SIXTH SEDERUNT

WORSHIP

The preludes for the morning worship were provided by Camp Kintail; Trinity First, Kenora; Brentwood, Burnaby. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. Dr. Richard Topping and the service led by the Assembly's liturgist, musician and several commissioners.

ASSEMBLY CONSTITUTED

On Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. (EDT), the Assembly met pursuant to adjournment. The Moderator constituted the Assembly with prayer.

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS (cont'd from p. XXX)

Agenda

Recommendation BUS-023 (p. XXX), that the following agenda be approved, was moved by J.I.F. Barrett, duly seconded. Adopted.

Life and Mission Agency Committee (LMA)

Committee to Nominate Standing Committees (NOM)

International Affairs Committee (IAF)

Committee on History (HIS)

Theological Colleges

Knox College (KNX)

St. Andrew's Hall (SAH)

Presbyterian College (PCO)

Women's Missionary Society (WMS)

Committee to Confer with the Moderator/Committee on Terms of Reference (CON)

Church Doctrine Committee (CDC)

Bills and Overtures Committee (BOV)

Assembly Council (ASC)

Clerks of Assembly (CLK)

Pension and Benefits Board (PAB)

Reports without recommendations

Atlantic Mission Society (AMS)

Maclean Estate Committee (MEC)

Trust Board (TRB)

Presbyterian Church Building Corporation (PCB)

Vancouver School of Theology (VST)

Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations Committee (EIR)

Additional motions report by report

Young Adult Representatives

Student Representatives

Business Committee (BUS-019, 020, 021, 024)

LIFE AND MISSION AGENCY COMMITTEE

The Assembly called for the report of the Life and Mission Agency which, as printed on p. XXX–XXX, was introduced by C. Stephenson, convener.

Motion to Reconsider

J.R. Lackie moved, duly seconded, that pursuant to notice of motion (p. XXX), that the terms of reference concerning membership for the Life and Mission Agency Committee be reconsidered. Adopted.

Omnibus Recommendation LMA-OMB, that the following recommendations be approved, was moved by A. Currie, duly seconded.

Amendment

J.T. Hurd moved, duly seconded, that the Assembly to remove Recommendations LMA-050, LMA-053, and LMA-054 from the Omnibus Recommendation LMA-OMB. Defeated.

Omnibus Recommendation LMA-OMB was adopted, thereby approving the following recommendations:

LMA-001 - (p. XXX)	LMA-019 - (p. XXX)	LMA-037 - (p. XXX)
LMA-002 - (p. XXX)	LMA-020 - (p. XXX)	LMA-038 - (p. XXX)
LMA-003 - (p. XXX)	LMA-021 - (p. XXX)	LMA-039 - (p. XXX)
LMA-004 - (p. XXX)	LMA-022 - (p. XXX)	LMA-040 - (p. XXX)
LMA-005 - (p. XXX)	LMA-023 - (p. XXX)	LMA-041 - (p. XXX)
LMA-006 - (p. XXX)	LMA-024 - (p. XXX)	LMA-042 - (p. XXX)
LMA-007 - (p. XXX)	LMA-025 - (p. XXX)	LMA-043 - (p. XXX)
LMA-008 - (p. XXX)	LMA-026 - (p. XXX)	LMA-044 - (p. XXX)
LMA-009 - (p. XXX)	LMA-027 - (p. XXX)	LMA-045 - (p. XXX)
LMA-010 - (p. XXX)	LMA-028 - (p. XXX)	LMA-046 - (p. XXX)
LMA-011 - (p. XXX)	LMA-029 - (p. XXX)	LMA-047 - (p. XXX)
LMA-012 - (p. XXX)	LMA-030 - (p. XXX)	LMA-048 - (p. XXX)
LMA-013 - (p. XXX)	LMA-031 - (p. XXX)	LMA-049 - (p. XXX)
LMA-014 - (p. XXX)	LMA-032 - (p. XXX)	LMA-050 - (p. XXX)
LMA-015 - (p. XXX)	LMA-033 - (p. XXX)	LMA-051 - (p. XXX)
LMA-016 - (p. XXX)	LMA-034 - (p. XXX)	LMA-052 - (p. XXX)
LMA-017 - (p. XXX)	LMA-035 - (p. XXX)	LMA-053 - (p. XXX)
LMA-018 - (p. XXX)	LMA-036 - (p. XXX)	•
LMA-054 - (p. XXX)	<u> </u>	
LMA-055 - (p. XXX)		

Dissent with Reasons

Recommendation LMA-OMB: E.M.W. Charlton, A.M. Cornell (p. XXX)

Recommendation LMA-034: S.K. Bell (p. XXX)

Recommendation LMA-050: D. Krunys (p. XXX)

Recommendations LMA-050, LMA-053, LMA-054: J.T. Hurd (p. XXX)

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND RECEPTION (cont'd from p. XXX)

A. Phillips commented on the importance of the work of the Committee on Education and Reception and noted that no comments had been received related to them.

A. Currie moved, duly seconded, that the following Committee on Education and Reception recommendations be approved by consent. Adopted.

LMA-056 (p. XXX)	LMA-060 (p. XXX)	LMA-064 (p. XXX)
LMA-057 (p. XXX)	LMA-061 (p. XXX)	LMA-065 (p. XXX)
LMA-058 (p. XXX)	LMA-062 (p. XXX)	LMA-066 (p. XXX)
LMA-059 (p. XXX)	LMA-063 (p. XXX)	LMA-067 (p. XXX)

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INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The Assembly called for the report of the International Affairs Committee which, as printed on p. XXX–XXX, was introduced by B. Barbouri, convener.

Omnibus Recommendation IAF-OMB, that the following recommendations be approved, was moved by D.B. Griffiths, duly seconded.

