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Episcopal Network for Economic Justice
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The Consultation Platform 2009 post-Convention Follow-up Report

The Consultation is a coalition of thirteen independent organizations in the Episcopal Church committed to peace with justice. We came to the 2009 General Convention in Anaheim understanding clearly that The Episcopal Church is at a watershed moment in history. Our imperatives, in the original Platform can be read on our web site.

We called The Episcopal Church, gathered at this 2009 General Convention, to:

1. Continue the reformation of the Church.

- equip all the baptized for their ministry in the world and for their share in the governance and mission of the Church at every level of its life.
- remove all canonical obstacles to exercising the full baptismal ministry in the whole life of the Church.
- conform the canons to the baptismal theology of The Book of Common Prayer.

- ✓ B013 Equipping the Baptized for Ministry in TEC
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=990&type=Final
- ✓ D032 Nondiscrimination in Church Lay Employment
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=1003&type=Final
- ✓ D090 Making Church Forms and Paperwork Transgender Inclusive
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=1088&type=Final

C061 Amend Title III.1.2 was passed by a strong majority in the House of Deputies but transgender specific language was removed in the version passed by the House of Bishops. The House of Deputies then declined to concur.

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=939&type=Original

2. Maintain the historic principle of the autonomy of Provinces in the Anglican Communion

- Reaffirm that our Covenant is given by God in baptism
 - Celebrate the unique character of the polity of The Episcopal Church
 - Express our solidarity with the Anglican Church of Canada in their rejection of any Anglican Covenant.
- ✓ D025 Commitment and Witness to Anglican Communion speaks clearly of TEC's polity and its commitment to the Anglican Communion in the context of inclusion of LGBT folk and also addresses the Anglican Covenant.
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=986&type=Final

3. Invest in economic justice and eliminate poverty.

- support the UN Millennium Development Goals fully, including the 0.7% allocation of government funds.
 - advocate for worker justice, including the right to organize freely.
 - advocate for a single-payer national health care program to ensure health care for all people.
 - support equitable retirement policies in the Church
 - Call for a moratorium on the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) raids at workplaces, and in private residences
- ✓ B006 – Immigration: Economic Justice Implications addresses ICE issues
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=961&type=Final
 - ✓ C070 – Memorializing the Genesis Covenant

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=958&type=Final

- ✓ D014 – Environmental Justice
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=965&type=Final
- ✓ D031 – Support for climate change action
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=985&type=Final
- ✓ D039 – Fix Our Broken Labor Laws
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=1006&type=Final
- ✓ D048 – Adoption of a "Single Payer" Universal Health Care Program
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=1005&type=Final

4. Repent and make reparation for slavery.

- commission a report to acknowledge this chapter in our history, describe the Church's culpability and make recommendations for restitution.
 - support dioceses as they examine their responsibility and accountability for this violation of basic human rights
 - support governmental legislation and restitution.
- ✓ A143 – Extension of General Convention Resolution A123 to General Convention 2012
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=848&type=Final
 - ✓ A144 – Extension of Resolution A127 to General Convention 2012
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=849&type=Final

5. Dismantle racism and oppression.

- renew the call to every diocese and Episcopal seminary to mandate anti-racism training
 - accomplish inclusive representation at all levels of Church leadership
 - call for an end to scapegoating, discrimination and injustice against immigrants
- ✓ A142 – To Recommit to Being Anti-Racists for the Next Three Triennia (Until 2018)
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=847&type=Final
 - ✓ A104 – Multicultural Leadership Development directs Task Force to develop multicultural ministries
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=809&type=Final

6. End the culture of violence

- work for the end of violence against women, children, and sexual and gender minorities throughout the world.
- work to change federal budget priorities that fuel the culture of violence at the expense of health and welfare at home and peace abroad.
- include in Safe Church training an orientation to issues of domestic violence and appropriate responses.
- confess the violence inherent in using language for worship that is not inclusive, expansive, or hospitable.
- educate about human trafficking and work for its elimination.
- end the funding of violence against the Palestinian people
- reject the use of pre-emptive or preventive strike military strategy, and the current U.S. military policy of "full spectrum dominance"

A042 – No First Use Military Action

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=746&type=Final

- ✓ A167 Trafficking speaks against and urges local action to address this.
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=872&type=Final
- ✓ C020 – Condemnation of Torture
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=672&type=Final
- ✓ C048 Support for a Fully Inclusive Employment Nondiscrimination Act
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=698&type=Final
- ✓ D012 Support of Transgender Civil Rights
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=955&type=Final
- D060 – Reject Nuclear Options
http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=1051&type=Final
- ✓ D078 – Ban Cluster Bombs

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=1084&type=Final

7. Build a culture of peace.

- call for an end to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and emphasize negotiation, diplomacy and rebuilding.
- add peace, justice, and nonviolence studies to the curricula of all Episcopal schools, colleges, and seminaries.

✓ A034 – Advocacy for Cuba

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=738&type=Final

✓ A036 – Haiti

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=740&type=Final

✓ A041 – War in Iraq

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=746&type=Final

✓ C051 – Wounded Soldiers and Veterans

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=901&type=Final

✓ D084 – Solidarity with the Church & People of Pakistan

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=1089&type=Final

8. Embrace the full inclusion of all the baptized in all the sacraments

- affirm that all orders of ministry are open to all the Baptized who are otherwise qualified.
- urge clergy to refuse to function as civil magistrates in marriage and to re-affirm their authority to bless all faithful relationships

✓ C056 – Authorizes “generous pastoral support” for blessing marriages, unions & partnerships and collection of liturgical resources for consideration at GC2012

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=897&type=Last

✓ D025 – Supports inclusive ordination processes for ALL orders of ministry

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=986&type=Final

9. Save the Earth from environmental catastrophe

- mandate (or affirm) detailed energy audits and conservation measures, including recycling, in all Episcopal Church facilities and programs.
- commit The Episcopal Church to purchasing electric power from renewable sources.
- call for the federal government to fund fully its Environmental Protection Agency Superfund.
- call upon our government to commit to the Kyoto Protocols.

✓ A045 – Restricting Use of Bottled Water, Energy, and Water Conservation

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=749&type=Final

✓ C064 – Endorsement of Earth Charter

http://gc2009.org/ViewLegislation/view_leg_detail.aspx?id=703&type=Final

10. Urge renewed attention to domestic HIV/AIDS

- advocate for extensive HIV/AIDS and sex education in public institutions, particularly for young people
- work to eliminate stigma and discrimination, the major obstacles to effective HIV/AIDS prevention and care.
- support bills requiring states to provide Medicaid coverage to all people who are HIV positive.