2018 Programme Report

Connecting and equipping the worldwide Anglican family to work for a world free of poverty and injustice and to safeguard creation.
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John 10:10

“One of the most exciting things about the Anglican Communion is this extraordinary network of local churches in every part of the world.

“When they come together as God’s people, somehow the Holy Spirit liberates ideas, initiatives, capacity that did not exist before.

“The Anglican Alliance is exciting because it turns those local experiences, developments of knowledge and expertise into skills that are shared and can be learned from across the whole Communion.”

Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby
What we’re about:

The Anglican Alliance connects and equips the worldwide family of Anglican churches and agencies in their relief, development and advocacy work. We pursue a Kingdom vision of a world free of poverty, inequality and injustice, with humanity at peace, living sustainably within environmental limits.

We believe in:

🌟 Transformation
Throughout the world Christians continue Jesus’ mission to bring good news to the poor, release to the oppressed and fullness of life for all. The Anglican Alliance supports and equips Anglicans as they work to bring transformational change to - and with - their communities. Whether through building sustainable livelihoods, ensuring food security, empowering women and youth, tackling human trafficking, advocating for the rights of refugees and migrants, or in myriad other ways, Anglicans are putting their faith into action in all parts of the Communion.

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🌟 Connection
The Anglican Alliance connects Anglicans across the world to share learning and skills, build capacity, promote partnerships and coordinate global advocacy initiatives. We also partner with external ecumenical organisations for greatest impact. At times of humanitarian crisis, we provide a convening platform for the local church to connect with agencies and others across the Communion for prayer and practical support.

*If one part of the body suffers, all parts suffer with it; if one part is honoured, all parts share a common joy.*
1 Corinthians 12:26

🌟 God-given gifts
In all our work we take an asset-based approach. This takes as its starting point the gifts God has given to churches and communities - their resources, skills and experience. This approach is empowering and sustainable; it unlocks local potential and reverses aid dependency.

“How many loaves do you have?” Jesus asked. “Go and see”. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. They all ate and were satisfied.
Mark 6:38-42

Sharing learning on asset-based Church and Community Transformation, Kenya
A message from the Chair
from the Most Revd. Albert Chama, Archbishop of the Church of the Province of Central Africa

I am delighted to see how in the past year the Anglican Alliance has engaged with Provinces and Dioceses all across the Anglican Communion.

The Anglican Alliance has brought the Communion together to share its resources and expertise, supporting the churches’ holistic mission in caring for the most vulnerable and in safeguarding creation.

In 2018 the Anglican Alliance has coordinated Communion-wide prayer and support to over ten humanitarian crises. It has played a key role in mobilising Provinces to tackle human trafficking, convening regional consultations in Africa and Asia. It has also worked with a global Anglican team to promote training in disaster resilience, strengthening communities.

These initiatives, and many more, are a vital and vibrant part of the shared life of the Anglican Communion. They bear witness to God’s ongoing mission in the world, inviting us all to share in promoting peace, compassion, justice and dignity.

I am grateful to all who participate in and support the Anglican Alliance in its mission.

May God bless you all.

A reflection on 2018
from the Revd. Rachel Carnegie, Executive Director

2018 has been an inspiring and exciting year.

It has been moving to see how Provinces, Dioceses and agencies around the Anglican Communion repeatedly gather in solidarity with those churches responding to humanitarian crises.

Yet it is also deeply troubling, as we recognise how climate-related disasters are increasing in number and frequency.

That is why we have been so encouraged by the growing initiatives across the Communion to promote climate justice and creation care.

At the same time we are heartened to be helping to connect and equip a Communion-wide movement, building community resilience through asset-based community transformation.

All this we see as reflections of God’s love for the world, humanity and all creation. Responding to that love is our journey of whole-life discipleship.

I am profoundly grateful to all of you who travel this journey with us – and most especially to the trustees, supporters, advisers, participants and staff of the Anglican Alliance who make this vision a reality.

