

Analysis of General Convention Resolutions on the Anglican Covenant

Resolution	A126	A145	B005	B006	D006	D007	D008
Proposer	Executive Council	Executive Council	Bp. Ian Douglas	Bp. John Bauerschmidt	Mr. Jack Tull	The Rev. Susan Russell	The Rev. Tobias Haller
Title	Consideration of the Anglican Covenant	Continue Dialogue in the Anglican Communion	Ongoing Commitment to The Anglican Covenant Process	Affirming the Anglican Covenant	Consideration of a Covenant for Communion in Mission	Response to Anglican Covenant	Affirm Anglican Communion Participation
Thanks	Express profound gratitude to Anglican Covenant authors	Express profound gratitude to Anglican Covenant authors	Express profound gratitude to Anglican Covenant authors	Express profound gratitude to Anglican Covenant authors for Covenant as expression of mutual responsibility and interdependence in the Body of Christ		Give thanks to those who have worked to increase understanding and strengthen relationships among Communion churches	Thank Archbishop of Canterbury for tireless efforts to sustain and strengthen unity in difficult times
Communion Membership				Reaffirm historic commitment to constituent membership in Anglican Communion		Recognize that Communion churches are properly drawn together by bonds of affection, participation in common gospel mission, and consultation without coercion or intimidation	Rejoice in fellowship of Anglican Communion, rooted in shared worship and held together by bonds of affection and common appeal to Scripture, tradition and reason
Participation in Communion	Commit to continued participation in Communion councils and dialogue with other provinces to deepen understanding and to ensure integrity of Anglican Communion	Commit to continued participation in Communion councils and dialogue with other provinces to deepen understanding and to ensure integrity of Anglican Communion	Commit to continued participation in Communion councils and dialogue with other provinces to deepen understanding and to ensure integrity of Anglican Communion	Recommit to living in Communion of Churches with autonomy and accountability by acknowledging interdependent life and seeking shared mind with other Churches	Commit to continued participation in Communion councils and dialog with other provinces to work together for common mission to bring God's word to all people and help those afflicted by poverty, hunger, disease and other disasters	Reaffirm commitment to fellowship of autonomous national and regional churches that is the Anglican Communion	
Other Communion Commitments					Commit to IASCOME "A Covenant for Communion in Mission" so that provinces can be effective in promoting God's presence and healing to the broken and disenfranchised		

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Self-restraint	Recommit to dialogue with provinces when adopting innovations that may be seen as threatening Communion unity	Recommit to dialogue with provinces when adopting innovations that may be seen as threatening Communion unity	Recommit to dialogue with provinces when adopting innovations that may be seen as threatening Communion unity				
Action on Covenant	Unable to adopt in present form	Unable to adopt in present form	Embrace affirmations and commitments of Preamble and Sections 1–3 of Covenant to demonstrate dedication to Communion unity	Affirm Covenant and commit to adoption to live into ecclesial communion and interdependence with [which?] is foundational to Churches of the Anglican Communion	Decline to adopt Covenant	Decline to adopt Covenant after considering merits and believing agreement contrary to Anglican ecclesiology and tradition and to the best interests of the Communion	
Autonomy				Recognize that mutual commitment is not submission to external ecclesiastical jurisdiction and is entered into according Episcopal Church polity			

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Other Covenant-related Action			Ask Presiding Officers to appoint Executive Council task force to consult with Standing Commission on Constitution and Canons, at least one church historian, and TEC's AAC members to monitor development of Anglican Covenant with particular attention to Section 4; document changes needed to Constitution and Canons of TEC to adopt Covenant; analyze how those changes may alter TEC identity and polity; and consider other matters helpful to TEC's continued unity with other Communion churches	Ask Presiding Officers to appoint task force to assist Standing Commission on Constitution and Canons in preparation of changes needed to make Covenant constitutionally and canonically active and effective, and to prepare historical and theological study guide and other teaching materials deemed useful	After extensive study, TEC is unable to reach consensus and is unwilling to expend additional resources on Covenant		
Follow-up to Other Covenant-related Action			Task Force should report findings and recommendations to Executive Council and, through Council, to 78th General Convention	Task Force should complete work in time for 78th General Convention to take appropriate action			
Financial Commitment				Request Joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget and Finance to consider allocating \$20,000 for implementation of resolution			

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Other Episcopal Church Action						<p>Call on Episcopal Church leaders at all levels to seek opportunities to strengthen and restore relationships between TEC and sister churches of Communion</p>	<p>Call on Episcopal Church leaders to maintain and reinforce strong links across Communion and to deepen TEC involvement with existing Communion ministries and networks (especially Continuing Indaba and Mutual Listening Process); to publicize and promote such work within dioceses to broaden understanding of, and enthusiasm for, Anglican Communion; and to encourage wider understanding of, and support for, next meetings of ACC and Lambeth Conference</p>

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