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News – ANiC and AEN

Announcing... Christ the King (Quispamsis, NB)

ANiC's moderator, Bishop Donald Harvey, has officially welcomed into ANiC [Christ the King](#) in Quispamsis, NB. The small congregation, led by the Rev Alan Reynolds, had been one of the satellite congregations of the Church of the Redeemer (Moncton, NB) before launching as a church plant. Its vision for reaching the community of Quispamsis, a growing suburb of Saint John, New Brunswick, has led it to offer fellowship breakfasts, marriage preparation and parenting courses, Alpha classes, Bible studies, and a nursing home ministry – among other things.

ANiC year-end is June 30 and we need your help to cover our shortfall

ANiC treasurer Claus Lenk tells us that, while ANiC expenses for the 2010-2011 budget year are below budget, donations from individuals have fallen very short as well, leaving us with a projected deficit of \$60,000 for the fiscal year. Will you prayerfully consider making a gift to the ANiC general fund before June 30 to help us balance the books? Thank you.

ANiC member survey has been extended until May 27

Have you completed the survey yet? If not, please take a few minutes to fill in the questions. As ANiC plans for the future, it is important that we have a clear picture of who we are corporately. You can get more information and access a link to the survey [on the ANiC website](#). Thank you!!

Update on the Anglican Relief and Development Fund Canada (ARDFC)

Japan disaster relief – The Anglican Church in Japan (NSKK) has confirmed receipt of the \$15,123 that ARDFC was able to send for disaster relief thanks to generous donations from ANiC members and parishes. They write, *“Thank you for your generosity for people in affected area... in some area people are still out of electricity, water and city gas. Very large number of displaced people are still in emergency shelter with out a proper living condition. The damage is so big... that it will be very long before people feel safe and comfortable. Please keep them in your prayers.”*

Malaria reduction project complete! We are winding down our Diocese of Maseno West (Kenya) malaria project thanks to a large donation received from an ANiC parish's fundraising efforts. All the funds have now been sent to the Diocese of Maseno West and we have already received wonderful reports from our contact as to the progress.

New project – For our next project we are partnering with the Diocese of Kindu in eastern Congo to cultivate new life in this war-torn region of Africa. The money we raise will fund the diocese's work in reintegrating and rebuilding the lives and livelihoods of people who fled during the civil war in the Congo. Although this war claimed an estimated three million lives, it has been largely ignored in the west. This \$50,000 project will fund training in both reconciliation and farming, as well as provide farm tools, seed and livestock for community members. A large donation has given us a good start on this project already. Information will be available soon on the [ARDFC website](#).

Thank you for supporting ARDFC's aid and development ministry.

Plant and Grow Moncton, May 28

ANiC's church growth and church planting conference is coming to Moncton, NB on May 28, 10am to 4pm at the Moncton Wesleyan Church. The speakers will be: William Beasley, Alex Cameron and Paul Donison. For information or to register, email [the Rev Don Hamilton](#) or call 506 962-6882. An information flyer is [posted on the ANiC website](#).

Job opportunities abound

We've added a [job opportunities page](#) to the ANiC website. It currently lists a number of openings, including:

- Part-time minister (16 hours/week), St Andrew's Church (Delta, BC)
- Assistant Minister, Evening Service, St John's Vancouver (Vancouver, BC)
- Ministry Support Manager, St John's Vancouver (Vancouver, BC)
- Associate priest, Anglican Network Church of the Good Shepherd (Vancouver, BC)
- Part-time summer music leader and keyboardist, Church of the Ascension (Langley, BC)

Bible in a Day workshops offered in BC

The *Bible in a Day* workshop is coming to Christ the King (Victoria, BC) on May 28, and to Saint Matthew's (Abbotsford) on June 11. This course provides an excellent overview of the Bible allowing participants to better grasp God's "big picture". For information and to register, see the [Christ the King website](#) or call Saint Matthew's at 604 853-2416.

News on Bishop Charlie

Bishop Don is in regular contact with Bishop Charlie Masters and is pleased to report that he is responding very well to his period of rest and recuperation. Bishop Charlie and Judy leave this week to spend some time with friends in Europe but he intends to be back to his duties with us by Pentecost. They are grateful for our prayers which are playing a big role in his recovery process.