“"A vital and vibrant part of the shared life of the Anglican Communion.""
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Bishop Bill Godfrey, Peru, at the 2008 Lambeth Conference, on feeling alone after a devastating earthquake.

The Anglican Alliance is an initiative of the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Anglican Communion.

At the 2008 Lambeth Conference, Bishops across the Communion recommended establishing a new mechanism for Anglicans to work together in a coordinated way for development, relief and advocacy.

OUR JOURNEY SO FAR

The Anglican Alliance was launched in early 2011.

Its Executive Director and small secretariat are based at the Anglican Communion Office in London, where they work closely with other departments at the Anglican Communion Office.
Thank you once again for your help in connecting our appeal with others around the Communion.

The Alliance has six Regional Facilitators based in East Asia, the Middle East, the Pacific, Latin America, the Caribbean, and in Africa at CAPA - the Council of African Provinces in Africa.

The London secretariat and the Regional Facilitators enable collaboration and learning within regions and between them.

The Anglican Alliance is now widely recognised as a platform for deepening and connecting the holistic mission of the churches across the Communion, sharing their models of whole-life discipleship.

Anglican Church of Peru

“The Communion helps the Church in Peru get children back to school after severe floods.”
PILLARS

The Anglican Alliance is mandated to work in three areas: development, relief and advocacy. These three pillars are closely interrelated; for example, good community development helps communities to be better able to cope when faced with disasters.

Development

- Mapping examples of good practice
- Sharing learning and expertise
- Providing technical and theological resources
- Promoting sustainable asset-based development
- Brokering partnerships

Relief

- Connecting churches and agencies during humanitarian crises for prayer and support
- Sharing approaches to support the most vulnerable
- Building resilience through disaster preparedness and mitigation
- Supporting conflict prevention, peace building and reconciliation

Advocacy

- Brokering global advocacy initiatives and coalitions
- Building capacity and sharing policy learning
- Connecting and resourcing Anglican leadership and groups
- Supporting affected communities to speak out

PRIORITIES

Across our three pillars, the Alliance has three global priorities, identified through regional consultations and Anglican Consultative Council resolutions, with guidance from our Board of Trustees and Advisory Council.

Promoting equality

Supporting the empowerment of women, youth and vulnerable communities, including asset-based church and community transformation.

Responding to the most vulnerable

Promoting safe migration and tackling human trafficking, addressing the rights of migrants, refugees and internally displaced peoples and supporting those affected by disasters and conflict, including people with disabilities.

Building a sustainable world

Building commitment to the Sustainable Development Goals, advocating for climate justice, sharing strategies to mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change, and promoting disaster resilience.
O Lord, seize us with your power and light
help us to protect all life
to prepare for a better future
for the coming of your Kingdom
of justice, peace, love and beauty
DEVELOPMENT

The Anglican Alliance provides a mechanism for sharing learning and skills and building joint strategic initiatives across the whole Communion. We do not fund projects on the ground; rather we focus on building and sharing capacity and skills so that as many people as possible are equipped to transform their own communities.

Local Church and Community Transformation (CCT)

Also known as Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD), this inspirational cluster of community development approaches promotes holistic mission, enabling local churches to reflect on the Bible and on God’s calling for them to work with their communities, using their own skills and assets and holding local government to account to promote the common good. These processes unlock local potential and reverse aid dependency.

The Anglican Alliance has worked with agencies and churches to promote envisioning and shared learning on CCT/ABCD across the Communion. In 2018, the Alliance developed new partnerships to promote these approaches, continuing support to the Africa network, based at CAPA, and sharing learning in the Asia context, including a visit to the Philippines to learn about their ABCD approaches.

Human Trafficking and Safe Migration

We have developed a distinctive ‘7P*’ approach for churches to promote safe migration and tackle human trafficking. The Anglican Alliance has a global partnership with the Salvation Army and Caritas Internationalis to share training and build networks of skilled practitioners in each region to work with governments and other agencies on tackling the horrific crime of modern slavery and human trafficking.