IAF-001 - Human Migration: overview and vision, and why the church should care

IAF-002 - Domestic Workers Convention No. 189

IAF-003 - Human Trafficking

IAF-004 - Human Trafficking - Learn More

IAF-005 - National Strategy to Combat Human Trafficking

IAF-006 - Global Biodiversity

IAF-007 - Loss of Global Biodiversity

IAF-008 - Sustainable Stewarding of Resources

IAF-009 - Convention on Biodiversity Goals

IAF-010 - Meeting Convention on Biodiversity Goals

IAF-011 - Climate-Induced Displacement

IAF-012 - Learn about Causes of Human Migration

IAF-013 - Palestinian Migration

IAF-014 - Palestinian Migration

IAF-015 - Right to Return

IAF-016 - Right to Return

IAF-017 - Come and See Visit

IAF-018 - Social Action Hub

IAF-019 - Support Reconciliation Initiatives

IAF-020 - Impact of the Israeli Occupation on Children and Families in Palestine and Israel

IAF-021 - Humanitarian Crisis

IAF-022 - Impact of the Israeli Occupation on Children and Families in Palestine and Israel

Amendment

A. Douglas moved, duly seconded, that IAF-021 be removed from the omnibus motion. Defeated.

Amendment

M. Fraser moved, duly seconded, that IAF-012, IAF-013, IAF-014, IAF-015, IAF-016, IAF-017, IAF-021, and IAF-022 be removed from the omnibus motion.

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INTERFAITH GUEST

The Moderator welcomed Imam Muneeb Nasir, Co-chair National Muslim Christian Liaison Committee. He recognized Iman Nasir as a Muslim religious leader, writer and interfaith activist who, among other projects and interests, promotes service, dialogue and understanding among peoples of various cultures and faiths. He assured him of the Assembly's thoughts and prayers are with him and his community in light of the attack against a Muslim family three days earlier in London, Ontario.

Iman Nasir spoke of the need for respectful dialogue between Muslims and Christians and gave thanks for the commitment to ecumenical and interfaith relations by The Presbyterian Church in Canada. He noted how the COVID-19 pandemic has unmasked the inequities and injustices in our country and the world. He said, "These are issues that we are called upon to provide a moral and religious perspective and to address. The ability to come together and build and share solutions has never been more important than now. Our future lies together understanding the differences that we acknowledge and appreciate in each other. All of us accept the same sacred ideals of the ethical heart of our two religions, love of God and love our neighbour. Our encounters must move beyond a dialogue of ideas to where we engage each other in a dialogue of life and action."

The Moderator thanked Imam Nasir for his presence at the Assembly and offered prayer.

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (cont'd from p. XXX)

Discussion resumed

Discussion resumed on an amendment to Recommendation IAF-OMB.

Amendment defeated

The amendment was defeated.

Omnibus Recommendation IAF-OMB was adopted, thereby approving the following recommendations:

IAF-001 - (p. XXX) IAF-002 - (p. XXX) IAF-003 - (p. XXX) IAF-004 - (p. XXX) IAF-005 - (p. XXX) IAF-006 - (p. XXX)

IAF-007 - (p. XXX)	IAF-013 - (p. XXX)	IAF-019 - (p. XXX)
IAF-008 - (p. XXX)	IAF-014 - (p. XXX)	IAF-020 - (p. XXX)
IAF-009 - (p. XXX)	IAF-015 - (p. XXX)	IAF-021 - (p. XXX)
IAF-010 - (p. XXX)	IAF-016 - (p. XXX)	IAF-022 - (p. XXX)
IAF-011 - (p. XXX)	IAF-017 - (p. XXX)	
IAF-012 - (p. XXX)	IAF-018 - (p. XXX)	

Dissent with Reasons

Recommendation IAF-OMB: E.M.W Charlton (p. XXX)

Recommendation Nos. IAF-013, IAF-014, IAF-015, IAF-016, IAF-017, IAF-018: B.J.W Ferrier (p. XXX)

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COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE STANDING COMMITTEES

The Assembly called for the report of the Committee to Nominate Standing Committees which, as printed on p. XXX-XXX, was introduced by J. Dennis, convener.

Omnibus Recommendation NOM-OMB, that the following recommendations be approved, was moved by M.R. Peacock, duly seconded. Adopted.

NOM-001 – Nominations to Standing Committees of the General Assembly – 2021

NOM-002 – Appreciation for completed terms

ASSEMBLY COUNCIL

2019–2021 STANDING COMMITTEES

9 Church-at-Large Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years		Name
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. Cherie A. Inksetter, St. Catharines, ON
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. Geoffrey B. Jay, Surrey, BC
2019-2022	(I)	Mr. Peter A. Kinch, Toronto, ON
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Germaine Lovelace, Malton, ON
2017-2023	(II)	Ms. Barb Sargent, Chatham, ON
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. John R. Wilson, Sault Ste. Marie, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Bethany McCaffrey, Toronto, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Ms. Ann Patterson, Edmonton, AB
2021-2024	(I)	Rev. Jeffrey M. Murray, Sackville, NB

12 Presbytery Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years	Name and Presbytery
2016–2022 (II)	Ms. Sandra Cameron Evans, Calgary, AB (Calgary-Macleod) (convener)
2016–2022 (II)	Mr. David Jennings, North Vancouver, BC (Westminster)
2016–2022 (II)	Rev. Robert J. Murray, Pinawa, MB (Winnipeg)
2016–2022 (II)	Rev. Dr. John-Peter C. Smit, Toronto, ON (West Toronto)
2020–2023 (I)	Ms. Brenda Butler, New Glasgow, NS (Pictou)
2021–2023 (I)	Mr. David Campbell, Toronto, ON (East Toronto)
2021–2023 (I)	Rev. Henry Heung Ryeol Han, Edmonton, AB (Western Han-Ca)
2021–2023 (I)	Rev. John C. Borthwick, Guelph, ON, (Waterloo-Wellington)
2018–2024 (II)	Rev. Jinsook Khang, Vaughan, ON (Eastern Han-Ca)
2018–2024 (II)	Ms. Linda Shaw, Simcoe, ON (Paris)
2021–2024 (I)	Ms. Diane Reader Jones, Burlington, ON (Hamilton)
2021–2024 (I)	Rev. Jennifer L. Cameron, Belleville, ON (Kingston)

Ex-officio – voting – 4 members

President of Atlantic Mission Society or designate President of Women's Missionary Society or designate Convener of Life and Mission Agency Committee Moderator of the General Assembly

Ex-officio – non-voting – 4 members

Principal Clerk, General Assembly General Secretary, Life and Mission Agency Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer One of the Heads of the Colleges

