

Partner Name: Anglican Consultative Council

Primary purpose of relationship:

The role of the Anglican Consultative Council (ACC) is to facilitate the co-operative work of the churches of the Anglican Communion, exchange information between the Provinces and churches, and help to co-ordinate common action. It advises on the organization and structures of the Communion, and seeks to develop common policies with respect to the world mission of the Church, including ecumenical matters. The ACC membership includes from one to three persons from each province. Where there are three members, there is a bishop, a priest and a lay person. Where fewer members are appointed, preference is given to lay membership. The ACC is where the full array of the Church in Canada meets with its Provincial partners.

The members at this time: The Rt. Rev. Susan Moxley, The Very Rev. Peter Elliott; Suzanne Lawson

The Anglican Consultative Council is the source of the Marks of Mission and lives through that perspective. It has just voted to change the wording of the Fourth Mark, at the request of the Anglican Church of Canada. It will now read: **To seek to transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and to pursue peace and reconciliation.**

Years of relationship history and plans for continuation or not:

We have been involved in the ACC since its inception and will continue as members unless the ACC votes to remove us because of the differences between the way we have interpreted Scripture and polity from the way that several other Provinces do.

Dollar value of budget designation:

Unknown, but a budget item annually of about \$75, 000. We are asked much more than we have given and it can look on the annual budget of ACC that we are not as committed as some others.

Connections between this global relationship and Anglicans in Canada:

Individual members tell the story of the meetings as does the General Synod and The Anglican Journal. Anglicans are highly associated with the various Anglican Communion Networks that report in through the ACC (Environment, Women, Safe Church, Peace and Justice, Indigenous People, Health and so on).

This is an extremely important meeting/group to be part of...a chance to connect with ALL parts of the Anglican world at once and in many formal and informal settings and experiences.

Submitted by Suzanne Lawson