In 2018 we convened the second Africa consultation and held the first East Asia consultation, to build regional communities of practice. We gave technical support to training in the Anglican Church of Canada. We helped set up a research initiative to study the effectiveness of this work by local faith communities. We also worked with the Church of England’s Clewer Initiative and others to create the Freedom Sunday resources.

*The 7Ps are: Prevention, Protection, Participation, Partnership, Policy, Prosecution and, underpinning everything, Prayer.

“If a survivor comes to your church there needs to be an open-handed welcome, because the church is the only place that can meet all of a survivor’s needs ...that can give spiritual support.”

Workshop participant who was a survivor of trafficking

“Above all, it changed my mind set in the most amazing way: that development begins from where you are, using what is readily available.”

Rev Jeffrey Munsaka, Zimbabwe, on Agents of Change

CCT workshop on resilience in Zimbabwe
Agents of Change

We have completed a major revision of the Agents of Change learning materials to align the materials with biblical resources and asset-based approaches. This study programme comprises eight modules on skills for faith-based community development, including issues of inclusion, consultation, safeguarding and project management. It is free to access for all Anglicans. In 2018 the Alliance mentored students in Zambia, Zimbabwe and ran an introductory course in Vanuatu, with further roll out in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands.

Sport for Peace and Development

Following the Vatican conference, 'Sport in the Service of Humanity', in 2018 the Alliance piloted a six-day workshop in Rwanda on Football for Peace and Development with Anglican and Roman Catholic churches. This gathering included 30 young church leaders working in relevant contexts in Rwanda, Burundi, DRC, Kenya, South Sudan and Uganda.

"We didn’t realise how much could be achieved by learning how to use football. We will return to Uganda ready to use these new skills to bring our communities together."

Bishop Emmanuel Murye Modi, Kajo Keji, South Sudan, whose community are now refugees in Uganda.
RELIEF

The Anglican Alliance provides a convening platform to coordinate humanitarian support to provinces and dioceses responding to humanitarian crises.

We work closely with a committed group of agencies and diocesan companion links to connect for prayer and joint support so that the local church has a streamlined process for communication, preparing proposals and reporting.

We share the learning gained by local churches in their emergency responses, to help others facing similar situations. Increasingly the Alliance is promoting an asset-based resilience approach, working with agencies to help build the capacity of dioceses and provinces to prepare for and manage disasters and mitigate their impact.

Responses in 2018 included:

- **South Sudan**: Accompanying the provincial team in this protracted relief response, with a focus on humanitarian relief, a cash transfer approach and some recovery activities.
- **DRC**: Coordinating support for dioceses affected by conflict; sharing learning from West Africa on responding to Ebola outbreaks.
- **Caribbean**: Preparing for a regional training in disaster preparedness and resilience, following the devastating 2017 hurricanes.
- **Peru and Colombia**: Helping bring a prayer focus and support for these dioceses following floods and landslides. The solidarity with Peru was poignant, since it was the Bishop of Peru who first advocated for the Anglican Alliance back at the Lambeth Conference in 2008.
- **Vanuatu and Papua New Guinea**: We highlighted the support needed to help people displaced by volcanic activity and an earthquake.
- **Madagascar**: Working with three dioceses after the cyclone, leading to a programme on disaster resilience.
- **Gaza**: Mounting an appeal for Al Ahli Hospital following an upsurge in casualties in Gaza.
- **Europe and Middle East**: Supporting on-going information exchange on church engagement with refugees in Europe as well as in the Middle East.
Thank you for sharing your experience with us and it is helpful. We have already asked our churches to put in place hand washing facilities and also have them in schools. We have been helping people during church services to have more understanding of Ebola so they can prevent it. Please, share whatever you can and we’ll appreciate it to save lives. Thanks for support and prayers.

Bishop Ande Titre, Diocese of Aru, DRC

Other key aspects:

Disaster risk reduction, resilience, preparedness and management skills:
Training in these areas can significantly mitigate impact and promote effectiveness of a rapid response. The Alliance helped to set up a global meeting on this issue in Zimbabwe. It has also supported learning from the Church in Ceylon with its strong disaster preparedness work, during a global meeting in Sri Lanka on climate resilience.

