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2009 Diocesan Report to the Executive Council Of the Episcopal Church



Part 1: Report of New and Closed Congregations

For the year ended December 31, 2009

In compliance with Canon 1.6.4

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Diocesan Report of Congregations

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Report of New Congregations and Closures For the year ending December 31, 2009

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Please list all new and closed congregations below (or attach a list to this page).

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2009 Diocesan Report to the Executive Council
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Part II: Operating Income and Audited Financial Statement

For year ended December 31, 2009 In compliance with Canons I.4.6(i) and 1.7

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REPORT PREPARATION

Financial Report prepared by (print/type name) Phone

Robert Hicks, Diocesan Treasurer 817-602-3914

Audit Report Attached. Yes No X If not, please give date expected: 9-30-2010

(Please complete form, even if audit is not attached.)

BISHOP

(Print/Type name) The Right Reverend C. Wallis Ohl
Signature Date Date CERTIFIED BY TREASURER/FINANCIAL OFFICER
Certified By (Print/Type name): Robert Hicks
Signature Date 8.30.2010

Diocesan Report, Part 2

Diocesan Report of Operating Income

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Revenue Used for Operations	From audited financestatements or diocestatements	ial Adjustments	Adjusted total
I. Pledge payments from congregations			22.06 des 2.00 des 2.00 des 2.00 des
deduct (adjustments column):	\$541,96	5	
Pledge bad debts reported as expense			
on accrual basis financial statements			
 Relmbursements for items paid on behalf of congregations 			60
Other			0
II. Contributions from organizations	377,534,845,00	The state of the s	\$541,965
deduct (adjustments column):	\$2,20	1 0000000000000000000000000000000000000	
Reimbursements for items paid on behalf			
of other organizations or entities		25-77-74	
III. Investments used for operations		\$0	\$2,201
(dividends, interest and/or principal from trusts,	\$(
investments of endowments)			
add (adjustments column);			
Operating expenses paid directly from			
endowment or trusts		BANKA AGA DIKANA	
deduct (adjustments column):		\$ (
Amount from operating budget added to			
investments or endowment		2000	
V. Unrestricted gifts and bequests	\$2,380	\$368,014	(\$368,014)
ada (adjustments column):	32,300		
Funds used from gifts or bequests			
received in previous years		200	
leduct (adjustments column):	7	\$0	
Amounts added to investment or			
endowment balances			
. Other operating income	\$305,080	\$2,380	\$0
dd (adjustments column):	3000		
Operating expenses paid by other			
organizations or entities		<u> </u>	
educt:		\$0 ************************************	
Direct expenses associated with			
rental income	444		
Amounts collected for the benefit of		\$0	
non-operating programs or entitles		CALL STATE OF THE	
Reimbursements for costs incurred for		\$4,407	
the benefit of non-operating programs			
or entities		*474	
Revenue recorded from contributed		\$171,759	
services		The state of the s	
Grants received from Church Center for		\$0	
operations assistance		THE STATE OF THE S	
lumn Totals:	\$851,625	\$100,000	\$26,913
		(\$646,560) d operating income =	\$205,065
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EXHIBIT F

CAUSE NO. 141-237105-09

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH, THE RT. REV. C. WALLIS OHL, ROBERT HICKS FLOYD MCKNEELY, SHANNON SHIPP, DAVID SKELTON, and WHIT SMITH

Plaintiffs

VS.

FRANKLIN SALAZAR, JO ANN PATTON, WALTER VIRDEN, III, ROD BARBER, CHAD BATES, THE RT. REV. JACK LEO IKER, JUDY MAYO, JULIA SMEAD, THE REV. CHRISTOPHER CANTRELL, THE REV. TIMOTHY PERKINS, and THE REV. RYAN REED

Defendants/Counter-Defendants

THE ANGLICAN PROVINCE OF THE SOUTHERN CONE'S "DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH"

Defendant/Third-Party Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant

THE ANGLICAN PROVINCE OF THE SOUTHERN CONE'S "CORPORATION OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH"

Intervenor/Third-Party Plaintiff/ Defendant/Counter-Defendant

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF

TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS

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CHURCH (Richland Hills), CHURCH OF ST. SIMON)
OF CYRENE (Fort Worth), ST. TIMOTHY'S)
CHURCH (Fort Worth), ST. PAUL'S CHURCH)
(Gainesville), GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH)
(Granbury), CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT)
(Graham), ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH (Grand)
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REV. FREDERICK BARBER, THE REV. DAVID)
MADISON, ROBERT M. BASS, CHERIE SHIPP,)
DR. TRACE WORRELL, THE REV. JAMES)
HAZEL, THE REV. JOHN STANLEY, THE RT.)
REV. EDWIN F. GULICK, JR. and KATHLEEN)
WELLS,)
Third-Party Defendants/Counterclaimants)
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THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH,)
Third-Party Defendant)
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AFFIDAVIT OF KATHLEEN WELLS IN SUPPORT OF EPISCOPAL PARTIES'
MOTIONS FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF TARRANT

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BEFORE ME THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, on this day personally appeared KATHLEEN WELLS, who, being by me personally sworn, upon her oath stated:

- 1. My name is Kathleen Wells. I am over eighteen years of age, of sound mind, and fully capable and competent to make this Affidavit. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein, and all facts stated herein are true and correct.
- 2. Since February 7, 2008 I have served as the Chancellor of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth (the "Diocese"), which is a subordinate unit of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America ("The Episcopal Church"). I also served as a delegate from my parish, Trinity Episcopal Church in Fort Worth, to the annual meetings of the Diocesan Convention in 2007, 2008, and 2009, respectively, and also to the special meeting of the Diocesan Convention on February 7, 2009 for the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth. I also served as a deputy from the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth to the meeting of the General Convention of The Episcopal Church in 2009 and now serve on the Church's Standing Commission for Constitution and Canons.
- 3. In September 2008, then-Bishop of the Diocese Jack Leo Iker produced various written statements advocating that the congregations and members of the Diocese should separate from The Episcopal Church and "realign" with the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone. True and correct copies of two such statements are attached as **Exhibits 1 and 2**.
- 4. At the November 14-15, 2008 annual meeting of the Diocesan Convention, which I attended, the breakaway faction led by Iker purported by local majority vote to sever the

Diocese's ties with The Episcopal Church by purporting to replace Article I of the Diocesan Constitution, which stated that "[t]he Church in this Diocese accedes to the Constitution and Canons of the Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and recognizes the authority of the General Convention of said Church," with the following text:

The Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth is a constituent member of the Anglican Communion, a Fellowship within the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church, consisting of those duly constituted Dioceses, Provinces and regional churches in communion with the See of Canterbury, upholding and propagating the historic Faith and Order as set forth in the Old and New Testaments and expressed in the Book of Common Prayer.

A true and correct copy of the Report from the Constitution and Canons Committee to the 26th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, recommending this change to the Diocesan Constitution, is attached hereto as **Exhibit 3**.

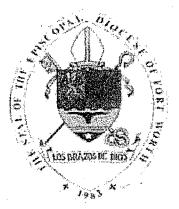
- 5. At the November 14-15, 2008 annual meeting, the Diocesan Convention also purported to adopt the breakaway faction's "Proposed Resolution for Admission to the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone," which stated in relevant part that the Diocese "does hereby accept the provision made by the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone, and the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth does hereby immediately enter into the membership with the Anglican Province." A true and correct copy of this proposed resolution is attached to this Affidavit as Exhibit 4.
- 6. By these actions at the November 14-15, 2008 annual meeting of the Diocesan Convention, the breakaway faction purported to cause the Diocese to join a church located in South America, the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone, that is not a part of The Episcopal Church. Attached hereto as **Exhibit 5** is a true and correct copy of a November 16, 2008 statement by the breakaway faction entitled "As We Realign," in which the breakaway faction

claims to have "withdrawn from the General Convention" and "realigned with another Province of the Anglican Communion."

- 7. On November 24, 2008, the former members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese—The Rev. Christopher Cantrell, The Rev. Thomas Hightower, Judy Mayo, The Rev. Timothy Perkins, Frank Salazar, and Walter Virden—and Bishop Iker published their response to the Presiding Bishop's inhibition of Iker on November 21, 2008, clearly indicating that they did not consider themselves to be part of The Episcopal Church. A true and correct copy of that response is attached hereto as **Exhibit 6**.
- 8. On February 7, 2009, the Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church, The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori, called to order a Special Meeting of the Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth after acknowledging that, at that time, there was "no Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, or any qualified members of the Standing Committee of that Diocese." Attached hereto as **Exhibit 7** is a true and correct copy of the Notice of Special Meeting of the Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth from the Presiding Bishop.
- 9. The individual defendants other than Bishop Iker assumed their respective positions as Trustees of the Diocesan Corporation, Trustees of the Fund for the Endowment of the Episcopate, and members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese on or at various times prior to November 15, 2008, by virtue of their qualification at the time of their election under diocesan canons as lay persons in good standing of a parish or mission in the Diocese, or members of the Clergy canonically resident in the Diocese, and their election to those offices by the Diocesan Convention. Before and after the breakaway faction purported to sever ties with The Episcopal Church and affiliate with the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone, the

continuing local members of The Episcopal Church have continued to worship in Fort Worth as part of The Episcopal Church and its Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth.

- 10. The Diocese has consistently sent representatives to meetings of both houses of The Episcopal Church's General Convention, including to the Convention's most recent meetings in 2006 and 2009.
- 11. Since before I became a member of The Episcopal Church in Fort Worth in 1987, The Episcopal Church has been providing religious services in the north-central Texas area continuously using (1) the name "Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth" and (2) a graphical depiction of a shield (the "Diocesan Shield"). Until on or about November 15, 2008, I was aware of no other organization that identified itself by (1) the name "The Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth" or (2) the graphical depiction of a shield used to identify the Diocese. Reproduced below is a true and correct copy of the Diocesan Shield.



Through this use, the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, as a unit of The Episcopal Church, has established substantial goodwill in the name "Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth" and in the Diocesan Shield. Those rights have been recognized by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, which granted Federal Registration Nos. 3,820,400 (name) and 3,826,996

(seal) for the service marks. True and correct copies of the certificates of registration from the United States Patent and Trademark Office are attached hereto as **Exhibit 8**.

