

General Board**Business Item No. GB-09-0647****Title:** Justice and Advocacy Ministry**Origin:** Mission Alignment Coordinating Council**Background Information**

At the April 2008 General Board Meeting of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), the Mission Alignment Coordinating Council (MACC) was charged to make a report and present a plan for mission alignment to the General Board in 2009 (Item GB-08-0581).

As a result of its work as recorded in proposal #6 of the MACC Report and Recommendations to the General Board (Item GB -09-0641) it is recommended that Disciples invest in connecting and expanding the existing justice and advocacy networks of DOM/Global Ministries, Week of Compassion and Disciples Home Mission, as well as other *ad hoc* Disciples justice organizations, in order to support congregations who want to engage in these efforts.

Recommended Action:

The General Board calls on the General Minister and President to convene members of the Disciples existing justice and advocacy networks located in DOM/Global Ministries, Week of Compassion and Disciples Home Mission, as well as other *ad hoc* Disciples justice organizations, to discuss expansion of the church's justice and advocacy resources in support of congregations who want to engage in these efforts. A report of their progress is to be presented to the General Board in April 2010.