Advance notice

ANiC communication will enjoy a hiatus from May 25 to June 25. Marilyn will take a short vacation, then join Bishop Stephen and his team for a short-term mission trip in Asia, and finally participate in ACNA meetings in California. During this time, there will be no newsletters. ANiC's webmaster and graphic designer, Daniel Hartwig, will also be away on vacation for the first three weeks of June. To discuss distribution of urgent prayer requests and important, time-sensitive information, please [email the ANiC office](#) or call 1-866-351-2642 ext 4007.

St Aidan's (Windsor, ON) in court

The case involving St Aidan's is expected to wrap up on Monday (May 16) in London, ON. For background information, see the [Windsor Star's article](#) entitled, the Diocese of Huron "wants to evict former parishioners". It states that, "A battle over scripture has become a war over bricks and mortar at St. Aidan's Anglican Church. The Diocese of Huron is taking its former parishioners at the Windsor church to court to evict them from the property." The article notes that "...the diocese penned a letter while the Anglican Church was being sued for abuse suffered by Aboriginal children in its residential schools. Presumably to protect church assets, the letter says the church buildings belong to their individual parishes and the diocese has no claim to them..."

ANiC's special counsel Cheryl Chang adds, "Although the parish had hoped to await the outcome of the Supreme Court of Canada's decision in the New Westminster case, the diocese of Huron insisted on pressing ahead with the trial."

"Please pray for the clergy and congregation as the court considers their legal status. Also, please pray urgently for donations to the ANiC Legal Fund to protect the parish Trustees from liability. This decision will set a precedent for other Anglican churches in the diocese and in Ontario."

Parish news

Saint Peter by the Park (Hamilton, ON) – Bishop Charlie Masters conducted a service of dedication on April 30 – which included the induction of the Rev George Quibell as rector, the installation of both the Rev Jasmin Hivale-Quibell and the Rev Susan Sanders-Tomlinson as deacons, and the presentation of licenses for various lay ministries to thirteen members of the congregation.

St Hilda's (Oakville, ON) is holding its fifth annual garage giveaway on May 28 – a garage sale where everything is free, tangibly demonstrating to the community that the love of God is a free gift.

Eternal Hope (Carleton Place, ON) – Bishop Don Harvey will visit Eternal Hope Anglican Church on May 29, celebrating Holy Communion and baptizing four members of the congregation, an adult parent and three children.

Christ The King (Toronto) – Bishop Don Harvey has appointed the Rev Jonathan Wong priest-in-charge and the Rev Robin Guinness priest associate effective May 15.

St John's Richmond is requesting prayer for all those participating in and helping with the remaining sessions of its six-week [Simply Christianity](#) course – which ends June 9. The course explores Luke's gospel and involves dinner.

Calendar of upcoming events – for your interest and prayer support

May 21 – [Holy Trinity](#) (Marlborough, MA) – Ordination of Bruce Thayer to the diaconate

May 25-27 – Richmond, BC – Anglican Coalition in Canada [church leadership conference](#)

May 28 – Moncton, NB [church planting workshop](#)

May 28 – St Hilda's (Oakville, ON) garage give-away event

May 28 - [Christ the King](#) (Victoria, BC) – Bible in a Day workshop

June 6-20 – Asian Mission [short-term mission trip](#) to Thailand and the Karan refugee camps

June 11 – Saint Matthew's (Abbotsford, BC) – Bible in a Day workshop

June 25 – [St Timothy's](#) (Montreal, QC) garage sale giveaway and youth barbeque

June 26 – St Alban's, Ottawa celebrates its last Sunday in its long-time building

June 30 – July 14 – Asian Mission [short-term mission trip](#) to China, working with disabled orphans

June (TBD) – Marlborough, MA [church planting workshop](#)

July 22-24 – [St Matthias & St Luke's](#) church camp with Bishop Don

Nov 2 – ANiC Clergy Day & laity spiritual life conference – both in Victoria, BC

Nov 3-4 – [ANiC synod](#), Victoria, BC

On the front lines: Growing and planting churches

Parish profile: Grace Anglican Church (Clayton, ON)

The people of [Grace Anglican Church in Clayton, ON](#), believe in faith-filled prayer. Prayer is part of everything they do, whether it is a healing service, a worship service or ministry in the community. Their vision is to reach their community just west of Ottawa. And even though the congregation is only in its fourth year, they are already seeing unchurched community members come to both Alpha and to services.

