



CONVOCATION OF AMERICAN CHURCHES IN EUROPE

Mission 2006 Goals

Convocation Convention 2005 in Frankfurt, Germany, on the conclusions of discussions on Mission 2006, adopted a resolution affirming six mission priorities, which ended:

Recognizing the extraordinary and creative energy dedicated to identifying these priorities, a Strategy Group will distill these ideas and put into place specific structures, support, processes, events and/or tasks that will further these mission goals. This Strategy Group will endeavor to stay true to the creative energy and work done to date, with the aim of determining which activities should be taken up in the initial implementation phase of Mission 2006, leading up to Convention 2008.

The members of the Strategic Planning Committee have reflected upon the priorities and have met over the past five months to collaborate, discuss and organize our proposals. We present the following proposals for each of the six priorities discerned in October 2005. Events and activities are listed for each priority with the body and/or persons responsible for their implementation.

1. Youth

Rotating Annual Youth Event (YAE)	COMB, Bishop and host parish
Annual Youth Leader Conference	COMB
Provide seed money for individual mission initiatives by youth	COMB

2. Training and Nurture

Three Christian Formation Conferences, that will lead to training conferences	EICS in collaboration with ECC
United Thank Offering (UTO) as Lenten project	Each congregation, Helena Mbele-Mbong with Bishop's Office
Explanation of Convocation and its organizations	Council of Advice
Provide key bibliography of recommended books	All clergy

3. Building Missions

Mission 2007 Festival	The Rev. Clair Ullmann, Chair, Committee on Mission Congregations
Formation of strategy for mission congregations	The Rev. Clair Ullmann, Bishop Whalon

4. Spirituality and Worship

Annual clergy exchange Sunday	Clergy and Bishop Whalon
Provide each congregation with a copy of each official TEC hymnal and prayer book	The Bishop's Office
Long term – experimental worship	Clergy and Bishop Whalon

5. Social and Environmental Justice

Outreach – recognize each parish's projects	Quarterly Newsletter, website
Inform parishes about Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD) and Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)	Council of Advice
Companion Diocese program	Bishop and Council of Advice

6. Leadership and Visioning

Annual clericus – and meeting with Bishop	
Develop effective communication strategy	Council of Advice and Bishop
Regular review, evaluation, revision of Mission 2006 goals, processes and activities	Convention, Council of Advice, Bishop Whalon

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Abbreviations

COMB	Commission on the Ministry of the Baptized
ECC	Episcopal Church Center (New York, central office)
EICS	European Institute for Christian Education
ERD	Episcopal Relief and Development
MDGs	UN Millennium Development Goals
TEC	The Episcopal Church
UTO	United Thank Offering
YAE	Youth Across Europe