- and purported to "realign" the Diocese with the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone, that breakaway faction continued to use the name "Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth" and the Diocesan Shield in connection with their provision of religious services. This has included use and display of the name "Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth" and the Diocesan Shield in official communications, on the breakaway faction's website, http://www.fwepiscopal.org, and on various mailings and other publications. Attached as **Exhibit 9** are true and correct copies of examples of such unauthorized uses of the Diocesan name and shield.
- 14. Attached hereto are true and correct copies of the following documents issued in conjunction with the annual meetings of the Diocesan Convention in 2007 and 2009, respectively:
- a. Excerpts from the Journal of the annual meeting of the Diocesan Convention in 2007 (Exhibit 10);
- b. Excerpts from the Journal of the special and annual meetings of the Diocesan Convention in 2009 (Exhibit 11).
- 15. Attached hereto is a true and correct copy of the text of Canon 11 "Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth," applicable from 1982 1989, and then renumbered in 1989 as Canon 17 "Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth," applicable through 2008, of the Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth (Exhibit 12).

Waller Wells

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME this 6 day of October, 2010.

STEPHANIE ROWELL

NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF TEXAS
COMMISSION EXPIRES:
10-06-2011

Notary Public, State of Texas



REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

TO

THE 26TH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH

EXHIBIT

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PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT B (Presented as D last year)

This was presented to the Twenty-fifth Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth. It was adopted last year with amendments. This is being submitted for the second reading.

Right Reverend Sir:

On behalf of the Committee on Constitution and Canons, we present the following amendment to Article 1 of the Constitution of this Diocese, as proposed by the Standing Committee:

Existing text:

ARTICLE 1

AUTHORITY OF GENERAL CONVENTION

The Church in this Diocese accedes to the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church, and recognizes the authority of the General Convention of said Church provided that no action of General Convention which is contrary to Holy Scripture and the Apostolic Teaching of the Church shall be of any force or effect in this Diocese.

Proposed text:

ARTICLE 1

ANGLICAN IDENTITY

The Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth is a constituent member of the Anglican Communion, a Fellowship within the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church, consisting of those duly constituted Dioceses, Provinces and regional churches in communion with the See of Canterbury, upholding and propagating the historic Faith and Order as set forth in the Old and New Testaments and expressed in the Book of Common Prayer.

The Committee on Constitution and Canons unanimously recommends adoption.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION FOR ADMISSION TO THE ANGLICAN PROVINCE OF THE SOUTHERN CONE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, meeting in its 26th Annual Convention, does hereby accept the provision made by the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone, and the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth does hereby immediately enter into membership with the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone as a full and equal constituent member of such province, and the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth does hereby accede to the authority of the Constitution and Canons of the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone to the extent such Constitution and Canons are not contrary to Holy Scripture and the teaching of the one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

Pro	posed	by	the	Committee	on	Constitution	and	Canons
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Explanation:

The Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth has resolved to remain within the family of the Anglican Communion while dissociating itself from the moral, theological, and disciplinary innovations of The Episcopal Church in the United States of America. The Synod of the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone, meeting Nov. 5-7, 2007, voted to welcome into membership of their Province those dioceses of The Episcopal Church in the United States of America who share this resolve.

Therefore the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, acting by and through its lawfully constituted convention of clergy and lay delegates, proposes to enter into affiliation with the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone.





The Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth · As We Realign

Our 26th annual convention has taken action to secure our future as a diocese.

During the Nov. 14 & 15 diocesan convention, your clergy and elected delegates have taken a stand as faithful members of the worldwide Anglican Communion. They have heeded the call to "contend for the faith that was once for all entrusted to the saints." (Jude 3)

What has changed?

By voting to change our diocesan Constitution and Canons, we have withdrawn from the General Convention, dissociating ourselves from the moral, theological, and disciplinary innovations of The Episcopal Church. We have realigned with another Province of the Anglican Communion. This is a change in affiliation, not a change in worship or doctrine.

Our Bishop, clergy, and congregations have been received into the fellowship of the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone. We are deeply grateful to Archbishop Gregory Venables for this provision, which he has made on a temporary and emergency basis, in response to the crisis in The Episcopal Church. We now look forward to the formation of an Anglican Province in North America.

Where we stand.

We remain true to the historic faith and order of the Church.

We remain a member diocese of the Anglican Communion.

We remain the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth. The word "episcopal" identifies us as part of the apostolic succession, with a bishop as our elected chief pastor.

We remain in communion with other Episcopalians. We share fellowship with all those in any Province who recognize the authority of Scripture and the faith and order of historic Anglicanism.

Everyone is welcome to worship in our churches this Sunday and every Sunday. Our liturgy remains the same, our name is the same. Most of all, we remain committed to the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



What is the status of our clergy?

Our clergy continue to be licensed for ministry by Bishop Iker. TEC benefit programs, which may no longer be available to them, have been replaced by new group insurance policies and a retirement plan. Clergy who have established pension accounts in TEC will be eligible at retirement to receive benefits earned. While these will be less than they might have had by staying with the program longer, their new investment plan will provide supplemental retirement funds.

What about those Episcopalians who disagree with the decision to realign?

We know that not everyone agrees with this change. Those who dissent are valued brothers and sisters in Christ, and they are welcome to remain in their congregations. For some, however, it may be necessary to separate from the diocese, perhaps permanently. In a few cases, it may be the will of a majority of the members in a particular parish to remain in The Episcopal Church. Where this is the case, the Bishop, Standing Committee, and Board of Trustees hope to work with the rector and vestry to come to a mutually agreeable separation and settlement of property issues without resort to lawsuits or other hostile actions.

What response should we expect from representatives of the General Convention?

We expect a number of announcements in the days, weeks, and months ahead. Among these may be plans for a new General Convention-member diocese in this 24-county area. There may be lawsuits testing the ownership of our properties. And action may be taken to remove our Bishop and clergy from their positions in ministry in the General Convention church. But such action will have no practical effect, since they will already be ministering under the authority of another Anglican Province. These developments may generate news headlines, and they may cause some confusion, but they will not prevent us from going forward in mission as a diocese.

What next?

On Nov. 24, Bishop Iker will meet with the clergy on the topic of "Moving Forward – Life After TEC." Other events for clergy and lay people will be announced in the weeks ahead. Please continue to pray for our diocese, for all Episcopalians, and for the Church throughout the world. Let us pray for God's guidance for ourselves and for the leadership of our churches and diocese. Let us seek the peace that passes understanding. Let us rejoice in God's saving grace and continue to carry his message of love and salvation to the world.



The actions of our 26th diocesan convention assure us of our future as traditional Anglicans. We are now free to carry out our diocesan mission, "To equip the saints for the work of ministry."



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH

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THE RT. REV. JACK LEO IKER, Bishop

November 24, 2008

RESPONSES TO ATTEMPTED INHIBITION OF THE BISHOP

FORT WORTH, Texas – A letter of inhibition and supporting documents were issued Friday, Nov. 21, from the office of Katharine Jefferts Schori, Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church, to the Rt. Rev. Jack Leo Iker, Bishop of Fort Worth. However the inhibition is of no force or effect, since the Bishop and Diocese, meeting in annual convention, constitutionally realigned with another province of the Anglican Communion on Saturday, Nov. 15, and are now constituent members of the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone. Documents to this effect have been made public. Consequently, this attempted inhibition will not deter the Bishop from the continuance of his ministry.

Two responses are being issued at this time. From Bishop Iker:

Katharine Jefferts Schori has no authority over me or my ministry as a Bishop in the Church of God. She never has, and she never will.

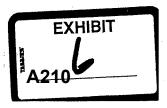
Since November 15, 2008, both the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth and I as the Diocesan Bishop have been members of the Anglican Province of the Southern Cone. As a result, canonical declarations of the Presiding Bishop of The Episcopal Church pertaining to us are irrelevant and of no consequence.

The Rt. Rev. Jack Leo Iker Bishop of Fort Worth

From the Standing Committee:

The Standing Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth is a member of the Province of the Southern Cone as of November 15, 2008. Bishop Iker is a member in good standing of the House of Bishops of the Province of the Southern Cone.

We wonder by what authority the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church in the United States presumes to inhibit a bishop of the Province of the Southern Cone. We do not recognize



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the authority of the Presiding Bishop over us. We regret this illegal, unconstitutional, and uncanonical attempt to interfere with the rights and ministry of a diocese of another province of the Anglican Communion. We call upon her to desist from any further actions in our diocese and that she refrain from any further border crossing.

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Hightower President, Standing Committee

The Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth consists of 56 congregations. The major cities in the diocese include Fort Worth, Arlington, Hurst-Euless-Bedford, Wichita Falls, Grand Prairie, Richland Hills, Brownwood, and Stephenville, Texas. The Rt. Rev. Jack L. Iker has served as the third Diocesan Bishop of Fort Worth since 1995. The diocese enjoys companion relationships with the Dioceses of Northern Malawi and Northern Mexico.

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Contact:

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THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Most Reverend Katharine Jefferts Schori Presiding Bishop and Primate

Notice of Special Meeting of the Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, Saturday, February 7, 2009, Trinity Episcopal Church, Fort Worth, Texas

There being at this time no Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, or any qualified members of the Standing Committee of that Diocese, as the Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, in consultation with the Steering Committee of faithful Episcopalians of that Diocese, I hereby give notice that at 1:30 p.m. CST on Saturday, February 7, 2009, at Trinity Episcopal Church, Fort Worth, Texas, I shall call to order a Special Meeting of the Convention of that Diocese.

The purpose of this Meeting will be the election of a Provisional Bishop of the Diocese. Thereafter, the Convention is expected to proceed to the election or appointment of members of the Standing Committee, Executive Council, and other officers of the Diocese; adoption of a budget; and consideration of resolutions relating to recent purported amendments of the Constitution and canons of the Diocese as well as other resolutions relating to the organization and governance of the Diocese.

All qualified clerical and lay delegates to the Convention are urged to attend. Criteria for qualification and a proposed agenda for the meeting will be provided in a subsequent notice.

The meeting will be open to the public as space permits.

For further information, please refer to http://www.episcopaldiocesefortworth.org or contact either of the Co-Chairs of the aforementioned Steering Committee: Walter Cabe (walter.cabe@att.net) and the Rev'd Canon Courtland Moore (courtmoore@verizon.net).