CHURCH DOCTRINE COMMITTEE

14 Members and 1 Corresponding Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

	Name
(II)	Rev. M. Helen Smith, Toronto, ON
(I)	Rev. Jeremy Bellsmith, Nanaimo, BC
(I)	Rev. Bradford E. Blaikie, Summerside, PE
(I)	Ms. Catherine Cook, Riverview, NB
(I)	Rev. Peggy Kipfer, Thornbury, ON
(II)	Rev. Dr. Nicholas Athanasiadis, Toronto, ON
(II)	Rev. Dr. Blair Bertrand, Ottawa, ON
(II)	Rev. Dr. Heather J. Vais, Thornhill, ON
(II)	Rev. Karla Wubbenhorst, Guelph, ON
(II)	Rev. Wally (Won-Hong) Hong, Niagara Falls, ON (convener)
(II)	Rev. Munhyun Ryu, Vancouver, BC
(I)	Dr. David Holland, Kingston, ON
(I)	Ms. Huda Kandalaft, Ottawa, ON
(II) cm	Mr. Ross Bassingthwaighte, Kelowna, BC
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Ex-officio – 3 members

Representative, Presbyterian College Representative, Knox College

Representative, St. Andrew's Hall/VST

ECUMENICAL AND INTERFAITH RELATIONS COMMITTEE

6 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years		Name
2016-2022	(II)	Dr. Richard Allen, Toronto, ON
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. H. Kenneth Stright, Musquodoboit Harbour, NS
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Matthew Sams, Thornhill, ON (convener)
2020-2023	(I)	Rev. Marianne G. Emig Carr, Brockville, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Dr. Andrew J.R. Johnston, Kingston, ON
2021-2024	(I)	Ms. Laura-Lee Campbell, Guelph, ON

Ex-officio – 2 members

Principal Clerk, General Assembly, or designate General Secretary of Life and Mission Agency, or designate

By Correspondence – 6 members

Representative to Canadian Council of Churches

Delegate representative to last Council of Caribbean and North America Area Council of World Communion of Reformed Churches

Delegate representative to last General Council of World Communion of Reformed Churches

Delegate representative to last Assembly of World Council of Churches

Representative from Women's Missionary Society

HISTORY COMMITTEE

6 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years		Name
2019-2022	(I)	Mr. David Mawhinney, Sackville, NB
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. Janet Taylor, Edmonton, AB
2016-2023	(II)	Mr. Scott MacDonald, Stratford, PE
2020-2023	(I)	Rev. Dr. M. Beth McCutcheon, Toronto, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Jennifer L. Geddes, Comox, BC
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Geoffrey M. Ross, Brampton, ON (convener)

By Correspondence

8 synod conveners

Ex-officio – 6 members

Professor of History, Knox College Professor of History, The Presbyterian College Professor of History, Vancouver School of Theology Archivist/Records Administrator Assistant Archivist Curator of National Presbyterian Museum

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

6 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years		Name
2019-2022	(I)	Ms. Mary Kyei, Saskatoon, SK
2019-2022	(I)	Ms. Amy Zawitz, Waterloo, ON
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Boghos Barbouri, Toronto, ON (convener)
2017-2023	(II)	Mr. W. Wayne Barchard, Elmsdale, NS
2021-2024	(I)	Ms. Donna Capper, Simcoe, ON
2021-2024	(I)	Rev. Charmila Ireland, Listowel, ON

Ex-officio – 7 members

Five persons appointed by Life and Mission Agency Representative of Atlantic Mission Society Representative of Women's Missionary Society

LIFE AND MISSION AGENCY COMMITTEE

12 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years		Name
2016-2022	(II)	Rev. Jeffrey R. Lackie, Medicine Hat, AB
2016-2022	(II)	Ms. Cindy Stephenson, Calgary, AB (convener)
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. Charles S. Cook, Riverview, NB
2019-2022	(I)	Ms. Donna McIlveen, Johnstown, ON
2015-2022	(II)	Mr. R. Aubrey Hawton, Oro-Medonte, ON
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Sampson Afoakwah, Montreal West, QC
2017-2023	(II)	Ms. Marion Lade, Comox, BC
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Allyson A. Macleod, Sutton West, ON
2020-2024	(I)	Rev. Amanda Currie, Regina, SK
2021-2024	(I)	Mr. John Barrett, Charlottetown, PE
2021-2024	(I)	Rev. Yongwan Cho, Victoria, BC
2021-2024	(I)	Ms. Sue Senior, Waterloo, ON

Assembly Council Appointments – 2 members

Two members of the Assembly Council

Ex-officio – 4 members

Appointee of the Women's Missionary Society Appointee of the Atlantic Mission Society Appointee of the Presbyterian World Service and Development

MACLEAN ESTATE COMMITTEE

12 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years		Name
2019-2022	(I)	Ms. Jessica Foy, Hamilton, ON
2021-2022	(I)	vacant
2019-2022	(I)	Mr. Michael Lemiski, Mississauga, ON
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. Mark R. McLennan, Woodstock, ON (convener)
2021-2023	(II)	vacant
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Dr. Herb F. Gale, Guelph, ON
2020-2023	(I)	Mr. Ian Buchanan, London, ON
2021-2023	(I)	Rev. Ernie A. Naylor, Listowel, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Neil Ellis, Cobourg, ON
2021-2024	(I)	Ms. Joanne Campbell, Toronto, ON
2021-2024	(I)	Ms. Dawn Charlton, Waterloo, ON
2021-2024	(I)	Rev. Leslie L. Walker, Leamington, ON

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE STANDING COMMITTEES

9 Members (named by synods and based upon a 3 year rotation)

Years	Name and Synod
2018-2022	Mr. Spencer Hanson, Saskatoon, SK
	(Saskatchewan)
2018-2022	Rev. Dr. Nancy L. Cocks, Medicine Hat, AB
	(Alberta and the Northwest)
2018-2022	Ms. Margaret Peacock, Armstrong, BC
	(British Columbia)
2019–2023	Rev. Dr. Charlene E. Wilson, Sault Ste. Marie, ON (convener)
	(Central, Northeastern Ontario and Bermuda)
2019–2023	Ms. Jill Rickwood, Brantford, ON
	(Southwestern Ontario)
2019–2023	Rev. Joyce A. Yanishewski, Thunder Bay, ON
	(Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario)
2021–2024	Rev. Dr. Marion R. Barclay-MacKay, North Sydney, NS
	(The Atlantic Provinces)
2021–2024	Mr. Gordon Walford, Ottawa, ON
	(Quebec and Eastern Ontario)
2021–2024	Ms. Leila Paugh, Niagara, ON
	(Southwestern Ontario)

