inviting members to "respect where others are in their journey."

# Around the Communion and the globe

**Egypt** – Speaking to <u>The Times</u>, Bishop Michael Nazir-Ali expressed concern that the radical Muslim regime could come to power, citing the broad-based protest against the Shah that preceded the radical Islamist regime now in power in Iran. Referring to Iran, he says, "...one by one they got rid of all the moderate Muslims, the secular parties and also the Communist Party... This must not happen in Egypt." Recently, Iran's spiritual leader Ayatolla Khamenei called Mubarak the "lackey of the Zionist regime" and called on the Egyptian people to bring about an Islamic revolution in Egypt.

Although Egyptian Christians are a minority group in Egypt, they constitute the largest Christian population in the Middle East. Mark Green of the Barnabas fund said that as a minority, the political upheaval leaves Egyptian Christians even more vulnerable.

Archbishop Mouneer Anis (Middle East) is quoted extensively in a Christianity Today article on Egypt. He says, "Like Jesus... We also need to... do good. Heal the sick and feed the hungry and preach the gospel. And I think that is our mission whatever happens. We should not be passive, we should be active, we should participate in the selection and election of our new president and we should cooperate with the new government. We need to do our part and God will do his part... We are not afraid. Whatever the outcome, the church is his, and we belong to him, and whatever he will allow, we will go through."

On the <u>Diocese of Egypt's website</u>, Archbishop Anis says, "We appreciate the role of the High Council of the Egyptian Army in achieving the dreams of our great nation, that Egypt would become a secular and democratic country in which all of its citizens enjoy their rights which will be quaranteed by the new Constitution."

Please continue to pray for Egypt, pray for the protection of the Christians there. Pray that radical Islam would not be permitted to reign in that country. Please do not forget to pray for the peace of Jerusalem.

**Ireland** – The Rt Rev Michael Jackson has been elected Metropolitan Archbishop of Dublin and Glendalough and Primate of Ireland. Like the Church of England, Ireland has two provinces – a senior Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All-Ireland – which is currently Archbishop Alan Harper – as well as a "junior" Archbishop of Dublin and Glendalough and Primate of Ireland.

**Uganda** – The Archbishop of Canterbury's <u>condemnation</u> of the recent murder of homosexual activist David Kato in Uganda, apparently offended both "conservatives" and "liberals". Liberals found fault with Dr Williams' defending Ugandan Archbishop Orombi from moral responsibility for the death. Conservatives were critical of the haste of his assumption that the murder was motivated by homophobia. According to Ugandan police reports, Kato was killed by a man with whom he had been sexually involved. Police suggest that the murder was not connected to the victim's activism, but was financially motivated. When asked by the Church of England Newspaper why Archbishop Williams chose to publicly condemn this murder and not the recent attack of the Anglican Christian worker in Jerusalem last month, Lambeth Palace spokesman responded, saying the "archbishop tends to condemn all violence and persecution when he comments on a particular murder or massacre, otherwise he would be sadly commenting most days."

#### Other international headlines

Christian Today – Feb 15, 2011 – <u>Britain must recover its Judeo-Christian discourse, says Nazir-Ali</u> Church of England Newspaper – Feb 18 2011 – <u>The Anglican Communion after Dublin</u> Living Church – Feb 11 2011 – <u>Editorial: Ecclesiology in the subjunctive</u> Church of England Newspaper – Feb 18 2011 – <u>Toronto gay blessings do not breach the moratoria</u> on gay blessings, ACC rules

#### Soul food

#### Of interest

- The Sydney Anglican <u>website recommends</u> signing up for <u>Covenant Eyes</u> software. The article says, "Covenant Eyes has been a life-saver for many men and women who are tempted to look at porn on their computer. It's a tool that not only offers a filter (so that certain content is inaccessible), but accountability. When you sign-up for an account your internet activity is logged, and the details sent to one or more accountability partners. It's also a very useful tool for parents who want to keep their children safe from unsuitable content."
- In <u>2-minute video</u>, Father Bruce Mason, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Lake Luzerne, NY, illustrates the importance of daily Bible study and prayer and how these practices help us find peace in Jesus.

# **Thought**

Don't let your worries get the best of you! Remember Moses started out as a basket case.

#### Just for fun

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I'VE TRIED TO EXPLAIN THAT HE'S GOING TO BE WITH ME FOREVER, BUT HE JUST DOESN'T GET IT

# Please pray...

For our **bishops and clergy** and their families – especially those battling illness

For **ANIC projects**, **church plants** and **parishes**, and for their proclamation of the Good News to those in their communities who desperately need new life in Christ

For the legal counsel for the **four ANIC parishes in the Vancouver area** as they await the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada on their application for leave to appeal

For other ongoing legal challenges faced by ANiC parishes, including the ongoing litigation involving **St Aidan's (Windsor**) and the ANiC parishes that were formerly in the **Diocese of Niagara** – and their mounting expenses

For all the **congregations** involved in court proceedings and disputes. Pray for a continued focus on, and blessing upon, their ministry in the midst of this turmoil. Pray for peace for the **wardens and trustees** who are on the front lines and bear the burden of risk and responsibility

For the **leaders and parishioners of the ACoC dioceses** pursuing eviction of and legal costs against ANiC congregations and wardens

For donations to the ANiC legal defense fund which supports parishes in disputes with their former dioceses

For the implementation by the Diocese of Maseno West (Kenya) of the <u>malaria prevention project</u>, which is sponsored by the **ARDFC**. May God use it to bless Kenyans and bring many into relationship with Christ

For **persecuted Christians**, especially in Egypt, Pakistan, Iraq, Somalia and other Muslim lands For **the Sudan** and the implementation of independence for the South.

For repentance and revival in **our hearts and in our nation**, for a hunger for God and a thirst for His Word

For all those in positions of leadership and influence in the **Anglican Communion**, that they would seek to honour and obey God above all else

For the **GAFCON and Global South Primates** of the Anglican Communion as they plan for meetings of orthodox Anglican leaders

# And now a word from our sponsor

And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit. And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

Joel 2:28-32