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# The Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe

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Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

The excitement that we all felt at our last convention in Florence is building in me, as we approach the next gathering for you to outline *Vision 2012*, the Convocation's third strategic plan for our lives together. What does the future hold for us?

Remember, Mission 2000 was the first such plan, and it propelled us forward with great energy and accomplishment. We began to decide how to govern ourselves by electing a bishop for Europe. We launched new churches, published four bilingual Prayer Books, now used around the world, built up Youth Across Europe, and started the European Institute of Christian Studies. Mission 2006 continued the growth by focusing on building the structures that allow us to work and minister together, while keeping our eyes firmly on our mission as the Church here in Europe, welcoming all who want to be welcomed. Since 1999, when Mission 2000 was decided, the Episcopal churches scattered across Europe have become a united body, able to govern ourselves and provide for those needs our individual congregations cannot meet alone.

Now it is time to gather again to discern the future together, seeking the blessing and guidance of the Holy Spirit. We know what has happened when we have trusted that we have a part of God's mission to accomplish. It is essential that we pause to ask what the Spirit has in store for us to come, what blessings are to be showered upon us, how many more lives will Christ touch through our ministries.

Therefore, as your Bishop, I am calling for each parish and mission to send two representatives and their clergy to gather at the **SCHLOSS FURSTENRIED, MUNICH, GERMANY, ON FRIDAY EVENING, JUNE 8 AND SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 2012 AND SUNDAY A.M. JUNE 10, 2012** to discern God's will for us together.

The Vision 2012 strategy committee is fine-tuning the program for the June consultation, and is working to develop other Vision 2012-related activities and materials. A more detailed letter about the project will soon be forthcoming from the committee.

The future belongs to God, and Jesus promised to be with us now and always, until that future is fully realized. I am looking forward with anticipation to learning what our future in God looks like.

Yours in Christ,

Bishop Pierre

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