

Vision Planning for the Anglican Church of Canada



Where we've come from....



Solemn Declaration 1893

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, Amen.

WE, the Bishops, together with the Delegates from the Clergy and Laity of the Church of England in the Dominion of Canada, now assembled in the first General Synod, hereby make the following Solemn Declaration:

WE declare this Church to be, and desire that it shall continue, in full communion with the Church of England throughout the world, as an integral portion of the One Body of Christ composed of the Churches which, united under the One Divine Head and in fellowship of the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church, hold the One Faith revealed in Holy Writ, and defined in the Creeds as maintained by the undivided primitive Church in the undisputed Ecumenical Councils; receive the same Canonical Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as containing all things necessary to salvation; teach the same Word of God; partake of the same Divinely ordained Sacraments, through the ministry of the same Apostolic Orders; and worship One God and Father through the same Lord Jesus Christ, by the same Holy and Divine Spirit who is given to them that believe to guide them into all truth.

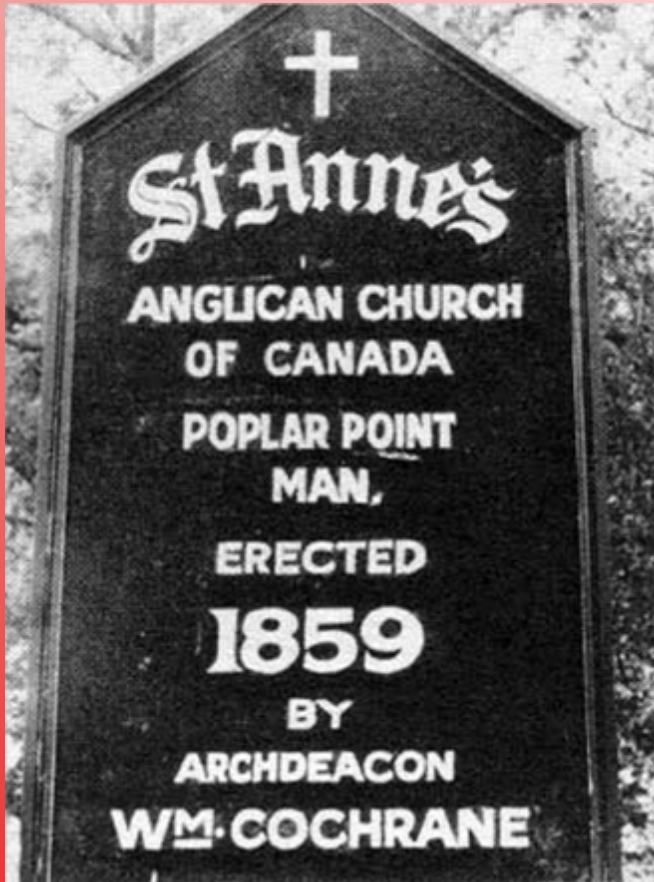
And we are determined by the help of God to hold and maintain the Doctrine, Sacraments, and Discipline of Christ as the Lord hath commanded in his Holy Word, and as the Church of England hath received and set forth in *The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church according to the use of the Church of England; together with the Psalter or Psalms of David, pointed as they are to be sung or said in Churches; and the Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining and Consecrating of Bishops, Priests and Deacons* and in the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion; and to transmit the same unimpaired to our posterity.

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The “Netten Report” 1968



“One Church-One Mission”

“Preparing the Way” 1994 - 2004



*“Focus on Partnerships,
Anglican Identity,
Social Justice,
Information and
Financial Services
to Dioceses”*

“Serving God’s World, Strengthening the
Church: A Framework for a Common
Journey in Christ”
2004 - 2010

We envision a church growing in membership, faith, and service in God’s world.



Where are we now?



- Need a new plan to guide the work of the General Synod

Where are we now?



- To work with our new Primate

Where are we now?

