

**COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY PARTICIPANTS AT THE CAPA WOMEN'S
CONSULTATION MEETING HELD IN NAIROBI KENYA FROM 22nd –26th June
2014**

At the invitation of the Council of Anglican provinces of Africa (CAPA), we, women delegates from 10 Anglican provinces, i.e. Burundi, Central Africa, Congo, Kenya, Indian Ocean, Rwanda, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda and West Africa, have met for a Consultative meeting at Rosa Mystica Spiritual Center in Nairobi, Kenya from the 22nd to the 26th June 2014.

During the 4 days, we shared our experiences about the women ministry in our provinces and strategized on the way forward.

By coming together, we

- Thank God for granting us the blessing to serve in our respective provinces and the opportunity to share our experiences
- Celebrated our unity and fellowship as mothers from Africa, and are grateful to CAPA for having organised such a consultation meeting
- Appreciated the support given to women ministry by our provinces
- Realised that the coverage of the women ministry and the big numbers is a strength that can be used to mobilise the church and community for fellowship, advocacy, care for vulnerable and stable family life (mission)
- Acknowledged the good initiatives being undertaken to improve the status of women and the wellbeing of families within the church and the community
- Revisited and reflected biblically on the Millennium Development Goals to assess progress in order to consolidate the gains and strategize for the post 2015.
- Sadly recognised that Africa is still living in poverty despite the many resources that the continent is blessed with
- Recognised that Africa yearns for peace and security in many countries like Nigeria, DRC, South Sudan, Republic of Central Africa and Kenya. We condemn the conflicts, the abductions and all kind of abuse against humanity. We, therefore, call upon the leaders to engage in dialogue and ensure peaceful coexistence
- Plan a solidarity visit to the Province of South Sudan/Sudan as a sign of our commitment to peace building in our continent
- Took note of some negative aspects of culture like early marriage, female genital mutilation, domestic violence, rape, abduction, human trafficking, socio-economic injustice, etc. We are committed to working towards positive change and call upon other stakeholders to join hands with us in addressing the challenges
- Recognised CAPA's effort to support the ministry in the respective provinces and appeal to CAPA to strategically accompany us in our resource mobilisation journey

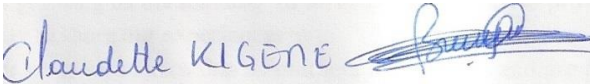
- Welcomed the resolutions and recommendations of the Primates' Wives gathering in Lagos Nigeria on 8th-13th February 2014 and made a commitment to implement them in our respective provinces.
- Support their recommendation to CAPA to create a women desk to facilitate and strengthen our networking, capacity building and advocacy at continental level

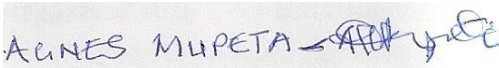
We pray for the continuity of the work that CAPA is doing and for a blessing to the secretariat staff and the whole African continent.

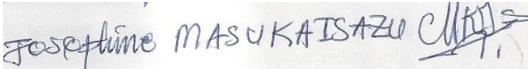
.....COME LET US BUILD 'AFRICA'..... (Nehemiah. 2:17)

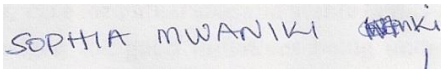
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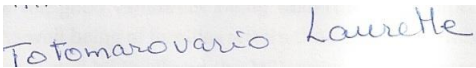
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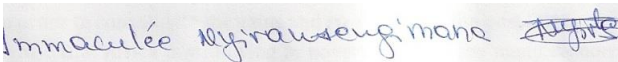
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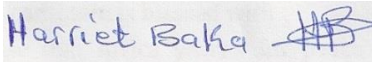
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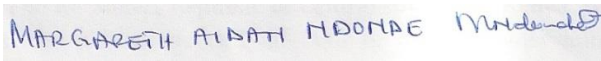
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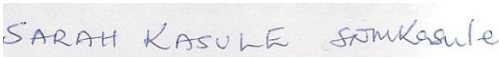
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