PENSION AND BENEFITS BOARD

9 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years		Name
2016-2022	(II)	Mr. John Bonnell, Halifax, NS
2019-2022	(I)	Mr. Dan Philips, Calgary, AB
2019-2022	(I)	Mr. J.C. Mackenzie (Mac) Smith, Toronto, ON
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Corrie Stewart, North River Bridge, NS (convener)
2021-2023	(I)	Ms. Joanne Stewart, Toronto, ON
2018-2023	(I)	Rev. Harry J. Currie, Edmonton, AB
2021-2024	(I)	Mr. Bruce Templeton, St. John's, NL
2021-2024	(I)	Rev. Karen Dimock, Ottawa, ON
2021-2024	(I)	Mr. Donald Walcot, Montreal, QC

Ex-officio – 2 members

Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer Convener of Trustee Board, or alternate

TRUSTEE BOARD

15 Members (no less than 7 and no more than 15, of whom 3 are ex officio; 6 year term)

Years	Name
2016-2022	Mr. Peter McDougall, St. Lambert, QC
2016-2022	Mr. Abel Pandy, Thornhill, ON
2016-2022	Ms. Kathleen Boose, Georgetown, ON
2016-2022	Mr. Rick Johnston, Toronto, ON (convener)
2017-2023	Dr. Margaret Ogilvie, Ottawa, ON
2018-2024	Ms. Lori Ransom, Toronto, ON
2019–2025	Rev. Peter Bush, Winnipeg, MB
2019-2025	Mr. Donald Chu, Toronto, ON
2019-2025	Mr. Douglas A. Wall, Mississauga, ON
2021-2023	Rev. W. Corrie Stewart, North River Bridge, NS
	(convener of Pension and Benefits Board)
2021-2027	Rev. R. Ian Shaw, Simcoe, ON
2021–2027	Dr. Elizabeth A. Speers, Toronto, ON

Ex-officio – 3 members

Principal Clerk, General Assembly Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer Convener of Assembly Council

KNOX COLLEGE, GOVERNING BOARD

15 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years		Name
2016-2022	(II)	Rev. Angie Song, Toronto, ON
2017-2022	(II)	Rev. Janet A. DeWolfe, Toronto, ON
2019-2022	(I)	Ms. Giffy Amofa, Brampton, ON
2019-2022	(I)	Mr. Garth Low, Toronto, ON
2020-2022	(I)	Mr. Justice Agyemang, Mississauga, ON
2017-2023	(II)	Ms. Carol E.F. Jackson, Toronto, ON
2020-2023	(I)	Rev. Dr. Peter D. Coutts, Calgary, AB
2020-2023	(I)	Mr. Robert C. Hayashi, Aurora, ON
2020-2023	(I)	Mr. Mark McElwain, Toronto, ON
2020-2023	(I)	Dr. Kate K McLellan, Rothesay, NB
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Dr. Richard W. Fee, Toronto, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Linda Patton-Cowie, Orillia, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Mr. Randal Phillips, Toronto, ON (convener)
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Jonathan W. Tait, Whitby, ON
2021-2024	(I)	Mr. Michael Nettleton, Toronto, ON

Ex-officio – 3 members

Principal

One Faculty member

One member of Knox-Ewart Graduate Association

THE PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

12 Members (three year term, option for 2nd term)

Years		Name
2016-2022	(II)	Ms. Sharon Dworzak, Laval, QC
2017-2022	(II)	Rev. Charles E. McPherson, Stellerton, NS
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. Katharine Burgess, Quebec City, QC

2019-2022	(I)	Dr. Marilyn Scott, Vaudreuil-Dorion, QC
2017-2023	(II)	Mr. Clayton Bartlett, Albert Bridge, NS (convener)
2017-2023	(II)	Ms. Joan Vogelesan, Montreal, QC
2021-2023	(I)	Rev. Denise Allen-Macartney, Ottawa, ON
2021-2023	(I)	Dr. Robert Bracewell, Montreal, QC
2021-2024	(I)	Mr. Nelson Cheung, Montreal, QC
2021-2024	(I)	Rev. Samar Kandalaft, Kemptville, ON
2021-2024	(I)	Rev. Douglas H. Rollwage, Charlottetown, PE
2021-2024	(I)	Rev. Linda Park, Lindsay, ON

Ex-officio – 5 members

Principal

Director of Pastoral Studies

One other Faculty Member

Student Representative

Representative, Graduates Association

ST. ANDREW'S HALL, BOARD

12 Members (three year term, option for 2nd term)

Years		Name
2018–2022	(II)	Rev. Ena van Zoeren, Salmon Arm, BC
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. Gwen D.T. Brown, Creston, BC
2019-2022	(I)	Dr. Victor Ling, Vancouver, BC
2019-2022	(I)	Mr. Ron Zapp, New Westminster, BC
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Dr. M. Jean Morris, Calgary, AB (convener)
2017-2023	(II)	Mr. Stephen Roche, Thornhill, ON
2020-2023	(I)	Rev. John J. Paeng, Parksville, BC
2021-2023	(I)	Rev. Joseph Bae, Thornhill, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Mr. Matthew Walton-Knight, North Vancouver, BC
2021-2024	(I)	Ms. Mary Rozsa de Coquet, Calgary, AB
2021-2024	(I)	Mr. Neil Singh, Surrey, BC
2021-2024	(I)	Mr. Larry Yen, Vancouver, BC

Ex-officio – 3 members

Representative from Vancouver School of Theology Principal, Vancouver School of Theology