Clergy test rulings on same-sex blessings

September 4, 2007

Legal experts tackle same-sex questions

Marites N. Sison
staff writer

Sep 4, 2007

- To respond to changing conditions in Canadian Anglicanism

Courts weigh church conflicts

Dioceses seek access to parishes

Solange De Santis

Staff Writer

May 1, 2008

2019 Vision Planning Task Force Group for the Anglican Church of Canada



- Grows out of resolution of CoGS November 2007
- Developed by the Planning and Agenda Team
- First meeting March 11-14, 2008

Members of the Task Group

- Chair: Dean Peter Elliott
- Members: Mr. Wayne Barnes (Niagara),
Bishop John Chapman (Ottawa), Mr. Paul Goulet
(Toronto), Archdeacon Janet Griffith (Montreal),
The Reverend Susan Titterington (Yukon)

Mandate

- To develop, in consultation with the Council of General Synod, a strategic plan for the mission priorities for the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada for the years 2010-2019, ensuring consultation with dioceses, provinces, committees, councils and boards, partners, the House of Bishops
- To engage the Council with this work, taking direction from the CoGS and working collaboratively with the Planning and Agenda Team

Mandate

- To ensure alignment with the Governance Working Group's work
- To have a draft plan ready by February 2010 for approval by the Council of General Synod to present to General Synod in June 2010

Phase 1: *Getting Organized*

Spring and Fall 2008

Focus on mission!

- Developing workplan: including consultation strategy: publicize widely that the General Synod is in a planning process and invites input (2019 Vision poster)
- Ensure consultation at *Generation 2018*



Phase 1: *Getting Organized*

Spring and Fall 2008

Focus on mission!



- Review and study previous planning reports (Netten, Preparing the Way, the Framework and others)
- Consult with Management Team
- Develop ways (using best technology) to consult widely with the Canadian public on their hopes and visions for the life of the Anglican Church of Canada

Phase 1: *Getting Organized*

Spring and Fall 2008

Focus on mission!

- Develop a congregation based on *Mission Study* for Lent 2009, seeking to engage Canadian Anglicans in a reflection on the priorities for mission in the Canadian Anglican church
- Planning documents received from all dioceses: review of what dioceses have developed and prepare report on directions and differences



The Anglican Way: Signposts on a Common Journey

1. Formed by Scripture

*Anglican Way Consultation
Singapore, May 2007*

The Anglican Way: Signposts on a Common Journey

2. Shaped through Worship

The Anglican Way: Signposts on a Common Journey

3. Ordered for Communion

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4. Directed by God's mission

Five Marks of Mission

- **The Mission of the Church is the mission of Christ**

Five Marks of Mission developed by the Anglican Consultative Council between 1984 and 1990--a practical checklist for diocesan and parish mission work

Five Marks of Mission

1. To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom

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2. To teach, baptize and nurture new believers

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3. To respond to human need by loving service

Five Marks of Mission

4. To seek to transform unjust structures of society

Five Marks of Mission

5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

Phase 2: *Consulting with Canadian Anglicans*

Lent and Easter 2009

Focus on vision for Mission 2019



- Publicizing widely the Lent 2009 parish based study program: development of materials (text and video) available through website and mail
- Ensuring a reliable and efficient way to receive responses from individuals and congregations from the study program

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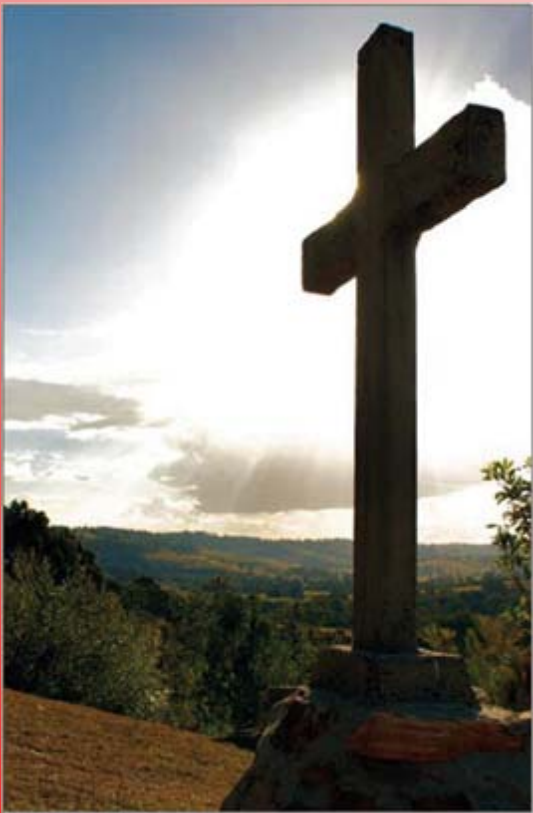
- Continue to seek the opinions, views and advice from a wide variety of stakeholders
- Inviting the Primate and the National Anglican Indigenous Bishop to use their visits as a time to hear people's hopes and dreams for the work of the church nationally