Grace is committed to being a vibrant part of their small community, winsomely demonstrating the joy, love and grace of Jesus to those who have never heard the Good News. Current ministries include regular, well-attended Alpha courses, a weekly Bible study, a mid-week worship and prayer evening, and a weekly healing prayer service. They are also active in the community, hosting an annual Community Christmas Bazaar, monthly potlucks, and other fun-filled community events.

About 26 members faithfully attend services in the local community hall – with a number of others attending irregularly. Of these, a good number are children. In order to reach the local teens, a youth Alpha is being planned for September.

Recently, a church member called and asked Grace's lay leader Trudy Hardy to come to over and pray for her very sick two-year-old. The lethargic child, with a temperature of 104° F, had just come back from the doctor's where she was diagnosed with pneumonia and an infection and prescribed antibiotics. Trudy and the child's family members gathered and prayed for the child. They noticed her tiny body shake and the fever broke. Within 30 minutes the little one was running around the house and asking for pancakes.

News – Anglican Church in North America (ACNA)

New health ministry started

A new ministry has been launched in ACNA. Anglican Health Ministries is led by executive director Dr Val Finnell. Dr Finnell, who is chief of the medical staff at Los Angeles Air Force Base in El

Segundo, California says, “As a Christian and medical person I have always wanted to integrate my work with my faith and in this new ministry I can bring the two together.” The ministry is intended to facilitate the collaboration among ACNA’s health care members and encourage local parishes to offer health ministries, such as free medical clinics, parish nursing, patient advocacy, community health evangelism, and disease support groups. VirtueOnline provides [more information](#).

Training in congregational growth, June 26-30

The American Anglican Council together with Acts 29 Ministries is offering four days of special training June 26-30 at Nashotah House Seminary, near Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Participants will learn practical skills for growing parishes in spirit and number. More information is on the [American Anglican Council website](#).

New ACNA diocesan bishop elected

The ACNA Diocese of San Joaquin [has elected](#) the Rev Dr Eric Menees to be the new diocesan bishop upon Bishop John-David Schofield’s retirement in October. Rev Menees is currently rector of the Anglican Church of the Resurrection in San Marcos, southern California.

US ACNA legal update

Texas – The ACNA diocese of Fort Worth [is facing another law suit](#), the fifth in the past 24 months.

Georgia – One of the oldest parishes in the US – founded in 1733 prior to the existence of the Episcopal Church – was [in Georgia Supreme Court appealing](#) a lower court decision. A decision is expected in several months. Christ Church Savannah is known as the *Mother Church of Georgia* and numbers John Wesley among its early priests.

California – A [church news release](#) announces that the California Supreme Court has ruled that St James Anglican Church has the right to defend its claim to its property by being allowed to present evidence in a court of law. This ruling returns the case to the Orange County Superior Court, vindicated the Churches position that an earlier ruling circumvented justice by not allowing the Church to present its evidence – especially a 1991 letter from the diocesan bishop that explicitly affirmed that the diocese had no claim on the property. Canon lawyer A S Haley [provides background and analysis](#) of this case.

News -- Canada

A Roman Catholic Ordinariate in Canada may be in jeopardy

[David Virtue reports](#) that Traditional Anglican Communion clergy in Canada were informed that the process of forming the Canadian Ordinariate has been placed on hold due to the unaccommodating actions of the Canadian Roman Catholic Church.

Demise of the United Church of Canada

Saturday’s National Post carried a [front page feature](#) which began, “*The United Church of Canada, which was formed 86 years ago with the grand vision to bring Protestants together “in one glorious national church,” is undergoing one of the most precipitous slides in modern religious history.*”

Anglican Planet in need of funds

The Anglican Planet, a voice for traditional Anglicanism in Canada, says it only has enough money to publish its Eastertide issue and needs to raise at least \$20,000 to publish four more issues in 2011. More information is [on the Anglican Planet website](#).