Dean, St. Andrew's Hall

2021 STANDING COMMITTEES

ASSEMBLY COUNCIL

9 Church-at-Large Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years	Name
2019–2022 (I)	Rev. Cherie A. Inksetter, St. Catharines, ON
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2017–2023 (II)	Ms. Barb Sargent, Chatham, ON
2017–2023 (II)	Rev. John R. Wilson, Sault Ste. Marie, ON
2018–2024 (II)	Rev. Bethany McCaffrey, Toronto, ON
2018–2024 (II)	Ms. Ann Patterson, Edmonton, AB
2021–2024 (I)	Rev. Jeffrey M. Murray, Sackville, NB

12 Presbytery Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years	Name and Presbytery
2016–2022 (II)	Ms. Sandra Cameron Evans, Calgary, AB (Calgary-Macleod) (convener)
2016–2022 (II)	Mr. David Jennings, North Vancouver, BC (Westminster)
2016–2022 (II)	Rev. Robert J. Murray, Pinawa, MB (Winnipeg)
2016–2022 (II)	Rev. Dr. John-Peter C. Smit, Toronto, ON (West Toronto)
2020-2023 (I)	Ms. Brenda Butler, New Glasgow, NS (Pictou)
2021–2023 (I)	Mr. David Campbell, Toronto, ON (East Toronto)
2021–2023 (I)	Rev. Henry Heung Ryeol Han, Edmonton, AB (Western Han-Ca)
2021–2023 (I)	Rev. John C. Borthwick, Guelph, ON, (Waterloo-Wellington)
2018–2024 (II)	Rev. Jinsook Khang, Vaughan, ON (Eastern Han-Ca)
2018–2024 (II)	Ms. Linda Shaw, Simcoe, ON (Paris)
2021-2024 (I)	Ms. Diane Reader Jones, Burlington, ON (Hamilton)
2021–2024 (I)	Rev. Jennifer L. Cameron, Belleville, ON (Kingston)

Ex-officio – voting – 4 members

President of Atlantic Mission Society or designate President of Women's Missionary Society or designate Convener of Life and Mission Agency Committee Moderator of the General Assembly

Ex-officio – non-voting – 4 members

Principal Clerk, General Assembly General Secretary, Life and Mission Agency Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer One of the Heads of the Colleges

CHURCH DOCTRINE COMMITTEE

14 Members and 1 Corresponding Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Ye	ars	Name
2016-2022	(II)	Rev. M. Helen Smith, Toronto, ON
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. Jeremy Bellsmith, Nanaimo, BC
2019–2022	(I)	Rev. Bradford E. Blaikie, Summerside, PE
2019-2022	(I)	Ms. Catherine Cook, Riverview, NB
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. Peggy Kipfer, Thornbury, ON
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Dr. Nicholas Athanasiadis, Toronto, ON
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Dr. Blair Bertrand, Ottawa, ON
2018-2023	(II)	Rev. Dr. Heather J. Vais, Thornhill, ON
2016-2023	(II)	Rev. Karla Wubbenhorst, Guelph, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Wally (Won-Hong) Hong, Niagara Falls, ON (convener)
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Munhyun Ryu, Vancouver, BC
2021-2024	(I)	Dr. David Holland, Kingston, ON
2021-2024	(I)	Ms. Huda Kandalaft, Ottawa, ON
2017-2022	(II) cm	Mr. Ross Bassingthwaighte, Kelowna, BC

[&]quot;cm" = corresponding member

Ex-officio – 3 members

Representative, Presbyterian College Representative, Knox College Representative, St. Andrew's Hall/VST

ECUMENICAL AND INTERFAITH RELATIONS COMMITTEE

6 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years	Name
2016–2022 (II)	Dr. Richard Allen, Toronto, ON
2019–2022 (I)	Rev. H. Kenneth Stright, Musquodoboit Harbour, NS
2017–2023 (II)	Rev. Matthew Sams, Thornhill, ON (convener)
2020–2023 (I)	Rev. Marianne G. Emig Carr, Brockville, ON
2018–2024 (II)	Rev. Dr. Andrew J.R. Johnston, Kingston, ON
2021–2024 (I)	Ms. Laura-Lee Campbell, Guelph, ON

Ex-officio – 2 members

Principal Clerk, General Assembly, or designate General Secretary of Life and Mission Agency, or designate

By Correspondence – 6 members

Representative to Canadian Council of Churches

Delegate representative to last Council of Caribbean and North America Area Council of World Communion of Reformed Churches

Delegate representative to last General Council of World Communion of Reformed

Delegate representative to last Assembly of World Council of Churches

Representative from Women's Missionary Society

HISTORY COMMITTEE

6 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Yea	ars	Name
2019-2022	(I)	Mr. David Mawhinney, Sackville, NB
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. Janet Taylor, Edmonton, AB
2016-2023	(II)	Mr. Scott MacDonald, Stratford, PE
2020-2023	(I)	Rev. Dr. M. Beth McCutcheon, Toronto, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Jennifer L. Geddes, Comox, BC
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Geoffrey M. Ross, Brampton, ON (convener)

By Correspondence

8 synod conveners

Ex-officio – 6 members

Professor of History, Knox College

Professor of History, The Presbyterian College

Professor of History, Vancouver School of Theology

Archivist/Records Administrator

Assistant Archivist

Curator of National Presbyterian Museum

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

6 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years	Name
2019–2022 (I)	Ms. Mary Kyei, Saskatoon, SK
2019–2022 (I)	Ms. Amy Zawitz, Waterloo, ON
2017–2023 (II)	Rev. Boghos Barbouri, Toronto, ON (convener)
2017–2023 (II)	Mr. W. Wayne Barchard, Elmsdale, NS
2021–2024 (I)	Ms. Donna Capper, Simcoe, ON
2021–2024 (I)	Rev. Charmila Ireland, Listowel, ON

Ex-officio – 7 members

Five persons appointed by Life and Mission Agency Representative of Atlantic Mission Society Representative of Women's Missionary Society