(The Most Rev'd) Katharine Jefferts Schori XXVI Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church

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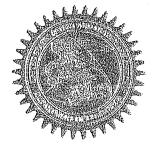
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The Rt. Rev. Jack L. Iker, D.D., Bishop of Fort Worth

THE BISHOP'S DOLLARS ANNUAL APPEAL LENT 2010

"Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." II Corinthians 9:7

Dear Friends in Christ:

It is Lent once again, and this is the time for my annual appeal to every household in our diocese for support of the "Bishop's Dollars" campaign. Please assist me in responding to the many needs that come to my attention during the course of the year from a variety of sources.

Your gift will be a blessing to someone who looks to me as their Chief Pastor in time of financial need. It will also enable me to provide for a number of ministry needs that are not included in the annual budget of the diocese.

This coming fall, we will have five full-time seminarians from our diocese, some of whom are married with children. This fund is one way I have to assist them in meeting their unique needs. In addition, special cases in clergy families are often brought to my attention, and it is always good for me to be able to assist them financially, as well as spiritually. Along with the Bishop's Discretionary Fund offerings received at the time of my annual visitation to your church, this annual Lenten appeal is an important resource to provide for many different needs.

Please use the enclosed envelope for your gift to this year's "Bishop's Dollars" campaign. Thank you in advance for helping to assist others in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. May you have a blessed Lent, and may your giving increase your joy.

Faithfully in Christ,

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The Rt. Rev. Jack Leo Iker Bishop of Fort Worth

Enclosure



An Appeal from the Bishop for the LEGAL DEFENSE FUND

Dear Faithful Parishioners,

It is time for every loyal parishioner in the Diocese to step forward and make a contribution to our Legal Defense Fund. Every gift matters – every donation is important! Our goal is to raise a minimum of \$1 million to cover our legal fees as a result of the litigation brought against us by The Episcopal Church and its local supporters. At stake is everything we have as a Diocese – ownership of Camp Crucis and the Diocesan Center, our churches and property, our bank accounts and investments, our clergy and our Bishop. TEC wants it all!

As you know, by a margin of 80% our 2008 Diocesan Convention voted to remove all references to The Episcopal Church from our Constitution and Canons. TEC was formed as a voluntary association, and it remains so today. A diocese can withdraw from TEC by a Convention vote, just as it joined TEC by a Convention vote. However, the minority group who disagreed with this decision claimed that we did not have the legal right to do so and declared that all our church property actually belongs to TEC. They held a bogus meeting in 2009 where they attempted to replace all the legitimate officers of the Diocese and the Corporation of the Diocese, and they later declared all our clergy were deposed from the ordained ministry. It is this bogus group of representatives who have sued us, the real Diocese and the real Corporation, demanding that we turn over all our property and assets to them!

While this fairy tale may have initially confused the Tarrant County trial court, the Appellate Court was not confused and ruled on June 25th that these individuals could not sue us in the name of the Diocese and of the Corporation, but only as individuals. They have now refiled their suit in their own names. In the end, we are confident that the Texas courts will enforce our state laws governing corporations and property ownership.

In addition, we have been dragged into a second court case (this one in Hood County) where TEC supporters are trying to prevent St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Fort Worth from receiving funds left to them in a bequest by a parishioner. TEC wants the money sent to them instead!

I am saddened by the necessity of having to defend ourselves in these lawsuits. We did not initiate this litigation, and in fact, we have done everything we could to avoid it. From the beginning, we asked the disenchanted minority to join us in developing a reasonable plan to divide the property and assets of the Diocese so that we all could continue to carry on God's work without the distractions created by litigation. In fact, the Corporation deeded their church property to Trinity Church in Fort Worth, St. Luke's in Stephenville, and St. Martin's in Keller, because these parishes wished to remain in TEC. We were in the process of doing the same for others when TEC

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filed suit against us, demanding all of our property. The Presiding Bishop of TEC has insisted that TEC must have ALL of the assets and property of our Diocese. Given that position, we have had no alternative but to engage legal counsel to protect our interests and to bring this process to an end at the earliest possible time.

It is the strategy of TEC in all of its litigation to make it as expensive as possible for those it sues, so that they either give up or are unable to continue the process of litigation. The only way we have been able to defend our congregations in court so far is through the generous support of Dick and Marsland Moncrief. To date the Moncriefs and a few others have contributed about \$900,000 to our defense, and the litigation costs continue! I feel the time has now come for our legal fees to be shared by all concerned members of this diocese, not just a few, and for that reason I am asking for your support.

Please consider making a special gift to this fund, which will qualify as a tax-deductible charitable donation to the Diocese. Though one-time gifts are great, it would help if you could pledge a certain amount over a period of several weeks or months. With your help, we are optimistic about our goal of securing our legal position as a diocese, but it is a very expensive process. In the event that our funds are not exhausted before litigation ends, the balance will be directed toward the mission of the Church.

Thank you for considering this need. Do uphold this whole campaign in your prayers!

Faithfully in Christ,

The Rt. Rev. Jack Leo Iker Bishop of Fort Worth

Questions and Answers about the litigation

How did this controversy end up in court? Aren't Christians supposed to be able to solve their differences without resorting to lawsuits?

We are in court as defendants, in a suit brought against us by The Episcopal Church and their local supporters. Yes, we offered out-of-court settlements and even deeded church property to them, but this was not acceptable to the other side. They don't want just what's theirs - they want what's ours as well!

What's at stake if we lose in the courts?

All church property and assets would be placed under the control of TEC. Our clergy and Bishop would be removed from the churches and replaced by TEC loyalists. Only those who swore allegiance to the revisionist doctrines and practices of TEC could hold any office. Finally, they would need to sell some of the property they acquired in order to recover their own legal expenses.

Questions and Answers, cont.

How much has this lawsuit cost us, and how much more it is likely to require?

Since the litigation was filed against us in April 2009, we have spent close to \$1 million in attorney fees. Considering that the case will likely end up before the Texas Supreme Court, even with our attorneys

reducing their hourly rates as low as possible, we can anticipate at least an additional \$1 million to see it through to a conclusion. With roughly 8,000 households in the diocese, this amount could be raised through individual contributions of \$125 per family, at a rate of \$25 per month over five months.

Number of Participants	Pledge Amount	Number of Pledge Payments	Amount of Each Payment
8,000	\$125	5	\$25
4,000	\$250	5	\$50
1,000	\$1,000	12	\$84
750	\$1,334	12	\$111

The chart at right breaks down the

\$1 million goal, showing average pledges needed depending on the number of participating households. If each household contributes as it is able, the goal can be reached in a timely way.

Who has paid the bills for all this?

Dick and Marsland Moncrief have stepped forward and paid nearly all of this, but this one family should not be expected to bear the entire burden for the rest of us! Every parishioner should help bear some of this load, and that is why we have launched this Legal Defense Fund Appeal. It is our battle, not someone else's!

Be assured that no funds have come from church assessments or the diocesan budget. The mission work of the diocese continues. While we have made cuts in spending as these challenging economic times have demanded, we have not done so to divert funds for litigation.

How many people support the TEC position, and how many stand with Bishop Iker?

It is roughly a 20/80 split. The convention delegates who voted to separate from TEC in 2008, the number of congregations aligning with Bishop Iker, and the average Sunday attendance of those remaining with the diocese since the split are a solid 80% of the total.

Why should we give money for lawyer fees, when we would rather support the ministry of the Church?

The lawyers we have hired are devout Christians who see the battle we are engaged in as spiritual warfare. Defending the truth of the historic faith and practice of the Church is part of our ministry as a diocese. Our legal team is attempting to protect our churches from a hostile takeover, and their fees are well below the normal attorney fees. No lawyer gets rich on court cases involving church controversies. Without this representation, we would be overwhelmed by the other side. Our attorneys believe in what we are standing up for as Christians, and they deserve fair compensation for their services. They see their professional work as part of their ministry.

How can we learn more?

Attend your deanery's Pre-Convention meeting in October, or ask your priest for an update. Also, check the diocesan Web site, www.fwepiscopal.org, for regular updates.

Litigation Perspective

FROM OUR LEAD ATTORNEY, J. SHELBY SHARPE

The litigation that The Episcopal Church has filed in Tarrant County and Hood County needs to be put in proper perspective for your understanding and to obtain a sense of peace in your heart.

Keep these thoughts in mind as you pray:

- First, the litigation is contrary to 1 Corinthians 6: 1-7. Thus, God is not the author of the suit although He has allowed it to happen.
- Second, the response to the suit by your leaders is based on sound law that, if followed by the court, should result in a defeat for those bringing the litigation.
- Third, The Episcopal Church is asking for property that it did not buy nor does it have any legal or ecclesiastical right to receive.
- Fourth, your leaders who have been sued have conducted themselves in accordance with law, pertinent ecclesiastical documents, and the Scriptures.
- Fifth, the response of your leaders seeks no relief from the court that is contrary to any Scripture.
- Sixth, the response of your leaders to those suing them will be made in a Christ-honoring manner, whether in or out of court.
- Seventh, pray for those representing your leaders that God will lead and guide them so that He is glorified in all that is done.
- Eighth, pray for the leaders of The Episcopal Church and the others who have brought the suit that they will hear and obey what God would have them do.
- Ninth, pray that your leaders and all who support them will be a good testimony to those who do not know the Lord who are watching the litigation so these lost people will not be discouraged from seeking Jesus. This includes speaking no evil of those who have brought the suit.
- Tenth, pray for each court before whom the suit goes, that God will protect each from any influence other than His, and that justice will be the basis for every ruling.

Heading our legal team ...