More Canadian news

Anglican Journal – May 12 2011 – [Huron confers doctor of divinity on US presiding bishop](#)

News – United States

Presbyterians join the Episcopal Church

The Presbyterian Church (USA) [has voted](#) to change its constitution and allow those living a homosexual lifestyle to be ordained as ministers, elders and deacons. The New York Times

reports that about 100 congregations have left the Church in the last five years. However one group of “conservatives” still within the Church, Presbyterians for Renewal, is said to be seeking a formal structure within the Church to shelter those congregations who disagree with this move. [Commenting on this decision](#), the Rev Albert Mohler says, “Clearly, this action could not have happened without this denomination having abandoned any required belief in the full authority, inspiration, and truthfulness of the Bible long ago.”

Links to more US news

VirtueOnline – April 23 2011 – [Playing the fear card: How Episcopal bishops intimidate the orthodox in their dioceses](#)

Living Church – May 2 2011 – [Quincy opposes Anglican Covenant](#)

Living Church – May 1 2011 – [San Joaquin OKs same-sex blessings](#) [TEC diocese of San Joaquin]

News – International

GAFCon Primates announce future international meetings and establish offices

The GAFCon Primates Council has [released a communiqué](#) from its meeting at the end of April. The Council, which is comprised of eight heads of Anglican Provinces, including our primate Archbishop Robert Duncan, announced plans for the second Global Anglican Future Conference (GAFCon) to be held in the first half of 2013. This will be preceded by a leadership conference in New York next year. GAFCon 1 was held in Jerusalem in 2008, bringing together over a thousand Anglican leaders from around the world, including hundreds of bishops.

These Primates also announced that they will set up two international offices to serve the work of GAFCon: One in Nairobi, Kenya to support the newly elected GAFCon chairman Archbishop Eliud Wabukala; and a GAFCon Global Coordination office in London with Bishop Martyn Minns of the ACNA and a missionary bishop of the Church of Nigeria serving as executive director.

The [unusually frank communiqué](#) is excellent and should be read in full as it very succinctly addresses a range of Anglican Communion issues. The communiqué includes the following:

- *“We are distressed that... we are still divided as a Communion... We were disappointed that those who organized the Primates meeting in Dublin not only failed to address these core concerns but decided instead to unilaterally reduce the status of the Primates’ Meeting. This action was taken with complete disregard for the resolutions of both Lambeth 1978 and 1998 that called for an enhanced role in “doctrinal, moral and pastoral matters”. We believe that they were seriously misled and their actions unacceptable.”*
- *“We believe that the theological principles outlined in the Jerusalem Declaration offers the only way forward that holds true to our past and also gives a sure foundation for the future” the Primates said.”*
- *“We believe that the provision of an [Roman Catholic] Anglican Ordinariate is intended to be a gracious gift but sadly one that also points out that our own Communion has failed to make adequate provision for those who hold to a traditional view of the faith. We remain convinced that from within the Provinces that we represent there are creative ways by which we can support those who have been alienated so that they can remain within the Anglican family.”*
- *“We continue to be troubled by the promotion of a shadow gospel that appears to replace a traditional reading of Holy Scriptures and a robust theology of the church with an uncertain faith and a never ending listening process. This faith masquerades as a religion of tolerance and generosity and yet it is decidedly intolerant to those who hold to the “faith once and for all delivered to the saints”. We believe that the theological principles outlined in the Jerusalem Declaration offers the only way forward that holds true to our past and also gives a sure foundation for the future.”*

The reference in the communiqué to a “shadow gospel” refers to the Rev Charles Raven’s new book, [Shadow Gospel: Rowan Williams and the Anglican Communion Crisis](#), which offers insight

into the theology of the Archbishop of Canterbury and how it is informing his leadership. In the book the Rev Raven writes, *“Although I seek to show that Rowan Williams’ theological vision is so problematic that a biblically faithful future for the Anglican Communion will have to come from elsewhere, I have not set out to portray him as an Antichrist or even to suggest that the current crisis is simply ‘his fault.’ He is interesting as much for what he illustrates about the Anglican Communion and its governance structures as for what he generates, being deeply shaped by the same theological and social trends which were straining the Communion well before he came to Canterbury.”* The Rev Charles Raven [wrote an editorial](#) applauding the GAFCon statement.

The Church of England Newspaper offers [a good analysis](#) while a brief [Anglican Perspective video](#) notes the highlights.

