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Dear Friends:

Your prayers and action are invited on Thursday, September 25 when we will bring home from Lambeth the *Walk of Witness* for the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). Together on that day, Anglicans and Lutherans will lead an ecumenical event in Ottawa including worship at Christ Church Cathedral, a public walk, and an act of witness through a joint statement at the UN Association Office.

Walk of Witness – Bringing it Home coincides with a gathering of world leaders, including Prime Minister Stephen Harper, at the United Nations in New York to re-energize the world's commitment to the Millennium Development Goals.

This event is in response to an urgent call to action by the Archbishop of Canterbury and Prime Minister Gordon Brown at Lambeth in July, and we invite you to:

1. Join in prayer and action in the *Walk of Witness – Bringing it Home* taking place in Ottawa on September 25.
2. Raise awareness and promote action in your own diocese and community of the urgent need to eliminate world poverty.

We have produced various resources for parish use – bulletin announcements; a fact sheet; liturgical resources; guidelines for questioning candidates in the federal election; links to MDG-related web sites. These resources are expected to be on line by September 12. Please go to:

www.anglican.ca/walkofwitness

The *Walk of Witness – Bringing it Home* event and action are part of a larger initiative to mobilize churches around the ongoing scandal of global and national poverty. The following month, KAIROS will engage churches in *Week to End Poverty*, October 12-19.

http://www.kairoscanada.org/e/antipoverty/action/Week_to_End_Poverty_200-1.pdf

Echoing the words of Archbishop Rowan Williams on July 24 in London:

“This walk will be a poignant public act of commitment by the Anglican Communion and other faith groups to continue to put pressures on those who have the power and resources to help end extreme poverty across the globe. It will be about pledging, as a Church, to play our part in continuing to develop lasting solutions. It will also be a walk where we will be in step with those who know at first hand the impact that the unfair distribution of the world's resources can have on daily living and life opportunities.”

Let's bring the Walk home.
In Christ,

The Most Reverend Fred Hiltz
Primate, The Anglican Church of Canada

The Rev. Susan C. Johnson
National Bishop, the Evangelical Lutheran Church
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