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DIOCESAN CALENDAR - PENTECOST 2010

Boldface type	indicates Bishop	lker's visitations • Unless otherwise indicated, all meetings are held at the Diocesan Center for Ministry
January	8/29	ST. VINCENT'S CATHEDRAL, Bedford
hdrawer	8/31	10 a.m. Board of Trustees
	9/5	ST. ANDREW'S, Grand Prairie
Mirrol	9/6	Labor Day Holiday – Diocesan Offices closed
Spril	9/9	1:30 p.m. Executive Council
Aday	9/11	St. Anselm's School of Theology begins academic year, St. Peter & St. Paul, Arlington
June	9/12	ST. MATTHIAS, Dallas
	9/18	Family Fun Fest, Camp Crucis
July	9/19	ASCENSION & ST. MARK, Wise County (Bishop Wantland)
August	9/20	9:30 a.m. Clergy Day with Archbishops Robert Duncan and Mouneer Anis
September	9/21-23	ARDF Board of Trustees Meeting, St. Andrew's, Fort Worth
Cretoher	9/25	9:30 a.m. Day of Discovery, St. Peter & St. Paul, Arlington
Newanter	9/26	ST. PETER & ST. PAUL, Arlington
	9/27	1:30 p.m. Standing Committee
December	9/29	7 p.m. Ordination of Andrew Petta to the priesthood, St. Vincent's, Bedford

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With faith, hope, and love

Churches helping families through hard times

On Thursdays the food comes in. On Tuesdays it goes out again. Week in, week out, that has been the routine at Christ the King, Fort Worth, for a dozen years or more. The church's food bank ministry is housed in a portable building on the west side of the parking lot, walking distance from the bus stops on Camp Bowie Blvd.

The parish-run ministry is powered by the time,

talents, and treasure of the congregation, but principally by Andy and Judy Perrier, who have made it their labor of love.

About 2,000 pounds of food are purchased each month. Selections are made from a shopping list provided by the Tarrant Area Food Bank. Name-brand items are purchased



Bags of staple grocery items stand ready as Eloise Paula chats with one of the churd's Tuesday visitors. Behind her, Donna Whitson keeps USDA-required records.

at bargain prices, and the selections are stored on shelves and in refrigerators till distribution day. Fr. Jon Jenkins, rector of Christ the King, says the whole program cost only about \$2,500 in 2008.

An air of calm pervades the workroom, and the team takes an interest in each family it serves. A retired couple may be offered some coffee creamer; a young mother may come away with a treat for her children's school lunch bags.

"I never knew you were here," says one first-time visitor whose husband had his hours cut back at

work. On a recent Tuesday, three of the first 11 families served were new to the food pantry.

Demand for hot meals and grocery assistance is growing in many areas of the diocese. Since September, St. Mark's, Arlington, has operated a soup kitchen every Thursday at lunchtime. (For more about this, see fuepiscopal.org.)

St. Sim on's Church in southeast Fort Worth has been a leader in the cooperative SEARCH (South East Area Churches) ministry for 15 years. The church has been the ministry's No. 1 donor for 12 of those years, contributing cash and grocery items every week, plus family-sized food baskets at Thanksgiving and other gifts at Christmas and Easter. A member of the parish currently serves as president of the SEARCH board. "The needs

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David Micker, Eloise Paula, and Sandy Kruse (at right – bagging potatoes on St. Patrick's Day) preparefood for needy families who come each Tuesday to the small building at the rear of the church property. In February Christ the King served 93 households, representing well over 200 men, women, and children in the four-zipcode area of west Fort Worth that the pantry serves.



From the Bishop God's great surprise

by the Rt. Rev. Jack L. Iker, Bishop of Fort Worth

Have you ever stopped to think what a huge surprise that first Easter Day was to the friends of Jesus? The women going to the tomb early that morning certainly didn't expect to find it empty! They had gone to anoint a dead body, not to witness a resurrection. They had not expected to see the stone rolled away and the body of Jesus miss-

ing from his grave. The Gospel writers describe them as astonished and amazed. At first they failed to understand what had happened, thinking perhaps that someone had come during the night and stolen the crucified body of Jesus.

And as for his other disciples - Peter, James, John and the others where were they? They had not hurried out to the tomb that Easter morning expecting to see that Jesus had risen from the dead. No, they were still in hiding, paralyzed by grief and fear, behind the locked

doors in an upstairs room of a friend's house. When the women came and told them that the body of Jesus was not in his tomb, they didn't say, "Oh, yes, we thought this might happen. We expected Jesus might rise from the dead." No, they were surprised and bewildered, just like the women, and they could hardly believe it. So Peter and John jumped up and ran to the tomb, finding it just as the women had said. It was only later,

when the risen Jesus came seeking them back in the upper room, that they understood and be-

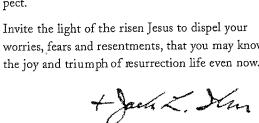
Easter was God's great surprise to those first Christians, and it remains the miraculous act of God that is the sure foundation of our faith. Because Jesus is truly risen from the dead, we know

> that we too are raised with him to eternal life, by his grace and power.

Is there room in your faith for God to surprise you? Is there room for a God who raises the dead and heals the sick and answers prayer? Our problem is not that we expect too much of God, but that we expect too little. But the message of Easter is that our God does miraculous things and brings new life in ways that we do not expect. He is the God who liberates and delivers us from sin and death and gives us

hope for the future. All is not lost, even when things may look rather dismal and bleak. Look to God through the lens of the Easter faith and expect him to surprise you in ways you may not ex-

worries, fears and resentments, that you may know the joy and triumph of resurrection life even now.



DIOCESAN CALENDAR - EASTER 2009

.77	4/13	Diocesan Offices closed
	4/19	Discretion
	4/20	9:30 a.m. Commission on Ministry 1:30 p.m. Standing Committee
April	4/26	ST. SIMON'S, Fort Worth
	5/2	Diocesan Convocation for all convention delegates,
May	5/3	ST. JOHN'S, Fort Worth
	5/10	IGLESIA SAN MIGUEL, Fort Worth
	5/16	ECW Quiet Day, St. John's, Fort Worth
	5/17	GOOD SHEPHERD, Granbury
	5/18	9:30 a.m. Committee on Ministry 1:30 p.m. Standing Committee
	5/21	Ascension Day
	5/24	GOOD SHEPHERD, Brownwood (Bishop Iker), and ST. ANTHONY, Alvarado (Bishop Wantland)
	5/31	The Day of Pentecost ST. LAURENCE, Grapevine

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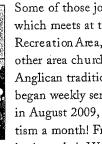
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"Are you coming to our church?"

New congregations active in worship, ministry

With six new congregations added to the diocese in the closing weeks of 2009, Bishop Iker has begun making his first episcopal visitation to each.

During Advent the Bishop visited the diocesan church plant of Christ the Redeemer in Fort Worth, confirming or receiving 13 members.

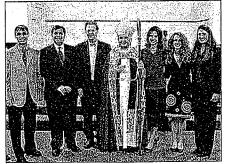


At King of Glory, acolytes Will Stamey and Will Wallace assisted Canon Hough with the Gospel lesson.

Some of those joining the mission church, which meets at the Lockheed Martin Recreation Area, have transferred from other area churches; others are new to the Anglican tradition. Christ the Redeemer began weekly services just six months ago, in August 2009, and is averaging one baptism a month! Fr. Christopher Culpepper is vicar, their Web site is www.ctrfw.org.

On Jan. 23, the Bishop and Canon Charles Hough joined Fr. Darryl Pigeon and Fr. Randall Foster in Waco for a wellattended Saturday afternoon service of

confirmation. The congregation, which has taken the name King of Glory, was organized by friends Jeff Wallace and Jeff Fish, who paid a visit to



King of Glory, Waco, is meeting in the chapel of the First Baptist Church. Young families make up the majority of the congregation.

Bishop Iker in Nove mber to ask for admission as a mission station of the diocese. (See their Web site at kingofglory.org) Visitors at the January confirmation service were greeted by a young lady of elementary-school age who offe red service bulletins and asked, "A re you



Fr. Christopher Culpepper (front row, right) and Bishop Iker posed with church members who were confirmed or received at Christ the Redeemer in December.

coming to our church?"

The congregation of St. Gabriel's in Springdale, Aik., hosted an ecumenical Evening Prayer service on Friday, Feb. 5. The community event was held to raise funds for the relief of earthquake victims;

its theme was "Have a Heart for Haiti." Fr. John Slavin represented the Anglican tradition, while priests from the local Roman Catholic and Antiochian Orthodox churches joined him as worship leaders, bringing together the



three great strains of Christianity. Reporting on the service, the local newspaper called them "cousins" who "came together for a common cause." (As it happened, all three priests were named John!) The funds raised during the evening benefited the Anglican Relief and Development Fund. To see photos, go to Fr. Slavin's blog, anglicanapologist.blogspot.com.



From the Bishop

A season of repentance and forgiveness

by the Rt. Rev. Jack L. Iker, Bishop of Fort Worth

The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, "God, I thank thee that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulteers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get." But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, "God be merciful to me a sinner!" (Luke 18:11-13)

Lent is a penitential season of fasting, prayer and self-denial. Our emphasis for these 40 days is upon repentance and forgiveness. We are called to recognize and confess our sins, to ask God's forgiveness and mercy, and to pray for grace to amend our lives according to His will. It means being changed by a daily pattern of repentance, forgiveness and amendment of life.

In our Lord's parable of the Pharisee and the tax collector (Luke 18:9-14) Jesus contrasts two very different spiritual attitudes in our relationship with God. The first is one of pride, self-righteousness, and superiority. The Pharisee reminds God that he is a good and pious man, better than others. The tax collector, on the other hand, knows he is a sinful man, undeserving of God's forgiveness and love. In sadness and humility, he throws himself upon the mercy of the Lord. Jesus concludes with a central teaching that runs throughout the entire Bible: "Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted." (verse 14)

Lent is a time to grow in humility. First, it requires daily self-examination and confession, as we acknowledge our faults and failures before God. Second, it requires contrition, an expression of our sorrow for the things we have done and left undone. Then we resolve to do better, as we ask for God's strength and help to amend our lives, and we offer ourselves as channels of His love and forgiveness in our interactions with others.

Several times a day throughout this Lent, make a habit of repeating an ancient prayer that comes to us from the Eastern Orthodox tradition called the Jesus Prayer:

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy upon me a sinner. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, have mercy upon me a sinner. Lord Jesus Christ ...

