

Title: 2007 General Assembly Resolutions Update

Origin: Office of the General Minister and President

Resolution number	Title	Action	Staff or General Ministry Assignment
0719	Resolution Concerning World Communion Sunday and Reconciliation Mission	Council on Christian Unity and Reconciliation Ministry work together to produce worship resources and interpretative materials for congregational use in promoting Reconciliation Ministry offering and World Communion Sunday in 2008.	Robert Welsh, Council on Christian Unity
0721	Elimination of Torture	OGMP promote the resolution and the statement of the National Religious Campaign Against Torture (NRCAT) including the distribution to Regions, congregations and institutions of higher learning with a request for serious consideration and an invitation to endorse the NRCAT statement.	Statement was endorsed by Sharon Watkins in August 2006. Further promotion of the statement will be done once the statement has been officially released by NRCAT.
0723	A Call for Funding of General Assembly Processes of Discernment	Direct General Board to adequately fund future discernment processes including staffing and support.	Is being addressed in the Mission Alignment process being introduced at 2008 General Board.
0726	Faith United Against Tobacco Use	General Assembly meeting in Fort Worth join with over 20 other faith denominations and organizations to support Faith United Against Tobacco, including support of FDA jurisdiction over tobacco products and their marketing and to support local initiatives to prohibit smoking in public places and to increase tobacco tax rates	Statement by the Faith United Against Tobacco signed by Todd Adams on behalf of the General Assembly in September 2007.
0727	Funding for Transformational Ministry	GMP uses such vehicles as available to the office to develop adequate funding for the church's ministry of congregational transformation.	Is being addressed by the Mission Alignment process being introduced at 2008 General Board.
0728	The Church's Response to the War in Iraq	<p>GMP informs Disciples chaplains within the armed services about the action taken by this General Assembly.</p> <p>GMP be encouraged to write a pastoral letter to all congregations acknowledging the deep pain this war has caused our country and our church and promoting the ongoing discussion of this war from a theological viewpoint.</p> <p>Regions be encouraged to institute education and training in just war standards and pacifist perspectives to ministers with standing and students seeking ordination.</p> <p>GMP makes the President & Congress of the United States and the Prime Minister and Parliament of Canada aware of the actions to be taken by the CC (DOC).</p>	Letter has been written to the President and Congress in December 2007. Other actions to be completed in the coming months.

0730	Concerning the Ethical Provision of Health Care in a Religiously Pluralistic Society.	Goes to Administrative Committee to determine, in consultation with the submitting organization, how to move the research and reflection forward.	Item is part of April 2008 Administrative Committee agenda.
0731	Recommendations Concerning Reconciliation Mission	Reconciliation Mission to be called Reconciliation Ministry and that we now refer to AR/PR as Pro-Reconciliation/Anti-Racism. RM to focus much of its work on networking in collaboration with regions. RM to better communicate the significance of its work among congregations. Resolution speaks to an interpretation task force to accomplish this. RM develop more varied resources for its work of introducing congregations to the work of racial reconciliation. RM hire a full time staff person with administrative support through funds from DMF – timeline to be developed to phase this in.	Search process to hire a full time staff person is in process. Anti-Racism/Pro-Reconciliation is now being referred to as Pro-Reconciliation/Anti-Racism. Remaining items to be assigned to new Reconciliation Ministry staff person
0734	Concerning the Reorganization of Governance/Accountability, Church Treasury Services, Stewardship Education and Promotion	Approval of the merger of Church Finance Council into the General Assembly, celebration of the leadership of CFC and withdrawal of the official recognition on the date of the merger.	Merger has been completed. Report on the merger process to be made to the General Board.