

The Five Marks of Mission

The national office of the Anglican Church of Canada works to live out the Five Marks of Mission, mission priorities used widely around the Anglican Communion.

They are:

- 1. To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom**
- 2. To teach, baptize and nurture new believers**
- 3. To respond to human need by loving service**
- 4. To seek to transform unjust structures of society**
- 5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth**

A 6th Mark proposed:

The November 2007 motion, approved by the Council of General Synod, reads as:

THAT this Council of General Synod endorse the recommendation of the Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee that the Anglican Consultative Council consider adding a Sixth Mark of Mission to its current list, that relates to peace, conflict transformation, and reconciliation.

RATIONALE.

- Many Anglicans around the world have identified that God is calling the Anglican Church to the work of peace, conflict transformation and reconciliation. We are aware of such work being undertaken by the Anglican Church in the following places:
 - Southern Sudan,
 - Rwanda,
 - Burundi,
 - Democratic Republic of Congo,
 - Lanka,
 - Myanmar (Burma),
 - Korea,
 - Jerusalem/Palestine,
 - Canada,
 - Northern Uganda.
- The Anglican Peace and Justice Network met recently in Rwanda and Burundi and lifted up the work of peace, conflict transformation and reconciliation as critical for the whole Anglican Communion.
- Participants at the TEAM Conference in South Africa in July of this year noted that effective work on the Millennium Development Goals is impossible in situations of war and serious unresolved conflict.
- The PMEJ Committee recommends that the Anglican Consultative Council decide for itself the wording to describe the suggested 6th Mark of Mission.