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DIOCESAN CALENDAR - LENT 2010

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7.4.7	3/21	GOOD SHEPHERD, Wichita Falls
March April	3/22	9:30 a.m. Commission on Ministry 1:30 p.m. Standing Committee
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30.	3/28	Sunday of the Passion – Palm Sunday
Augens	3/30	10:30 a.m. Mass of Collegiality, St. Vincent's Cathedral, Bedford
Cesa ceeder i 12 ooks	4/2	Good Friday Diocesan Offices closed until Tuesday, April 6
ls gravingt en	4/4	Easter Sunday
Mornistan	4/11	ALL SAINTS', Fort Worth

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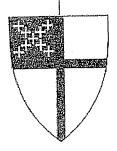
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Twenty-Seventh Annual Convention of the

Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth November 13 - 14, 2009

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Special Meeting of Convention February 7, 2009





Minutes

Before the business meeting, the convention offered the Holy Eucharist at All Saints' Church on which occasion the Presiding Bishop, the Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts-Schori was principal celebrant and preacher.

The Presiding Bishop called the special meeting to order at 1:40 P.M. and, after leading prayer, reminded the convention that when in a diocese there is neither sitting bishop nor standing committee, as was the situation that day, the canons of the Episcopal Church require the presiding bishop to consult with members of the diocese to provide episcopal ministry and to elect qualified persons to other required canonical functions.

The Presiding Bishop appointed the following acting officers:

•	Secretary of the Convention	The Rev. Bruce W. Coggin
•	Chair, Credentials Committee	The Rev. Courtland M. Moore
•	Chair, Dispatch of Business Committee	Walt Cabe
	Parliamentarian	Betty Green
0	Chancellor	Kathleen Wells
•	Chair, Elections Committee	The Rev. Bill Taylor

Walt Cabe, Chair of Dispatch of Business, presented the agenda (in the hands of all delegates) and moved its adoption, the motion seconded by many. Motion carried unanimously.

The Rev. J. Frederick Barber, Rector of Trinity Church, welcomed the convention on behalf of the parish vestry.

Mr. Cabe introduced and welcomed the following visitors:

- The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts-Schori, Presiding Bishop, the Episcopal Church
- The Rt. Rev. Edwin Gulick, Bishop of Kentucky, and Mrs. Gulick
- The Rt. Rev. Larry Benefield, Bishop of Arkansas
- The Rt. Rev. Sam Hulsey, Bishop of Northwest Texas, retd., and Mrs. Hulsey
- The Rt. Rev. Rayford High, Bishop Suffragan of Texas, and Mrs. High
- The Rt. Rev. Paul Lambert, Bishop Suffragan of Dallas
- Dr. Dean E. Williams, President, Brite Divinity School
- Max Patterson, President, Province VII, the Episcopal Church, and Mrs. Patterson
- The Rev. Canon Rick Cluett, Presiding Bishop's Pastoral Assistant for Reorganizing Dioceses
- The Rev. Bob Allen, Presiding Bishop's Pastoral Liaison for the Steering Committee North Texas Episcopalians
- The Rev. Michael McEwen, Province VII Military Network, and Mrs. McEwen
- The Rev. Tim Carson, Pastor, University Christian Church (Fort Worth)
- The Rev. David Lowe
- Ann Rudig, Director of Communications, the Episcopal Church

Mr. Cabe further thanked the members of the team that has worked with the Presiding Bishop to respond to the situation in the Diocese of Fort Worth: Bishop Gulick, Bishop Clay Matthews, Canon Cluett, the Rev. Robert Allen, David Beers, Mary Kostel. He also thanked Trinity Church, its rector, wardens, and vestry, for the parish's hospitality during the months leading up to the convention.

The Presiding Bishop noted that the rules of order and other standing rules for the convention were posted on the diocesan website and proposed their adoption without reading. A motion to adopt, made and seconded from the floor, carried unanimously.

As its chair, Fr. Moore gave the Credentials Committee's first report. Of twenty-three (23) diocesan clergy qualified to vote, nineteen (19) were present. Of the fifty-five (55) congregations in the diocese, thirty-one (31) had either a delegation or a delegate present with a total of sixty-two (62) voting delegates on the floor. Therefore a quorum was present.

Order	Possible	Present	Result
Lay	55 congregations	31 with 62 delegates	QUORUM
Clerical	23 diocesan clergy with vote	19	QUORUM

The Presiding Bishop invited a motion to give voice but not vote to the Rev. John Keene, the Rev. James Horton, and the Rev. Maureen Lewis. The motion made and seconded from the floor carried unanimously.

The chair recognized Fr. Moore who nominated the Rt. Rev. Edwin Gulick, Bishop of Kentucky, to be Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of Fort Worth. Numerous seconds came from the floor. The Presiding Bishop asked for further nominations but hearing none asked for a motion to close nominations. The motion made and seconded from the floor carried unanimously.

The Presiding Bishop spoke of her gratitude to Bishop Gulick and the Diocese of Kentucky for acceding to her request for assistance.

Fr. Taylor explained that the vote on the nomination of Bishop Gulick would be a voice vote by orders. He called for the clergy vote, which was unanimously in favor. He called for the lay vote which was unanimously in favor except for one abstention. The Presiding Bishop noted that the "all but universal consent" by voice vote far exceeded the canonical requirement of two-thirds consent in both orders and declared the election done and Bishop Gulick elected.

The convention's work then stopped momentarily while the Presiding Bishop installed Bishop Gulick as Provisional Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth.

Bishop Gulick spoke of his gratitude to Bishop Katharine and to the convention and standing committee of the Diocese of Kentucky. He thanked especially Mrs. Gulick for her patience and commitment to this enterprise.

Bishop Gulick assumed the chair of the convention and made the following appointments.

After Fr. McClain addressed the convention, the motion carried unanimously.

Walt Cabe, St. Alban's, Arlington, asked Diane Snow, St. Stephen's, Hurst, to make a special presentation. She in turn presented to the Presiding Bishop a card with "a representative sampling" of signatures and expressions of gratitude, original works of art by Fort Worth artist Shawn Reese, and a poem by Deborah Hudson, who read the work.

Fr. Taylor presented the first report of the election committee. For Trustees of the Corporation of the Diocese, the following were elected and immediately appointed by Bishop Gulick:

- Robert M. Bass
- The Rev. James Hazel
- Cherie Shipp
- The Rev. John Stanley
- Trace Worrell

The following persons were also elected to the offices indicated:

- Standing Committee, lay order
 - Anne T. Bass
 - Walt Cabe
- Standing Committee, clerical order
 - The Rev. Fred Barber
 - The Rev. Chris Jambor
 - The Rev. David Madison
- Deputies to General Convention 2009, lay order
 - Margaret Mieuli
 - Katie Sherrod
- Deputies to General Convention 2009, clerical order
 - The Rev. Fred Barber
 - The Rev. Chris Jambor
 - The Rev. Courtland Moore

In the election for standing committee, lay order, George Komechak withdrew. In the election for Deputy to General Convention 2009, the Rev. Sharla Marks withdrew.

After delegates marked ballots, Bishop Gulick called for courtesy resolutions.

Fr. Taylor presented and moved the adoption of a number of courtesy resolutions addressed to:

- · Fr. Moore
- Walt Cabe
- Bishop Hulsey
- The Presiding Bishop
- Bishop Gulick and the Diocese of Kentucky
- Episcopalians across the church who have prayed for our diocese
- Trinity Church, FW

- All Saints Church, FW
- St. Christopher Church, FW
- Various diocesan groups that supported the effort to reorganize
- The convention planning committee

All courtesy resolutions were moved by Fr. Taylor, seconded from the floor, and passed unanimously.

(The text of all courtesy resolutions is in the Appendix.)

Fr. Stanford rose to thank Mrs. Gulick for "lending" her husband to the Diocese of Fort Worth. The bishop asked his wife to stand in response to enthusiastic applause.

Fr. Pool suggested sending greetings in writing to the former bishops of the diocese, which action Bishop Gulick assured would be undertaken.

Fr. Taylor presented the second report of the elections committee. The following persons were elected to the office indicated.

- Deputy to General Convention, lay order: Kathleen Wells
- Trustee of the University of the South, lay order: Sherri Glaser

In the election for Standing Committee, lay order, Prescott and Sherrod withdrew. In the election for Deputy to General Convention 2009, lay order, Fagley, Guinn, and Walker withdrew. In the election for Deputy to General Convention 2009, Coggin, Reeves, Reynolds, and Slaughter withdrew.

There being only a single candidate left for Standing Committee, lay order, Fr. Barber moved the election of Margaret Mieuli by acclamation. After second from the floor and clarification by the chancellor and parliamentarian, Bishop Gulick asked for the vote. Margaret Mieuli was elected unanimously.

After delegates marked ballots, Fr. Moore read a letter to the convention from Bonnie Anderson, President of the House of Deputies of the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, in which she assured the diocese of her prayers and support and welcomed the diocesan deputation to General Convention 2009.

After consultation with the chancellor and others, Bishop Gulick directed the elections committee to study the voting history in the elections for both lay and clerical deputies to General Convention 2009 and nominate an alternate or alternates in both orders, after which he would ask for a voice vote by orders to approve those nominations. To this direction the convention acceded.

Bishop Gulick announced that the annual diocesan convention will meet November 13 and 14, the location not yet settled.

Bishop Gulick recessed the convention for five minutes.

Upon resumption of business, Fr. Taylor presented the third report of the elections committee. The following person was elected to the office indicated.

• Deputy to General Convention 2009, clerical order: The Rev. David Madison

In the election for Deputy to General Convention 2009, lay order, Killingsworth, Minor, and Prescott withdrew.

Fr. Moore pointed out that since only fifty-two (52) lay ballots were cast, Susan Reeves was in fact **elected**, thus completing the election of lay deputies to General Convention 2009. Therefore:

Deputy to General Convention 2009, lay order: Susan Reeves

Fr. Madison moved that Victoria Prescott be elected alternate lay deputy to General Convention 2009. Upon second from the floor, Bishop Gulick called for a voice vote by orders, both of which approved unanimously. Therefore:

• Alternate Deputy to General Convention 2009, lay order: Victoria Prescott

Fr. Madison moved that Fr. Coggin and Deacon Nocher be elected alternate clerical deputy to General Convention 2009. Upon second from the floor, Bishop Gulick called for a voice vote by orders, both of which approved unanimously. Therefore:

• Alternate Deputy to General Convention 2009, clerical order: The Rev. Bruce W. Coggin, The Rev. Janet Nocher

All elections completed, Bishop Gulick adjourned the convention sine die at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, The Rev. Bruce W. Coggin, Secretary Convention of the Diocese of Fort Worth

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UTO	Suzanne Russell, All Saints, Wichita Falls
Episcopal Church Women	Betty Jo Everett, St. Alban, Arlington Marti Fagley, Parker County Sherry Hunt, Trinity, FW Meredith Killingsworth, St. Alban, Arlington

Elections

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Election Tallies: Boldface indicates election.