LIFE AND MISSION AGENCY COMMITTEE

12 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Yea	ars	Name
2016-2022	(II)	Rev. Jeffrey R. Lackie, Medicine Hat, AB
2016-2022	(II)	Ms. Cindy Stephenson, Calgary, AB (convener)
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. Charles S. Cook, Riverview, NB
2019-2022	(I)	Ms. Donna McIlveen, Johnstown, ON
2015-2022	(II)	Mr. R. Aubrey Hawton, Oro-Medonte, ON
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Sampson Afoakwah, Montreal West, QC
2017-2023	(II)	Ms. Marion Lade, Comox, BC
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Allyson A. Macleod, Sutton West, ON
2020-2024	(I)	Rev. Amanda Currie, Regina, SK
2021-2024	(I)	Mr. John Barrett, Charlottetown, PE
2021-2024	(I)	Rev. Young Wan Cho, Victoria, BC
2021-2024	(I)	Ms. Sue Senior, Waterloo, ON

Assembly Council Appointments – 2 members

Two members of the Assembly Council

Ex-officio – 4 members

Appointee of the Women's Missionary Society Appointee of the Atlantic Mission Society Appointee of the Presbyterian World Service and Development

MACLEAN ESTATE COMMITTEE

12 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years		Name
2019-2022	(I)	Ms. Jessica Foy, Hamilton, ON
2019-2022	(I)	Mr. Neville Jackson, Puslinch, ON (convenor)
2019-2022	(I)	Mr. Michael Lemiski, Mississauga, ON
2019-2022	(I)	Rev. Mark R. McLennan, Woodstock, ON
2015-2022	(II)	Ms. Ann Wilson, Guelph, ON
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Dr. Herb F. Gale, Guelph, ON
2020-2023	(I)	Mr. Ian Buchanan, London, ON
2021-2023	(I)	Rev. Ernie A. Naylor, Listowel, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Neil Ellis, Cobourg, ON
2021-2024	(I)	Ms. Joanne Campbell, Toronto, ON
2021-2024	(I)	Ms. Dawn Charlton, Waterloo, ON
2021-2024	(I)	Rev. Leslie L. Walker, Leamington, ON

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE STANDING COMMITTEES

9 Members (named by synods and based upon a 3 year rotation)

Years	Name and Synod
2018-2022	Mr. Spencer Hanson, Saskatoon, SK
	(Saskatchewan)
2018-2022	Rev. Dr. Nancy L. Cocks, Medicine Hat, AB
	(Alberta and the Northwest)
2018-2022	Ms. Margaret Peacock, Armstrong, BC
	(British Columbia)

2019–2023	Rev. Dr. Charlene E. Wilson, Sault Ste. Marie, ON (convener) (Central, Northeastern Ontario and Bermuda)
2010 2022	
2019–2023	Ms. Jill Rickwood, Brantford, ON
	(Southwestern Ontario)
2019–2023	Rev. Joyce A. Yanishewski, Thunder Bay, ON
	(Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario)
2021-2024	Rev. Dr. Marion R. Barclay-McKay, North Sydney, NS
	(The Atlantic Provinces)
2021-2024	Mr. Gordon Walford, Ottawa, ON
	(Quebec and Eastern Ontario)
2021-2024	Ms. Leila Paugh, Niagara, ON
	(Southwestern Ontario)

PENSION AND BENEFITS BOARD

9 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Years	Name
2016–2022 (II)	Mr. John Bonnell, Halifax, NS
2019–2022 (I)	Mr. Dan Philips, Calgary, AB
2019–2022 (I)	Mr. J.C. Mackenzie (Mac) Smith, Toronto, ON
2017–2023 (II)	Rev. Corrie Stewart, North River Bridge, NS (convener)
2018–2023 (I)	Mr. David Barber, Toronto, ON
2018–2023 (I)	Rev. Harry J. Currie, Edmonton, AB
2021–2024 (I)	Mr. Bruce Templeton, St. John's, NL
2021–2024 (I)	Rev. Kenneth MacQuarrie, Thorold, ON
2021–2024 (I)	Mr. Donald Walcot, Montreal, QC

Ex-officio – 2 members

Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer Convener of Trustee Board, or alternate

TRUSTEE BOARD

15 Members (no less than 7 and no more than 15, of whom 3 are ex officio; 6 year term)

Years	Name
2016-2022	Mr. Peter McDougall, St. Lambert, QC
2016–2022	Mr. Abel Pandy, Thornhill, ON
2016–2022	Ms. Kathleen Boose, Georgetown, ON
2016–2022	Mr. Rick Johnston, Toronto, ON (convener)
2017–2023	Dr. Margaret Ogilvie, Ottawa, ON
2018–2024	Ms. Lori Ransom, Toronto, ON
2019–2025	Rev. Peter Bush, Winnipeg, MB
2019–2025	Mr. Donald Chu, Toronto, ON
2019–2025	Mr. Douglas A. Wall, Mississauga, ON
2021–2023	Rev. W. Corrie Stewart, North River Bridge, NS
	(convener of Pension and Benefits Board)
2021-2027	Rev. R. Ian Shaw, Simcoe, ON
2021-2027	Dr. Elizabeth A. Speers, Toronto, ON

Ex-officio – 3 members

Principal Clerk, General Assembly Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer Convener of Assembly Council

KNOX COLLEGE, GOVERNING BOARD

15 Members (3 year term, option for 2nd term)

Yea	ars	Name
2016-2022	(II)	Rev. Angie Song, Toronto, ON
2017-2022	(II)	Rev. Janet A. DeWolfe, Toronto, ON
2019-2022	(I)	Ms. Giffy Amofa, Brampton, ON
2019-2022	(I)	Mr. Garth Low, Toronto, ON
2020-2022	(I)	Mr. Justice Agyemang, Mississauga, ON
2017-2023	(II)	Ms. Carol E.F. Jackson, Toronto, ON
2020-2023	(I)	Rev. Dr. Peter D. Coutts, Calgary, AB
2020-2023	(I)	Mr. Robert C. Hayashi, Aurora, ON
2020-2023	(I)	Mr. Mark McElwain, Toronto, ON
2020-2023	(I)	Dr. Kate K McLellan, Rothesay, NB
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Dr. Richard W. Fee, Toronto, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Linda Patton-Cowie, Orillia, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Mr. Randal Phillips, Toronto, ON (convener)
2018-2024	(II)	Rev. Jonathan W. Tait, Whitby, ON **
2021-2024	(I)	Mr. Michael Nettleton, Toronto, ON