GAFCon called a “communion within the Anglican Communion”

Writing in the [Church of England Newspaper](#) on the election of the Primate of Kenya as the new chairman of the GAFCon Primates Council, George Conger says:

“[GAFCon] has also taken on political overtones, as it has emerged as a communion within the Anglican Communion, filling the vacuum left by the collapse of authority of the existing instruments of Communion: the Lambeth Conference, Primates’ Meeting, the Anglican Consultative Council and the Archbishop of Canterbury.

“In his 28 April letter, Dr Wabukala said he was excited about the opportunities the GAFCon movement presented for the Church. “It reminds me of my roots in the East African Revival when the renewing Spirit of God permeated the Church leading to a confession of sins, a thirst for God’s Word filling the converts with humility, a simple lifestyle and an unquestionable desire for evangelism. “It is my conviction that this same Spirit is at work in GAFCon,” he said.”

The Anglican Covenant gets more endorsements

Two more Provinces have endorsed the Covenant. The General Synod of the Church of Ireland recently [voted to subscribe](#) to the Covenant. The Church of the Province of South East Asia [also endorsed the document](#), but released a 3000 word statement detailing its rationale for the endorsement and outlining important caveats, including: 1) That signing Churches “unequivocally abide by Lambeth 1998 Resolution 1.10 in its spirit and intent” and uphold the orthodox faith and be committed to Biblical standards of moral and ethical holiness; and 2) That the Primates be the body that oversees the implementation of the Covenant.

From around the Communion and the world

England – The appointment of two new “flying bishops” for the Church of England [was announced](#). Also known as Provincial Episcopal Visitors, these new appointments fill vacancies left by two bishops who recently joined the Roman Catholic’s Anglican Ordinariate. These flying bishops provide alternative episcopal oversight for parishes which oppose the ordination of women.

Wales – Shrinking congregations [are forcing](#) the Church of Wales to rethink its structure and finances.

Egypt – [Christian Today reports](#) that, *“Bishop Michael Nazir-Ali has expressed concern over the future shape of the political landscape in the Arab world and Middle East after deadly clashes between Muslims and Christians in Egypt. Thousands of Christians have been camped out in Cairo’s Tahrir Square to protest against sectarian violence which left 12 dead at the weekend. Violent skirmishes spread through the rundown district of Imbaba in the western section of the city after conservative Salafi Muslims set fire to the Coptic church of Saint Mena on Saturday night. Another church nearby was also set ablaze... Bishop Nazir-Ali said the violence in Cairo “shows even more clearly that there is a worrying extremist radical Islamist element to the unrest in the Arab and Islamic world at this time”.*”

International Christian Concern provides [more information](#) on the deadly May 7th attacks which also left more than 200 wounded. The National [provides insight](#) into the Salafi movement which is behind much to the violence, promoting an extremist version of Islam.

Pakistan – Bishop Nazir-Ali [argues](#) that the remedy for extremism in Pakistan is to: 1) secure the countries borders, especially by settling the dispute with India over Kashmir; 2) monitoring internal media and schools for hate mongering; 3) regulating mosques to prevent sermons that instigate violence; 4) begin a concerted interfaith dialogue; and 5) encourage Pakistanis living abroad to press for Pakistan to become an open, tolerant and progressive nation – as the founders envisioned. [Writing in Standpoint magazine](#), Bishop Nazir-Ali also criticizes Western countries' hypocritical reluctance to condemn violence against Christians in the Middle East, South Asia and elsewhere.

Nigeria – [Compass Direct News reports](#) that Islamists attacked a village at midnight on May 4th wielding machetes, shooting, looting and setting 20 homes on fire. They killed 16 – one man, three women and 12 children – including the wife and two children of a Christian pastor. [Christian Today reports](#) that Nigerian Christians expect even more attacks in the wake of Osama bin Laden's death.

Syria – [International Christian Concern also reports](#) that Christians in Syria are also facing growing pressure from radical Islamists who threaten to force them to flee Syria.

Malaysia – Christian church leaders have been falsely accused of treason by a national newspaper. Anglican Bishop of West Malaysia Moon Hing Ng [told the Church of England Newspaper](#) that he believes the media is "...attempting to raise tensions so as to engineer a clamping down [on Christians] by the authorities."