Trustee, Corporation of the Diocese

Ballot		1		2		3
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Voting	18	62	18	62	18	52
Needed to elect	10	32	10	32	10	27
R. Bass	17	58				
J. Hazel	17	48				
R. Hicks	03	14				
P Jefferson	06	25				
D. Kent	04	16				
J. Nanna	06	13				
C. Shipp	10	43				
J. Stanley	12	39				
K. Wells	01	00				
T.Worrell	10	37				

The chair recognized Deacon Sharla Marks to speak for the community of deacons within the diocese. She noted that two deacons—the Rev. Susan Slaughter and the Rev. ClayOla Gitane would soon be priested, leaving four deacons working in the diocese.

- The Rev. Janet Nocher
- The Rev. Sharla Marks
- · The Rev. Linda Sutherland
- The Rev. Dana Wilson

Deacon Marks asked the Convention to follow the deacons' lead in 2010 by connecting with schools public and private whose students come from low income families and offered assistance in contacting and dealing with school structures and setting up working relationships.

The chair recognized Jane McClain (St. Luke, Stephenville) who spoke of the Finance Committee's plans to offer leadership training tools for treasurers and other parish leaders, especially those without previous experience.

- A checklist for treasurers to assure compliance with both civil and ecclesiastical bookkeeping and reporting requirements
- A leadership training workshop scheduled for February 20, 2010, at All Saints Church, Fort Worth, led by Mr. Bob Schorr of the Diocese of Texas who regularly trains lay leadership in that diocese
- A nuts-and-bolts training session for treasurers in the late Spring, 2010

The chair recognized Fr. Barber to read a letter from the Presiding Bishop (see Appendix). Fr. Barber then **moved** "that this Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth accede to your wishes and the resolution of the Standing Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Kentucky to release you from the obligations you assumed on our behalf when you were elected provisional bishop at the special convention on February 7, 2009." Upon **second** from the floor and the vote, the motion **carried unanimously**.

On behalf the Standing Committee, Fr. Barber then **nominated** the Rt. Rev. C. Wallis Ohl, retired Bishop of the Diocese of Northwest Texas, as the next provisional bishop of the Diocese of Fort Worth, to be effective upon his installation at the end of the Convention today. **Seconds** came from the floor. Bishop Gulick called for further nominations, and hearing none declared nominations closed.

Fr. Barber reported that the Standing Committee, in consultation with the Presiding Bishop as required by Episcopal Church Canon III.13.1, recommends the election of Bishop Ohl as our next provisional bishop.

After commenting on Bishop Ohl's fitness for the office, Bishop Gulick called for the vote by orders, and Bishop Ohl was elected unanimously. Immediately upon the election, the Convention paused while Bishop Gulick led the liturgy to install Bishop Ohl as Provisional Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth.

You are all awesome icons of an awesome God "whose power working in us can do infinitely more than we can either ask or imagine. Glory to Him from generation to generation in the church and in Christ Jesus. Amen.

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Summary of Actions

Bishop's Nominations, Table 1

Office	Elected
Trustee, Corporation of the Diocese	Robert Bass, term ends 2013
, 1	The Rev. James Hazel, term ends 2012
	Cherie Shipp, term ends 2011
	The Rev. John Stanley, term ends 2010
	Trace Worrell, term ends 2014
Secretary of Convention	The Rev. Bruce W. Coggin
Treasurer	Platt Allen, Trinity, FW
Chancellor	Kathleen Wells, Trinity, FX
Registrar	Linda Johnson, St. Anne, FW
Historiographer	David Leedy, All Saints', FW
Ecumenical Officer	The Rev. J. Frederick Barber
Trustees, Fund for the Endowment of the	Anne Bass, Trinity, FW
Episcopate	Tad Bird, ASES
	The Rev. James Hazel
	Robert Hicks, St. Christopher, FW
	Floyd McKneely, St. Stephen, Hurst
	Shannon Shipp, Trinity, FW David Skelton, St. Mary, Hillsboro
	Whit Smith, All Saints, FW
Commission on Episcopal Schools	Lynne Allen, Trinity, FW
Commission on Episcopai Schools	Tad Bird, ASES
	The Rev. Mel Bridge, ASES
	The Rev. David Madison, ASES
·	Jeanie Pitre, ASES
	Karen Shepherd, Trinity, FW
	The Rev. Bill Stanford, St. Christopher
	FW
	Catherine Stehlik, St. Martin, Keller
	Trace Worrell, All Saints, FW
	Lee Ann Wyss, St.
Ecclesiastical Trial Court	The Rev. Frank Reeves,
	Janice Schattman, CTK, FW
Commission on Ministry	The Rev. Melanie Barbarito, All Saints, FW
	Victoria Prescott, ECPC
	Joel Walker, St. Martin, Keller
·	The Rev. Dana Wilson

	Fr. Bill Stanford, St. Christopher, FW
	Fr. John Stanley, ret'd.
	Fr. Bill Taylor, Trinity, FW
	Ann Tucker, St. Martin, Keller
	Kathleen Wells, Trinity, FW
Resolutions Committee	Fr. David Madison, All Saints School, Chair
100014410112	Laura Adcock, All Saints, FW
	Joe Christopher, St. Luke, Stephenville
	Sandra Liser, Trinity, FW
	Jane McClain, St. Luke, Stephenville
	Fr. Bill Taylor, Trinity, FW
Episcopal Relief and Development	Dcn. Janet Nocher, Trinity, FW
Representative to Province VII	Lynne Minor, All Saints, FW
Daughters of the King	Donna Clopton, Christ the King, FW
	Marti Fagley, Parker County
	Dorothy Hood, St. Stephen, Hurst
	Betty Torrence, St. Stephen, Hurst
Women's Cabinet	Frances, Cox, Trinity, FW
	Lynne Stanley, Trinity, FW
	Jean Wilson, Trinity, FW
Diocesan Altar Guild	Dolly Bush, Trinity, FW
	Marian Cole, St. Luke, Stephenville
	Laurie Cruse, All Saints, Wichita Falls
	Marti Fagley, Parker County
	Diane Jackson
	Carla Kerr, Parker County
	Susan Lowder, St. Stephen, Hurst
	Marion McAlister, Trinity, FW
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	Meredith Killingsworth, St. Alban, Arlington

Elections		
Office	Elected	
Provisional Bishop of Fort Worth	The Rt. Rev. C. Wallis Ohl	
Standing Committee, lay member	Margaret Mieuli, St. Christopher, FW	
Standing Committee, clergy member	The Rev. David Madison, ASES	
Ecclesiastical Court, lay member	Janice Schattmann, CTK, FW	
Ecclesiastical Court, clergy	The Rev. Frank Reeves	
Trustee, University of the South	Sherry Glaser, St. Luke, FW	

Bishop Ohl was elected unanimously on a vote by orders. Since other candidates were unopposed, the elections of clerical member, Standing Committee; lay member, Ecclesiastical Court; clergy member; and Trustee, University of the South were all by acclamation.

Boldface indicates election.

In the election of lay member, Standing Committee Ballot 1

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	Clergy	Lay
Voting	22	50
Needed to elect	12	26
M. Mieuli	12	35
J. L. Nanna	10	15

Motions Made, Seconded, and Carried

No.	Mover	Second	Purpose		
1	Smith	Gotcher	Refer bishop's letter to Standing Committee		
2	Stanford	Weidler	Suspend rule		
3	Floor	Floor	Give licensed clergy seat and vote		
4	Cabe	Floor	Adopt agenda		
5	Madison	Floor	Adopt rules of procedure		
6	Madison	Floor	Waive reading of rules		
7	Barber	Pool	Give Bp Ohl seat and voice		
8	Floor	Floor	Give youth representatives seat and voice		
9	Moore	Pool	Seat any delegation despite certain anomalies		
10	Reynolds	Floor	Confirm bishop's nominees		
11	Taylor	Floor	Elect unopposed candidates by acclamation		
12	Madison	Pool	Ratify Feb '09 Resolutioin 1		
13	Madison	Crews	Ratify certain actions of Feb '09		
14	Madison	Cox	Anent church property		
15	Gotcher	McKneely	Amend Resolution 4		
16	Pool	Meeks	Amend Resolution 4		
17	Madison	Floor	Provide for provisional bishop		
18	Madison	Kelly	Promote transparent decision making		
19	Madison	Lefler	Create diocesan structure commission		
20	Madison	Pool	Coordinate key ministries		
21	Barber	Floor	Certain parishes changed to missions		
22	McKneely	Floor	Adopt temporary budget		
23	McClain	Pool	Give full asking to church-wide budget		
24	Madison	Bass	Adopt constitutional changes		
25	Madison	Smith	Adopt canonical changes		
26	Barber	Floor	Release Bp. Gulick		
27	Barber	Floor	Nominate Bp. Ohl		
28	Taylor	Floor	Courtesy resolution: Owanah Anderson		
29	Taylor	Floor	Courtesy resolution: Bp. Gulick		
30	Taylor	Floor	Courtesy resolution: Mrs. Gulick		
31	Taylor	Floor	Courtesy resolution: Diocese of Kentucky		

Standing Committee

Officers elected:

- President: The Rev. Fred Barber
- Secretary: Margaret Mieuli

Bishop's appointments confirmed:

- Chancellor: Kathleen Wells
- Treasurer: Platt Allen
- Secretary: The Rev. Bruce Coggin
- Registrar: Linda Johnson

Requests for consent:

- Consent granted for election of Scott Mayer as Bishop of Northwest Texas
- Consent withheld for election of Kevin Thew Forrester as Bishop of Northern Michigan
- Consent given for request of Diocese of Springfield to elect a coadjutor bishop

Other actions:

- Sent letter to former Bishop Iker, through his attorney, requesting an orderly transition of records and properties.
- Heard report on communication strategy.
- Approved Standing Committee retreat.
- Approved actions taken by Bishop Gulick to protect legal interests and uphold the Constitution and Canons of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth.
- Requested Standing Committee of Diocese of Kentucky to agree to extend Bishop Gulick's time as provisional bishop of Fort Worth.
- Concurred with disciplinary notices to all former diocesan clergy.
- Deputized The Rev. David Madison to recruit a committee to implement Resolution 4 from February 7, 2009 special convention.
- Named Resolution 4 Committee: Chair Jerry Nanna, The Rev. Bruce Coggin, Susan Hekman, Marti Fagley, Leslie Guinn, Whit Smith; liaison, The Rev. David Madison.
- Concurred with bishop's letters of inhibition to all diocesan clergy who abandoned the Episcopal Church
- Determined election process for filling vacancies on the Standing Committee.
- Approved ordination of Deacon Susan Slaughter to the priesthood.
- Approved nomination of Bishop Wallis Ohl as next provisional bishop.

