

**GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2009
ARCHIVES' RESEARCH REPORT**

RESOLUTION NO.: 2009-D051
TITLE: "The 80-Cent Solution": Support for World Missionaries
PROPOSER: The Rev. Dr. R. David Cox
COMMITTEE: Stewardship and Development

Directly Related: (attached)

1997-A204 Develop Partnership for Global Mission
1991-A068 Uphold and Promote the Cross-cultural Missionary Vocation
1991-A233 Request Support for Missionaries From Their Dioceses and Congregations

Indirectly Related:

2006-A116 On the Topic of Resources for Overseas Mission Pilgrimages (Rejected)
1982-A128 Request Dioceses to Establish Committees on World Mission

In preparing this report, the Archives researched the resolutions of General Convention for the period 1976 through 2006, selecting "direct" resolutions that have a substantive bearing on the proposed legislation. Committee members who are interested in obtaining copies of "indirectly related" resolutions, legislative history before 1976, or who require other research assistance should contact the Archives at 800-525-9329 before Convention or at Convention in the General Convention Secretariat.



Resolution Number: 1991-A068
Title: Uphold and Promote the Cross-cultural Missionary Vocation
Legislative Action Taken: Concurred As Amended
Final Text:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, **That the 70th General Convention of the Episcopal Church uphold the cross-cultural missionary vocation as a vital expression of the apostolic nature of the Church and a calling given to the Church by Jesus Christ as exemplified by Volunteers for Mission and others in the Episcopal Council on Global Mission;** and be it further

Resolved, **That the General Convention promote missionary outreach by calling on all congregations to pray for those ministering as missionaries in other cultures, to encourage those exploring a call to serve, and to give financially to support missionaries with whom they have direct relationships.**

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Phoenix, 1991* (New York: General Convention, 1992), p. 810.



Resolution Number: 1997-A204
Title: Develop Partnership for Global Mission
Legislative Action Taken: Concurred as Substituted
Final Text:

Resolved, That this 72nd General Convention commend to the Church the Standing Commission's report, which responds to the 71st General Convention's call for a comprehensive theology, strategy, and structure for the Church's international mission work; and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention direct Executive Council to initiate development of a Partnership for Global Mission, in consultation with the Standing Commission on World Mission, the Anglican and Global Relations Office of Executive Council, and the existing mission network known as the Episcopal Council for Global Mission; and be it further

Resolved, That the purpose of this partnership will be to strengthen the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society and its work with other mission groups to increase church wide participation and cooperation in the sending and receiving of missionaries on an international basis; and be it further

Resolved, That the partnership will be accountable to Executive Council through regular reporting to and oversight by that body, and that member organizations of the partnership will:

Affirm the mission theology found in the Standing Commission's report;

Implement the mission strategies found in the Commission's report;

Comply with the Anglican Communion's Partnership in Mission (PIM) principle that mission organizations be invited by the relevant Anglican Ecclesiastical Authority before engaging in a program or sending persons to an area where an Anglican body exists;

Share information regarding missionary appointments with each other, with Bishops of home Dioceses, and with the Anglican and Global Relations Office;

Meet standards of fiduciary responsibility, including annual financial reports;

Provide cross-cultural training, including sexual misconduct prevention work;

and be it further

Resolved, That Executive Council will include in its report to the 73rd General Convention a report on the formation of the Episcopal Partnership for Global Mission.

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Philadelphia, 1997* (New York: General Convention, 1998), pp. 199-200.



Resolution Number: 1991-A233
Title: Request Support for Missionaries From Their Dioceses and
Congregations
Legislative Action Taken: Concurred As Submitted
Final Text:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, **That the several dioceses of this Church and their congregations encourage and financially support their members who serve by appointment as missionaries of this Church.**

Citation: General Convention, *Journal of the General Convention of...The Episcopal Church, Phoenix, 1991* (New York: General Convention, 1992), p. 312.

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TOPIC/TITLE: Missionaries: "The 80-Cent Solution": Support for World Missionaries

PROPOSER: The Rev. Dr. R. David Cox

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1 *Resolved*, the House of _____ concurring, That the 76th General Convention commend
2 the "'80-Cent Solution' For World Mission" effort to promote grassroots support for
3 missionaries from The Episcopal Church serving around the world, by inviting
4 contributions of eighty cents (or the equivalent in currencies other than U.S. dollars) per
5 year for each year of the forthcoming triennium, from all baptized members of this
6 Church who are also thereby members of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,
7 with a goal of \$1.6 million; and be it further

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9 *Resolved*, That the funds received be placed in a trust fund of the DFMS to be used at the
10 discretion of the Mission Personnel Office of The Episcopal Church for the support of
11 such missionaries after consulting with the Presiding Bishop and the Treasurer.
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EXPLANATION:

By baptism, all Episcopalians are members of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. The "'80-Cent Solution' For World Mission" invites and challenges all members of DFMS to contribute 80¢ (or the equivalent in non-US currencies) per person per year for three years specifically to support missionaries of the DFMS serving beyond the shores of the United States. All monies received will be placed in a special spend-down fund to be used by and through the Mission Personnel Office of The Episcopal Church for that purpose, after appropriate consultation and approval of the Presiding Bishop and the Treasurer. These funds are intended to be above and beyond what the Church provides annually through its triennial budgets. Thus it is an extension of proposed Resolution A128 which provides for the funding of missionaries through the Church's budget. This resolution commends this effort to challenge our Church to increase the numbers of missionaries serving beyond the United States by as much as 100% over the next triennium, and to express General Convention's understanding of how these funds will be used. The "80¢ Solution" aims to pursue the goals of reconciliation and evangelism by proclaiming the good news and by fostering relationships between The Episcopal Church and other members of the Anglican Communion; and of partnership by nurturing relationships between Episcopalians and world missionaries, and through them with the peoples whom these missionaries serve. It strives to foster a personal connection, at a cost all can afford, with the greater mission and purpose of the Church.

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