Ex-officio - 3 members

Principal

One Faculty member

One member of Knox-Ewart Graduate Association

THE PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, BOARD OF GOVERNORS

12 Members (three year term, option for 2nd term)

Years	S	Name
2016–2022 (II)	Ms. Sharon Dworzak, Laval, QC
2017–2022 (II)	Rev. Charles E. McPherson, Stellerton, NS
2019–2022 (I)	Rev. Katharine Burgess, Quebec City, QC
2019–2022 (I)	Dr. Marilyn Scott, Vaudreuil-Dorion, QC
2017–2023 (II)	Mr. Clayton Bartlett, Albert Bridge, NS (convener)
2017–2023 (II)	Ms. Joan Vogelesan, Montreal, QC
2021–2023 (I)	Rev. Denise Allen-Macartney, Ottawa, ON
2021–2023 (I)	Dr. Robert Bracewell, Montreal, QC
2021–2024 (I)	Mr. Nelson Cheung, Montreal, QC
2021–2024 (I)	Rev. Samar Kandalaft, Kemptville, ON
2021–2024 (I)	Rev. Douglas H. Rollwage, Charlottetown, PE
2021–2024 (I)	Rev. Linda Park, Lindsay, ON

Ex-officio – 5 members

Principal

Director of Pastoral Studies

One other Faculty Member

Student Representative

Representative, Graduates Association

ST. ANDREW'S HALL, BOARD

12 Members (three year term, option for 2nd term)

Years	Name
2018–2022 (II)	Rev. Ena van Zoeren, Salmon Arm, BC
2019–2022 (I)	Rev. Gwen D.T. Brown, Creston, BC
2019–2022 (I)	Dr. Victor Ling, Vancouver, BC

2019–2022	(I)	Mr. Ron Zapp, New Westminster, BC
2017-2023	(II)	Rev. Dr. M. Jean Morris, Calgary, AB (convener)
2017-2023	(II)	Mr. Stephen Roche, Thornhill, ON
2020-2023	(I)	Rev. John J. Paeng, Parksville, BC
2021-2023	(I)	Joseph Bae, Thornhill, ON
2018-2024	(II)	Mr. Matthew Walton-Knight, North Vancouver, BC
2021-2024	(I)	Ms. Mary Rozsa de Coquet, Calgary, AB
2021-2024	(I)	Mr. Neil Singh, Surrey, BC
2021-2024	(I)	Mr. Larry Yen, Vancouver, BC

Ex-officio – 3 members

Representative from Vancouver School of Theology Principal, Vancouver School of Theology Dean, St. Andrew's Hall

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COMMITTEE ON HISTORY

The Assembly called for the report of the Committee on History which, as printed on p. XXX–XXX, was introduced by G.M. Ross, convener.

Omnibus Recommendation HIS-OMB, that the following recommendations be approved, was moved by G.M. Ross, duly seconded. Adopted.

HIS-001 - (p. XXX)	HIS-003 - (p. XXX)	HIS-005 - (p. XXX)
HIS-002 - (p. XXX)	HIS-004 - (p. XXX)	HIS-006 - (p. XXX)

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THEOLOGICAL COLLEGES

The Assembly called for the reports of the Theological Colleges.

GOVERNING BOARD OF KNOX COLLEGE

The report of the Governing Board of Knox College, which, as printed on p. XXX–XXX, was introduced by Mr. Randall Phillips, convener.

Minute of Appreciation

A minute of appreciation, recognizing Dr. Nam Soon Song's service to Knox College and the church at large in the areas of religious education and intercultural studies, was presented to the General Assembly by the following recommendation:

Recommendation KNX-001 (p. XXX) was moved by S. Macdonald, duly seconded. Adopted.

On behalf of the governing board, Mr. Phillips who, upon her retirement, expressed deep appreciation for Dr. Nam Soon Song's 20 years of service to the college, students, graduates and denomination. Dr. Song expressed her thanks for this recognition through a note read by the Moderator.

Minute of Appreciation

Recommendation KNX-002 (p. XXX) was moved by S. Macdonald, duly seconded. Adopted.

Dr. Vissers responded to the minute of appreciation for his service as Knox College Principal by saying that it is a great privilege to work with students and that he is very proud of the students he has taught over the years.

Recommendation KNX-003 (p. XXX) was moved by S. Macdonald, duly seconded. Adopted.

Recommendation KNX-004 (p. XXX) was moved by S. Macdonald, duly seconded. Adopted.

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THE BOARD OF ST. ANDREW'S HALL

The report of the Board of St. Andrew's Hall, which, as printed on p. XXX-XXX, was introduced by the Rev. M.J. Morris, member of the Board.

Omnibus Recommendation SAH-OMB, that the following recommendations be approved, was moved by M.J. Morris, duly seconded. Adopted.

SAH-001 – Minute of Appreciation – the Rev. Dr. Robert Paul

SAH-002 – Appointment of Dean of St. Andrew's Hall, the Rev. Dr. Ross Lockhart

The Rev. Dr. Robert Paul was not present to acknowledge the Minute of Appreciation for his service as Dean of St. Andrew's Hall, however his successor, the Rev. Dr. Ross Lockhart expressed thanks for the recommendation of the Board of St. Andrew's Hall and the decision of the Assembly that he take up this office.

Recommendation SAH-003 (p. XXX) was moved by M.J. Morris, duly seconded. Adopted.

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THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS THE PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE, MONTREAL

The report of the Board of Governors, The Presbyterian College, which, as printed on p. XXX–XXX, was introduced by the Rev. Paul Wu, Vice-Chair of the Board of Governors.

Omnibus Recommendation PCO-OMB, that the following recommendations be approved, was moved by K. Burgess, duly seconded. Adopted.

PCO-001 - Appointment of Principal – the Rev. Dr. Roland De Vries

PCO-002 - Minute of Appreciation – the Rev. Dr. Dan Shute

PCO-003 - Minute of Appreciation – the Rev. Dale Woods

The Rev. Roland De Vries expressed thanks to the Board of Governors and the Assembly for being given the privilege of serving, and being part of, this community of friendship, faith, worship and study.

The Rev. Dan Shute offered thanks for the Minute of Appreciation saying it was a privilege to work with students and the college for more than a generation.