Loan considered:

 St. Christopher's, Fort Worth: \$200,000 mortgage with 15 year maturity: approved

Disciplinary actions: See Bishop Gulick's Official Acts for details.

EXHIBIT G

CAUSE NO. 141-237105-09

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH, THE RT. REV. C. WALLIS OHL, ROBERT HICKS FLOYD MCKNEELY, SHANNON SHIPP, DAVID SKELTON, and WHIT SMITH

Plaintiffs

VS.

FRANKLIN SALAZAR, JO ANN PATTON, WALTER VIRDEN, III, ROD BARBER, CHAD BATES, THE RT. REV. JACK LEO IKER, JUDY MAYO, JULIA SMEAD, THE REV. CHRISTOPHER CANTRELL, THE REV. TIMOTHY PERKINS, and THE REV. RYAN REED

Defendants/Counter-Defendants

THE ANGLICAN PROVINCE OF THE SOUTHERN CONE'S "DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH"

Defendant/Third-Party Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant

THE ANGLICAN PROVINCE OF THE SOUTHERN CONE'S "CORPORATION OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH"

Intervenor/Third-Party Plaintiff/ Defendant/Counter-Defendant

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OF CYRENE (Fort Worth), ST. TIMOTHY'S)					
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(Gainesville), GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH						
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AFFIDAVIT OF JONATHAN NELSON IN SUPPORT OF EPISCOPAL PARTIES' MOTIONS FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF TARRANT

BEFORE ME THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, on this day personally appeared

JONATHAN NELSON, who, being by me personally sworn, upon his oath stated:

1. My name is Jonathan Nelson. I am over eighteen years of age, of sound mind, and

fully capable and competent to make this Affidavit. I have personal knowledge of the facts

stated herein, and all facts stated herein are true and correct.

2. I was counsel of record for the Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort.

Worth (the "Corporation") in its 1994 lawsuit styled Corp. of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort

Worth v. McCauley, Cause No. 153-144833-92 in the 153rd Judicial District Court of Tarrant

County, Texas. As a result of my role as counsel in the case, I have personal knowledge of the

proceedings and outcome of the case.

3. The 1994 lawsuit resulted in a settlement by which the Corporation recovered the

real and personal property of the Church of the Holy Apostles for that parish, the Corporation,

and the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth.

4. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a true and correct certified copy of Plaintiffs'

Second Amended Original Petition and Application for Temporary Injunction and Permanent

Injunction, filed in Corp. of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth v. McCauley, as certified by the

District Clerk of Tarrant County, Texas.

5. Attached hereto as Exhibit 2 is a true and correct certified copy of Plaintiffs'

Motion for Summary Judgment, filed in Corp. of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth v.

McCauley, including the Affidavit of Bishop Jack Iker and the Affidavit of Reverend Canon

Billie Boyd (dated November 19, 1993), as certified by the District Clerk of Tarrant County, Texas.

- 6. Attached hereto as Exhibit 3 is a true and correct certified copy of Plaintiffs' Second Supplemental Evidence in Support of Their Motion for Summary Judgment, including the Affidavit of Reverend Canon Billie Boyd (dated February 11, 1994) and the Affidavit of The Reverend Canon Charles A. Hough, III, filed in *Corp. of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth v. McCauley*, as certified by the District Clerk of Tarrant County, Texas.
- 7. Attached hereto as Exhibit 4 is a true and correct certified copy of the Affidavit of The Rt. Rev. William C. Wantland, filed in Corp. of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth v. McCauley, as certified by the District Clerk of Tarrant County, Texas.
- 8. Attached hereto as Exhibit 5 is a true and correct copy of the certified copy of the Brief of Amici Curiae Rt. Rev. Jack Leo Iker, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, and Rt. Rev. Robert Duncan, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh in Support of Samuel L. Edwards and the Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church, St. John's Parish, Accokeek, Maryland Supporting a Reversal of the Court's Judgment, filed in Dixon v. Edwards, No. 01-2337 in the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, that was certified by the Clerk of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and was previously filed in this case on September 3, 2009.
- 9. Attached hereto as Exhibit 6 is a true and correct copy of the certified copy of Plaintiffs' Original Petition, filed in *The Episcopal Diocese of Dallas v. Mattox*, No. 84-8573 in the 95th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas, that was certified by the District Clerk of Dallas County, Texas and was previously filed in this case on September 3, 2009.

- 10. Attached hereto as Exhibit 7 is a true and correct copy of the certified copy of the Judgment in *The Episcopal Diocese of Dallas v. Mattox*, No. 84-8573 in the 95th Judicial District Court of Dallas County, Texas, that was certified by the District Clerk of Dallas County, Texas and was previously filed in this case on September 3, 2009.
- 11. Attached hereto as Exhibit 8 is a true and correct copy of the certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation of Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, as filed with the Texas Secretary of State on February 28, 1983, that was certified by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas and was previously filed in this case on September 3, 2009.
- 12. Attached hereto as Exhibit 9 is a true and correct copy of the certified copy of the Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, as filed with the Texas Secretary of State on November 4, 1987, that was certified by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas and was previously filed in this case on September 3, 2009.
- 13. Attached hereto as Exhibit 10 is a true and correct copy of the certified copy of the Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, as filed with the Texas Secretary of State on November 27, 1991, that was certified by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas and was previously filed in this case on September 3, 2009.
- 14. Attached hereto as Exhibit 11 is a true and correct copy of the certified copy of the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, as filed with the Texas Secretary of State on September 5, 2006, that was certified by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas and was previously filed in this case on September 3, 2009.

- 15. Attached hereto as Exhibit 12 is a true and correct copy of the certified copy of the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, as filed with the Texas Secretary of State on April 14, 2009, that was certified by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas and was previously filed in this case on September 3, 2009.
- 16. Attached hereto as Exhibit 13 is a true and correct copy of the certified copy of the Certificate of Correction, as filed with the Texas Secretary of State on April 21, 2009, that was certified by the Office of the Secretary of State of Texas and was previously filed in this case on September 3, 2009.

Jonathan Nelson

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO BEFORE ME this 14 day of October, 2010.

Notary Public, State of Texas

My commission expires:

KAREN A. FTAK
Notary Public
STATE OF TEXAS
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TAB 1

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CORPORATION OF THE EPISCOPAL	§	IN THE DISTRICT COURT
DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH,	§	,
CHURCH OF THE HOLY APOSTLES	§	
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VS.	§	TARRANT COUNTY, TEXAS
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THE REVEREND M.L. MCCAULEY,	§	
SOMETIME RECTOR AND CHAIRMAN	§	
OF THE VESTRY OF CHURCH OF	§	
THE HOLY APOSTLES; ALBON	§	
HEAD, SOMETIME SENIOR WARDEN	§	
AND STEVE BLACKMAN, SOMETIME	§	
JUNIOR WARDEN OF CHURCH OF	§	
THE HOLY APOSTLES; HORACE	§	
BOOTH, HOMER COX, BECKY	§	,
HEAD, ROBERT MILLER, ROBERT	§	
PALMER, JEAN RICHARDSON,	§	
DON SHIPE, PAUL SNELL,	§	
AND JAMES CHARBONNET, SOMETIME	§	
MEMBER OF THE VESTRY OF CHURCH	§	
OF THE HOLY APOSTLES; AND THE	§	
SCHISMATIC AND PURPORTED CHURCH	§	•
OF THE HOLY APOSTLES	§	153RD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

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TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

NOW COMES the CORPORATION OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FORT WORTH and CHURCH OF THE HOLY APOSTLES, Plaintiffs, complaining of The Reverend M. L. McCauley, Sometime Rector and Chairman of the Vestry of Church of the Holy Apostles; Albon Head, Sometime Senior Warden and Steve Blackman, Sometime Junior Warden of Church of the Holy Apostles; Horace Booth, Homer Cox, Becky Head, Robert Miller, Robert Palmer, Jean Richardson, Don Shipe, Paul Snell, and James Charbonnet, Sometime Members of the Vestry of Church of the Holy Apostles; and the Schismatic and Purported Church of the Holy Apostles, Defendants, and as grounds therefore would show the Court

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the following:

- 1. Plaintiff Corporation of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth ("the Diocesan Corporation") is a not-for-profit corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the State of Texas with its principal office and place of business in Tarrant County, Texas. It holds legal title to properties used for religious purposes by parishes, missions and ecclesiastical institutions of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth ("Diocese"). In particular, it holds legal title to certain real property used for religious purposes and beneficially owned by Church of the Holy Apostles lying and situated in Tarrant County, Texas, further described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and hereby incorporated by reference for all purposes ("the Real Property").
- 2. Plaintiff Church of the Holy Apostles ("Holy Apostles") is an unincorporated association organized for religious purposes as a parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth ("the Diocese"), with its principal office and place of business in Tarrant County, Texas. Holy Apostles acts through its Rector, Wardens and Vestry.
- 3. Defendant The Reverend M. L. McCauley, a resident of Tarrant County, Texas, was Rector and Chairman of the Vestry of Holy Apostles at all times relevant hereto until his inhibition on October 5, 1992, as described hereinbelow. He may be served at Holy Apostles, 3900 Longvue Avenue, Fort Worth, Tarrant County, Texas. The Vestry of Holy Apostles have the authority and responsibility for certain day-to-day conduct of the parish's

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business which are granted to them by canon law.