Phase 2: *Consulting with Canadian Anglicans*

Lent and Easter 2009

Focus on vision for Mission 2019



- Developing a presentation of vision and values to House of Bishops and CoGS May 2009: Bishops and CoGS members to consult on this in their dioceses

Phase 3: *Listening to what we've heard*

Summer to Christmas 2009

Focus on Priorities for Vision 2019

- Compiling responses from Lent study, development of consultations for Provincial Synods on developing vision and values, development of key direction and priorities
- Presentation of first draft to House of Bishops and CoGS October/November 2009; Bishops and CoGS members to consult on this in their dioceses



Phase 4: *Developing a Compelling Case*

Winter to Spring 2010

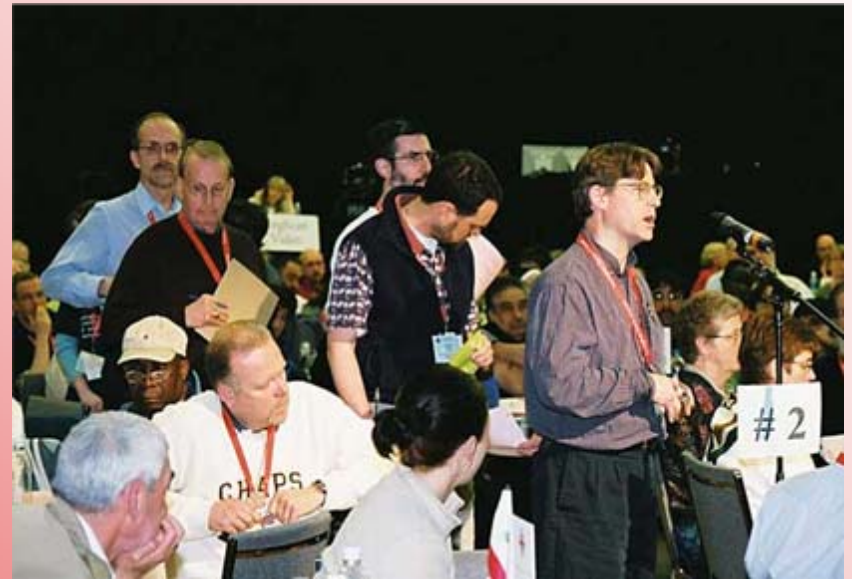
Focus on Developing Consensus for Vision 2019



- Incorporation of feedback from Provinces, CoGS, House of Bishops: development of final report for CoGS March 2010

Phase 5: *Presenting Vision 2019*

- Preparation, planning for presentation and distribution of report for General Synod 2010



Role of CoGS Members

- In leadership as the plan is developed – plan will come to General Synod 2010 from the Council of General Synod
- In consultation – to find ways to connect with your dioceses to share what's happening, encourage parishes and groups to participate in Mission Study, and to consult re: developing plan
- In prayer – seeking the guidance of God the Holy Spirit as we open ourselves to be part of God's mission
- In critical feedback – reading reports and giving feedback as the report develops

Key Points

- Focus on God's mission and how we can be a part of it
- Respond to changing circumstances
- Work together to produce a vision and report that can guide the work of the General Synod for the next 3 triennia
- Work cooperatively with the Planning and Agenda Team, the Governance Task Force and the Task force on the future of the Primacy to coordinate and align efforts

Seek to work cooperatively
with the Management Team
and to engage staff with the
process and the report

Questions and Comments

Report of the Strategic Planning
Process Task Force to the
Council of General Synod
through the Planning and
Agenda Team
April 30, 2008

For Action:

1. That the Council of General Synod approve the change in name of the Strategic Planning Process Task Force to *2019 Vision Planning Task Group*

For Action:

2. That the Council of General Synod approve revised terms of reference

For Action:

3. That the Council of General Synod approve the overview of the Planning Process