

6th June, A.D. 2004
Trinity Sunday

The Most Rev. & Rt. Hon. Rowan Williams
Archbishop of Canterbury
Lambeth Palace
London SE1 7JU ENGLAND

Dear Archbishop Williams,

Grace and peace from God the Father and from our Lord Jesus Christ.

Much has been made of the divisions among the orthodox here in North America. The divisions are, in fact, scandalous and we recognize that we must do everything we can to bring them to an end.

We write to you as leaders of key Anglican movements in North America. We write to you in cooperation with and under the chairmanship of Bishop Bob Duncan, Moderator of the Network of Anglican Communion Dioceses and Parishes.

This letter is a first step in signifying our commitment to make common cause for the gospel of Jesus Christ and common cause for a united, missionary and orthodox Anglicanism in North America. While little trumpeted, there are already numerous specifics of cooperation among us. Our intention is to take such additional steps as will help all observers to recognize that a new day is dawning among us.

As we seek to do our part, please be assured of our prayers for you as you strive to give leadership at this extraordinary moment in the history of the Christian Church and of the Anglican Communion.

Faithfully in Christ,

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