Japan – [Barnabas Aid asks](#) for continued prayer for the traumatized survivors, Christians and aid agencies in Japan struggling with the triple disaster of earthquake, tsunami and nuclear crisis. It reports, "*There are more than 300 churches in the affected area; many have suffered the loss of pastors and church members, while other believers are still unaccounted for, and church buildings have been destroyed. A Japanese Christian leader... [is] appealing for prayer. He said: 'Pray for the churches in [the] northeastern area. Many churches lost their pastors, members, and buildings. Pray that they can stand strong in faith in Christ who stood on the raging water and who calmed the sea. This could be a wide open gate for the Gospel. We will conduct our rescue/relief mission through local churches.'*"

More international news

Church of England Newspaper – May 6 2011 – [Legality of Anglican Covenant in doubt](#)

Church Times – May 13 2011 – ['Disappointed' Primates announce GAFCon 2](#)

Church of England Newspaper – May 6 2011 – [Stand firm in the face of Western threats to cut aid, bishop declares](#)

Soul food

Of interest

A [three minute video on YouTube](#) entertainingly recites 100 phrases introduced into common English usage by the King James Bible.

Resources

- The [Australian Church League notes](#) that the recent Gospel Coalition conference featured a number of panel discussions on such interesting topics as:
 - *What I have learned after years of preaching Christ in the Old Testament*
 - *Getting to Know the Bible Personally as One Grand Narrative*
 - *How to Teach Children and Youth the Gospel Story*
- The [Sydney Anglicans website](#) has a blog on church welcome packs, offering 10 examples from various churches.

Championing life

[LifeSiteNews](#) says that a recent pro-life rally in Ottawa drew an estimated 15,000 marchers – many of them youth and young adults. At the March for Life event plans were announced for a “*defund abortion*” rally to be held in Toronto on September 17. Organizers noted that over \$80 million of taxpayer money is currently devoted to funding abortion in Canada. The [Globe and Mail](#) adds that “*The protest is held each May 12 to mark the 1969 passage of legislation that legalized abortion in Canada...*”

The [Toronto Sun](#) reports the sentiment in Canada on the abortion issue appears to be changing but is not reflected in the political sphere or in the media. It states that “*The majority of Canadians believe there should be some restrictions on abortion, according to a poll conducted ahead of Thursday afternoon’s annual March for Life on Parliament Hill. The results fly in the face of the political consensus in Canada in which all major party leaders at the federal and provincial levels are committed to the status quo. In Canada, there is no law on abortion and the procedure is funded with tax dollars through the health system, another issue where the country differs from their political masters.*”

Just for fun

One Sunday morning after service, the pastor noticed little Alex standing in the foyer of the church staring up at a large plaque. It was covered with names with small flags mounted on either side. The six-year old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so the pastor walked up, stood beside the little boy, and said quietly, “Good morning Alex.”

“Good morning Pastor,” he replied, still focused on the plaque. “Pastor, what is this?”

The pastor said, “Well son, it’s a memorial to all the young men and women who died in the service.”

Soberly they just stood together staring at the large plaque.

Finally in a barely audible, trembling voice little Alex asked, “Which service, the 8:45 or the 11:00?”

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Please pray...

For our **bishops and clergy** and their families – especially for restored health for Bishop Charlie

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 – especially for the newly launched Christ the King (Quispamsis, NB)

For **St Aidan’s (Windsor)**, its legal counsel and the court case concluding this week

For the four Vancouver-area ANiC parishes and their legal counsel as they await the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada on their application for leave to appeal

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 Anglican Church of Canada dioceses** pursuing eviction of and legal costs against ANiC congregations, clergy and wardens

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

For the implementation of **ARDFC’s new Congo project** seeking to help war-torn communities become reestablished and promote peace-making. May God use it to bless Congolese and bring many to Christ

For **persecuted Christians** especially in China, North Korea, Nigeria, Egypt, Pakistan, Iraq, Somalia, Afghanistan, Malaysia and other Muslim and Communist lands

For countries in **Africa and the Middle East** where radical Islamists are seeking to leverage the political instability to gain control

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

And now a word from our sponsor

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! O Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleas for mercy!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?

But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with him is plentiful redemption. And he will redeem Israel from all his iniquities.

Psalm 130