- 4. Defendant Albon Head, a resident of Tarrant County, Texas, was Senior Warden and a member of the Vestry of Holy Apostles at all times relevant hereto until on or about October 4, 1992, as described hereinbelow. He may be served at 13,751 Old Weatherford Road, Aledo, Parker County, Texas.
- 5. Defendant Steve Blackman, a resident of Tarrant County, Texas, was Junior Warden and a member of the Vestry of Holy Apostles at all times relevant hereto until on or about October 4, 1992, as described hereinbelow. He may be served at 2012 Adams Lane South, Azle, Tarrant County, Texas.
- 6. The Vestry of Holy Apostles consisted of those named above and an additional ten members at all times relevant hereto, until on or about October 4, 1992, as described hereinbelow. Nine of said Vestry members, Defendants herein, are those now listed, who reside and may be served at the address in Tarrant County (unless otherwise stated) shown opposite each name:
 - 1. Horace Booth, 106 Circle Dr., Weatherford, Parker County,
 TX 76087
 - 2. Homer Cox, 464 Meadowhill Dr., Benbrook, TX 76126
 - 3. Becky Head, 12 Bounty Rd. W., Fort Worth, TX 76132
 - 4. Robert Miller, 2313 Harvest Glen Ct., Ft. Worth, TX 76108
 - 5. Robert Palmer, 7 Frank Lane, Granbury, Hood County, TX 76049
 - 6. Jean Richardson, 728 Winters, Fort Worth, TX 76114

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- 7. Don Shipe, 3 Lombardy Terrace, Fort Worth, TX 76132
- 8. Paul Snell, 2229 Huntington, Fort Worth, TX 76110
- 9. James Charbonnet, 8034 Meadowbrook Dr., Fort Worth, TX 76120
- 7. The Schismatic and Purported Church of the Holy Apostles is an unincorporated association or not-for-profit corporation organized for religious purposes as a member of the Antiochean Orthodox Church. It is composed in part of some persons who have heretofore been parishioners of Episcopal Church of the Holy Apostles but have become members in the Antiochean Orthodox Church in accordance with action of the Sometime Vestry on or about October 4, 1992, as described hereinbelow, and subsequent acts described hereinbelow.
- 8. The Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth is situated in all or parts of twenty-four counties in North Central Texas, including all of Tarrant County, Texas. It is a diocese of The Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America ("The Episcopal Church"), which is a confederation of dioceses situated primarily in the United States, but also in Latin America and Europe. The Bishops of The Episcopal Church are members of the Anglican Communion, which is composed of Bishops of the Church of England and numerous other Anglican churches world-wide. The Anglican Communion is itself in communion, reciprocally acknowledging validity of each others Orders and Sacraments, with certain other Anglican churches around the world. The Anglican Communion, the

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Episcopal Church and the Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth are not in communion with the various Orthodox Churches, including the Antiochean Orthodox Church. Consequently, no member of the Antiochean Orthodox Church is in communion with the Episcopal Bishop of Fort Worth.

The Episcopal Church, originating in the North American colonies as a part of the Church of England, is an historic Reformation church. It separated from the Roman Catholic Church in the sixteenth century but preserved catholic faith and order, including the Apostolic succession of its Bishops and the threefold Orders of Bishops, Priests and Deacons. The Diocese is an hierarchial church, meaning: 1) each parish consists of members of The Episcopal Church confirmed in or transferred to that parish, who are in communion with the Bishop and the parish being in union with the diocesan convention; 2) each parish exists by virtue of its creation by the Bishop and the diocesan convention; 3) each parish is subject to the jurisdiction of the Bishop and the constitution of the diocese; 4) the government of the parish is subject to review and control of the Bishop and diocesan institutions in various important particulars, including the use of real property used for religious purposes, including those pursuant to Canon 30; 5) legal title to such real property is reposed in the Diocesan Corporation rather than in the parish; and 6) priests and deacons serving in the parish either are ordained pursuant to approval of diocesan bodies and the Bishop or, having been ordained

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in another diocese of The Episcopal Church or other church with which the Diocese is in communion, may become canonically resident and serve in the Diocese as a priest or deacon only with the consent of the Bishop. Under the Constitution of the Diocese and under Canon law, no person may be a member of a parish who is not a member of The Episcopal Church, and no person may serve on the vestry of a parish who is not a member, canonically resident, in that parish. Further, no parish which is affiliated with the Antiochean Orthodox Church can be in union with the Convention of the Diocese.

10. Holy Apostles was initially organized as a non-self-supporting mission of the Diocese on June 12, 1964. Both the Diocese and All Saints' Church, a parish of the Diocese for many years, gave Holy Apostles financial assistance both for its operating budget and for the acquisition of real property on which to build a church. Such real property was sold on March 15, 1986 and the sale proceeds were used in acquisition of the Real Property described on Exhibit "A" on which the parish's improvement are presently located. The funds provided by the Diocese and by All saints' Church were gifts to Holy Apostles, rather than loans, and were never repaid. Holy Apostles has also received financial assistance in the form of a loan from the Crump Fund for construction of improvements on the Real Property, said loan being made at a below-market interest rate of 2% per annum. The Crump Fund by its trust indenture may lend only to Episcopal parishes,

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and such below-market loan conveyed a substantial benefit for which Holy Apostles would not qualify otherwise and used Crump moneys which would have otherwise been available to some other Episcopal parish. Holy Apostles was admitted to the diocesan convention as a parish on October 6, 1979.

Defendant McCauley shared with many other Episcopalians a deep dissatisfaction with the policies of The Episcopal Church but, unlike the leadership of the Diocese, he determined to leave The Episcopal Church rather than to work for its reform. gradually acquired a Vestry uncanonically and unlawfully elected by plurality rather than majority vote, which assisted his enterprise. In early 1992, Defendant McCauley began a public campaign to lead parishioners of Holy Apostles into the Antiochean Orthodox Church. Efforts by the Bishop and by other members of the Diocese to dissuade Defendant McCauley and the unlawfully constituted Vestry, were unsuccessful. At the conclusion of two services on Sunday, October 4, 1992, the Senior Warden announced to the parishioners that at 7:00 that morning, the Vestry had unanimously voted to leave The Episcopal Church and to petition to affiliate with the Antiochean Orthodox Church. At one service on October 4, 1992, Defendant McCauley made such announcement. Defendants McCauley and eleven of the twelve members of the Vestry thereby abandoned the communion of The Episcopal Church and ceased to be qualified to serve as a priest or as a member of the Vestry under the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese and of The Episcopal Church

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and canon law. Defendant McCauley has subsequently, on November 29, 1992, been reordained as a deacon, and the eleven vestry members and the members of the parish were chrismated as members of the Antiochean Orthodox Church on December 13, 1992.

- On October 5, 1992, pursuant to canon law, the Bishop 12. reported these events to the Standing Committee of the Diocese. The Standing Committee, having ascertained and considered the facts, determined by a vote of at least three-fourths of its members that Defendant McCauley had abandoned the communion of The Episcopal Church and of this Diocese. A copy of such determination by the Standing Committee is attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and is The Bishop thereupon affirmed hereby incorporated by reference. such determination by the Standing Committee and inhibited Defendant McCauley from officiating in the Diocese. A copy of such inhibition is attached hereto as Exhibit "C" and is hereby incorporated by reference. Upon such inhibition the office of the Rector of Holy Apostles became vacant, and the Bishop became Rector ex officio.
- Vestry of Holy Apostles had abandoned communion with The Episcopal Church, on October 5, 1992, the Bishop sorrowfully accepted and acquiesced in their abandonment of communion with him and thereupon pronounced each lay member of the Vestry excommunicate. The Bishop thereupon further pronounced that all vestry offices of Holy Apostles are vacant, since all members of the Vestry had abandoned

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their qualification to hold such office under canon law. Subsequently it was learned that one member of the Vestry, Robert Rigdon had not participated in such actions, and the pronouncement of excommunication was ineffective as to him. Canonical procedure commenced to accept Defendant McCauley's abandonment of communion and to depose him as priest. Pending such proceeding, Defendant McCauley resigned his ministry as priest on November 26, 1992, which resignation was accepted on December 7, 1992.

On October 5, 1992, the Bishop called a special meeting 14. of the parishioners of Holy Apostles for Sunday, October 11, 1992, to fill the vacancies on the Vestry and to call an interim Rector. At such election, Robert Rigdon, Ann Heinz, Helen Magnusson, Dave Huebner, Ivan Shadwick, and Charra Wright were elected to the Vestry and continue to serve as such. The Senior Warden is Robert Rigdon and the Junior Warden is George Komechek. Subsequently, at their yearly meeting on January 10, 1993, George Komechek, Ted Roe and Doris Boyd were also elected to the Vestry. The Rev. Canon James P. DeWolfe, Jr. has accepted a call as Interim Rector. Unless the Court grants injunctive relief, it will be necessary for the parishioners of Holy Apostles to meet at another location, which condition will continue for so long as they are deprived of the possession of the Real Property and the improvements, furnishings and fixtures thereto. It is commonly and normally the case that, where a local church are uprooted from their accustomed place of meeting, such disruption causes a loss of membership which

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may never be fully repaired. Consequently, the denial to the loyal parishioners of Holy Apostles of the use of their real and personal property, will cause damages to Holy Apostles for which there is no adequate remedy at law, so that a temporary injunction should issue preventing interference by Defendants with the loyal parishioners' possession of the Real and other Property.

- 15. On October 5, 1992, demand was made on Defendants for uncontested possession of the Real Property and improvements of Holy Apostles. Such demand was refused.
- 16. Many of the loyal parishioners of Holy Apostles have pointed out their financial contributions and in addition the special, unique furnishings and fixtures given by them as memorials to Holy Apostles and have noted that it was never their intent that such gifts and memorials be converted to the use of the Antiochean Orthodox Church.
- 17. Those persons acting in concord with the Defendants have constituted themselves as the Schismatic and Purported Church of the Holy Apostles. Such persons are not members of the true Church of the Holy Apostles because they have joined the Antiochean Orthodox Church and thereby have abandoned communion with The Episcopal Church, and such Schismatic and Purported Holy Apostles is not in union with the Diocese, all as required by canon law. The Schismatic and Purported Church of the Holy Apostles is a new creation, having no relation to Holy Apostles and no right to its property.

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