Surge Response:
Working closely with Communion agencies, we are currently piloting an initiative called ‘Partners in Response and Resilience’ in East Africa and the Pacific to test how experienced church workers within a region can be deployed to other dioceses to help strengthen preparedness and resilience, as well as accompanying dioceses in the throes of responding to a disaster.

Reconciliation:
We liaise with colleagues at Lambeth Palace who lead on the reconciliation activities, which often operate side-by-side with our relief work.

Monitoring:
The Alliance also monitors the news and Relief Web to check for emergency situations so it can be immediately in touch to offer prayer and solidarity on behalf of the Communion.
**ADVOCACY**

The Anglican Alliance contributes to the life and witness of the Communion by supporting advocacy initiatives, helping to equip and connect the voices in the Communion, both leaders and those in communities most directly impacted by the issues. We also help to broker and build coalitions with ecumenical and other partners for joint advocacy at a global level.

**Climate Justice**
The Anglican Alliance works with colleagues at the Anglican Communion Office and key groups in the Communion, including the Anglican Communion Environment Network and Green Anglicans, aiming to synergise the various initiatives and connect with wider Christian initiatives, including Renew Our World and the Season of Creation. We also support thematic roundtables of experts from the Church, government, academia and civil society at Lambeth Palace.

**Sustainable Development Goals**
This strategic work is developed in collaboration with the Anglican UN Representative. We are developing theological resources and Bible studies linking the SDGs to the Anglican Marks of Mission, as requested at the Primates’ Meeting. We also supported initiatives on theology and development in Mozambique and the Asia Theological Academy.

**UN Compacts on Migration and Refugees**
Policy issues arising out of our work with migrants and refugees have shaped this advocacy work. In 2018 the Alliance spoke on an inter-faith panel on the UN Migration Compact, hosted by Caritas Internationalis and the Holy See Mission to the UN, at the United Nations building in New York. Along with our Anglican UN colleagues, we have worked ecumenically on advocacy around the UN’s Global Compacts on Migration and on Refugees. We also served on the planning team for a global meeting in Rome about migration - Children on the Move.
Connecting across the Communion

The work described in this report represents the outstanding inputs and collaboration of provinces and dioceses around the Communion as well as their many mission, relief and development agencies, including:

Anglican Board of Mission (Australia), Anglican Development Services (Kenya), Anglican Missions (New Zealand), Anglican Overseas Aid (Australia), CMS (England, Africa, Asia), CAPA, E-Care (Philippines), Hope Africa, Episcopal Relief & Development, Mothers’ Union, SADD (Brazil), PWRDF (Canada) and USPG (England).

Connecting with others

As a platform for the Communion’s mission in development, relief and advocacy, the Anglican Alliance serves to connect this work with a range of external partners. These global relationships build collaboration and trust which can be replicated at national and local levels.

Key external partnerships in 2018 have included:
• The Salvation Army and Caritas Internationalis for global coordination and denominational mobilisation against modern slavery.
• Stop the Traffik and other agencies to partner on tackling modern slavery.
• ACT Alliance, Caritas Internationalis, Lutheran World Federation and World Council of Churches (WCC) for joint advocacy on UN policy on migrants and refugees.
• ACT Alliance and WCC on shaping learning on ecumenical diaconia and promoting greater Anglican participation in ACT forums. Attended ACT Assembly.
• Tearfund for extending learning globally on church and community transformation approaches.
• Joint Learning Initiative on Local Faith Communities, as a founder board member and initiator of research learning hubs.
• World Vision for a global initiative towards ending violence against children on the move.

Left: Visualisation of the countries (represented by lights), organisations and individuals who took part in the East Asia anti-human trafficking consultation.

Far left: Sharing learning on refugee support. A boy with learning difficulties is taught to colour by volunteers at a refugee camp in Jordan.