

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE 226th CONVENTION

Resolution #1

Title: Campus Ministries for Community Colleges

Sponsored by: Deacon Cecily Sawyer Harmon, Cathedral Church of St. John
The Rev. Paul Gennett, Rector, St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Newark
The Rev. Dr. Jo Ann Barker, Rector, St. Anne's Church, Middletown
Deacon Patricia Malcolm, Chaplain, Christiana Hospital, Christ Church, Dover
The Rev. Jeffrey Ross, Rector, St. Peter's Church, Lewes
Deacon Katherine Tate, St. Peter's Church, Lewes

WHEREAS the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware is committed to the mission and evangelism to colleges and universities; and

WHEREAS The Diocese of Delaware and its parishes affirm the need to expand this mission to community colleges;

BE IT RESOLVED that this 226th convention of the Diocese of Delaware submit the following resolution to the 77th General Convention of the Episcopal Church:

WHEREAS the House of Deputies concurring, the 77th General Convention of the Episcopal Church reaffirm our commitment to the Episcopal Church Strategic Planning Survey Report's statement that "The Church needs to see campus ministry and young adult ministry as the most important evangelism and mission area there is. It is where our culture is the most dynamic, most committed, most culturally diverse"; and

WHEREAS The Episcopal Church recognize the increasing importance of community colleges as critical places for evangelism and Christian formation, particularly among racially, ethnically, and socioeconomically diverse populations.

BE IT RESOLVED that to respond to this pastoral need, the General Convention support the creation of two new campus ministries at community colleges in each of the nine Provinces of the Episcopal Church and provide training for local leaders of these mission initiatives; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Convention direct the Office of Young Adult & Campus Ministries at the Episcopal Church Center, in cooperation with the Provincial Coordinators for Campus Ministry, to oversee a process for application for and allocation of grants to fund these new missions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the General Convention requests the joint Standing Committee on Program, Budget, and Finance to consider a budget allocation of \$760,000 for the implementation of this resolution.

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Resolution #2

Title: Resolve to Become a Transformed Diocese

Sponsored by: The Rev. Ed Godden, Interim Rector, Ascension Church
The Rev. Canon Lloyd Casson
The Rev. David Andrews, Rector, Sts. Andrew & Matthew
The Rev. Al Holland, Retired
The Very Rev. Bill Lane, Interim Rector, Cathedral of St. John
The Rev. Ruth Lawson Kirk, Rector, Christ Church Christiana Hundred
Deacon Pat Malcolm, Christ Church, Dover
Deacon Cecily Sawyer Harmon, LCSW, Chaplain,
Episcopal Campus Minister, University of Delaware. Province 111
The Rev. Rod Welles, Associate Priest, Sts. Andrew & Matthew

WHEREAS, the 224th Convention of the Diocese of Delaware called the Diocese to a Day of Repentance to confess complicity in perpetuating the sins of racism and slavery and apologize for the church's role in the enslavement of African-Americans and the subsequent years of racial injustice.

WHEREAS, a Liturgy of Repentance was held at the Cathedral Church of Saint John in Wilmington, Delaware on October 30th, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Diocese of Delaware desires to encourage congregations in the Diocese to continue to understand the impact of racism on our common life and to strengthen the bonds of affection amongst all members of the Diocese; and

WHEREAS, the Diocese has invited Bertice Berry to come to the Diocese to enable this conversation to begin, or in some congregations continue, on March 26, 2011.

BE IT RESOLVED that this 226th Convention of the Diocese of Delaware, meeting at the Sheraton Hotel in Dover, Delaware, invite every parish to begin a period of study and reflection upon Ms. Berry's book, *The Ties That Bind* in preparation for her visit next month; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Diocese of Delaware will continue to pursue the vision of becoming a transformed diocese, welcoming to all.

Supported by: Pat Van-Catledge, Tanisha Julius, Joyce Bembry, David Christopher, Norwood Coleman, Andrea Davis, Pat Hampton, Herb Quick, Teri Quinn Grey