The Moderator noted that the Rev. Dr. Dale Woods was not able to be with the Assembly, but he commended Dr. Woods for his exemplary service to the college.

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WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Assembly called for the report of the Women's Missionary Society which, as printed on p. XXX, was introduced by C. Reid, president.

Motion to Reconsider

A.S. MacDonald moved, duly seconded that pursuant to notice of motion (p. XXX), that the Constitution of the Women's Missionary Society be reconsidered. Adopted.

Recommendation WMS-001 (p. XXX) was moved by J.T. Hurd, duly seconded. Adopted.

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COMMITTEE TO CONFER WITH THE MODERATOR COMMITTEE ON TERMS OF REFERENCE

A. Currie introduced the work of the Committee to Confer with the Moderator and the Committee on Terms of Reference that has taken place during this Assembly.

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ADJOURNMENT

The Moderator adjourned the Assembly with prayer, to reconvene on Wednesday, June 9, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. (EDT), of which public intimation was given.

SIXTH SEDERUNT - DISSENTS

Commissioners asked that their dissent be recorded as follows:

Recommendation LMA-OMB

E.M.W. Charlton: This process has circumvented the agreed upon process of the General Assembly of The Presbyterian Church in Canada. We are doing work that needs to have the time to discussed and worked through as a Church. We are not doing justice to the work that has been done or bringing recognition to the changes that we need to be making and hearing the wider impact of this work on the whole denomination.

A.M. Cornell: One omnibus motion prevented questions and discussion. We rubber stamped responses to overtures and serious social issues which should have been available for open discussion.

Recommendation LMA-034

S.K. Bell: I dissent from this motion as the blessing of same-sex marriage is not in line with the teaching of the Old and New Testaments.

Recommendation LMA-050

D. Krunys: We have confessed the wrongness of claiming to know better. Our best science and thought was once certain it was harmful to live as First Nations did. We were so very wrong. Is it arrogance to presume that now we know the wrongness of how other cultures practise discipline? This feels dangerously like continuing to presume to know better. While this reflects my cultural values, I know it does not for others. For that reason I dissent from this motion.

Recommendations LMA-050, LMA-053 and LMA-054

J.T. Hurd: The study of Scripture undertaken as justification for the conclusions advanced in the recommendations fails to take into consideration the teaching of Hebrews 12: 11 "Discipline always seems painful rather than pleasant at the time, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it." (NRSV)

Recommendation IAF-OMB

E.M.W Charlton: This process has circumvented the agreed upon process of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada. We are doing work that needs to have the time to discussed and worked through as a Church. We are not doing justice to the work that has been done or bringing recognition to the changes that we need to be making and hearing the wider impact of this work on the whole denomination. Issues regarding balance and the need to hear and speak to all sides is being missed. We are allowing the omnibus recommendations to push through recommendations that people obviously want to speak to and discuss but that is being impeded by a change in polity that I can not find in the Book of Forms.

Recommendation Nos. IAF-013

B.J.W Ferrier: The IAF report writes the history of Israel-Palestine from 1948 with a such a pro-Palestinian perspective that it is anti-Semitic, a label I do not use lightly. One of our calls as Christians is to be ambassadors of reconciliation and we do not facilitate that by presenting a position which paints one party as the sole perpetrator of wrong. All the resources recommended in IAF-013 are pro-Palestinian resources and in no way provide a balanced picture.

Recommendation Nos. IAF-014

B.J.W Ferrier: The IAF report writes the history of Israel-Palestine from 1948 with a such a pro-Palestinian perspective that it is anti-Semitic, a label I do not use lightly. One of our calls as Christians is to be ambassadors of reconciliation and we do not facilitate that by presenting a position which paints one party as the sole perpetrator of wrong. All the resources recommended in IAF-014 to influence our congregations are pro-Palestinian and in no way provide a balanced picture.

Recommendation Nos. IAF-015

B.J.W Ferrier: The IAF report writes the history of Israel-Palestine from 1948 with a such a pro-Palestinian perspective that it is anti-Semitic, a label I do not use lightly. One of our calls as Christians is to be ambassadors of reconciliation and we do not facilitate that by presenting a position which paints one party as the sole perpetrator of wrong. I think the Moderator should write to the Prime minister to recommend support for Israel at the same time it raises concerns about Palestine, recognizing the self-defence which is legitimate in response to the terrorism of Hamas.

Recommendation Nos. IAF-016

B.J.W Ferrier: The IAF report writes the history of Israel-Palestine from 1948 with a such a pro-Palestinian perspective that it is anti-Semitic, a label I do not use lightly. One of our calls as Christians is to be ambassadors of reconciliation and we do not facilitate that by presenting a position which paints one party as the sole perpetrator of wrong. I think the Moderator should write a letter to PM supporting Israel in its annexation of occupied territories, recognizing that God himself has granted this land to Israel in perpetuity.

Recommendation Nos. IAF-017

B.J.W Ferrier: The IAF report writes the history of Israel-Palestine from 1948 with a such a pro-Palestinian perspective that it is anti-Semitic, a label I do not use lightly. One of our calls as Christians is to be ambassadors of reconciliation and we do not facilitate that by presenting a position which paints one party as the sole perpetrator of wrong. Recommendation Nos. IAF-018

B.J.W Ferrier: The IAF report pp. 17–21 writes the history of Israel-Palestine from 1948 with a such a pro-Palestinian perspective that it is anti-Semitic, a label I do not use lightly. One of our calls as Christians is to be ambassadors of reconciliation and we do not facilitate that by presenting a position which paints one party as the sole perpetrator of wrong. The resources in Social Action Hub are anti-Israeli and do not give a balanced picture of the situation. How is it that a church that is the wild olive tree, become so completely dismissive of the cultivated olive tree? 17 But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, being a wild olive, were grafted in among them and became partaker with them of the [j]rich root of the olive tree, 18 do not be arrogant toward the branches; but if you are arrogant, remember that it is not you who supports the root, but the root supports you. 19 You will say then, "Branches were broken off so that I might be grafted in." 20 Quite right, they were broken off for their unbelief, but you stand by your faith. Do not be conceited, but fear; 21 for if God did not spare the natural branches, He will not spare you, either. Romans 11:17-21