# PARTNERS AND VISITORS AT GENERAL SYNOD

# **INDIGENOUS PARTNERS**

General Synod is pleased to welcome partners who come as members of some of the 225 Indigenous Anglican Church communities in Canada.

The Rev. Hannah Alexie
The Rev. Arthur Anderson
Mrs. Elaine Anderson
The Rev. Lily Bell
Ms. Yolanda Bird
Mr. Charles Bobbish
Mrs. Marcie French

The Rev. Dale Gillman
The Rev. Adam Halkett
Mrs. Sylvia James
The Rev. Gloria Moses
Mrs. Ruby Sandy Robinson
The Rev. Barbara Schoomski

# **ECUMENICAL PARTNERS**

# Canadian Council of Churches

The Rev. Bruce Adema is the President of the Canadian Council of Churches. He is also the director of Canadian Ministries and denominational Ecumenical Officer for the Christian Reformed Church in North America

#### Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops

The Most Rev. Anthony Mancini is the Twelfth Archbishop of and current Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Antigonish, Nova Scotia. Prior to his Maritime appointments in November 2007, Mancini served eight years as Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Montreal.

# The United Church of Canada

Ms Mardi Tindal is the Moderator of the United Church of Canada. She began her three-year term as Moderator at the United Church's General Council meeting in 2009, and previously served as director of Five Oak's, an education and retreat centre near Paris, Ontario.

#### FULL COMMUNION PARTNER

The Rev. Susan C. Johnson is the current (since 2007) National Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (ELCIC). She is the first woman to hold the post. Prior to her ordination to the episcopate, she was an Assistant to the Bishop in Eastern Synod, which covers Central Canada and the Maritimes. From 2001 to 2005, she was Vice-President of the ELCIC.

Bishop Johnson was consecrated by fellow Lutheran and Anglican bishops in Winnipeg on the feast of St. Michael and All Angels, 2007. She is an honorary canon of Christ's Church Cathedral (Hamilton, Ontario).



# **INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS**

Gerald Gloade is the Public Information Officer for the Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq (CCM) a well know artist, a storyteller and the project development officer for the Mi'kmawey Debert Project. The Mi'kmawey Debert Cultural Centre, a place for instilling pride and identity, teaching history, highlighting the Mi'kwaw language and oral traditions and communicating the wisdom of Elders. The Centre will play a critical role in collecting and keeping these stories.

Sooriyakumari Sinnathamby, Director of the Sri Lanka office of the Organization for Eelam Refugees and Rehabilitation.

Ms. Sinnathamby is a human rights activist who has worked tirelessly for human rights in Sir Lanka. She is one of the founding members of OfERR in India – An Organization of Eelam Refugees Rehabilitation. In 2004 she returned to Sri Lanka to establish OfERR (Ceylon). She has t raveled in Canada, Australia and the United Kingdom on behalf of refugees in Sri Lanka.

Ms. Hellen Wangusa is the Anglican observer and personal representative of the Archbishop of Canterbury at the United Nations. A Ugandan and daughter of an Anglican priest, Mrs. Wangusa previously worked as the national women's coordinator in Uganda, was a founding member of the African Women's Economic Policy Network, worked for the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) on the U.N.'s Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), and in 2007, accepted the Anglican Communion appointment to the U.N.

# **VISITORS**

The Right Rev. Suheil Dawani is the Anglican Bishop in Jerusalem. The Anglican Bishop in Jerusalem is the bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Jerusalem, which is a part of the Episcopal Church in Jerusalem and The Middle East, and based at St. George's Cathedral, Jerusalem. The Diocese of Jerusalem covering Israel, Palestinian territories, Jordan, Syria and Lebanon.

The Rev. Canon Kenneth Kearon is the Secretary General of the Anglican Communion. Rev. Kearon is a member of the General Synod of the Church of Ireland, Co-ordinator of Auxilliary Ministry (NSM) Training in the church, and a member of the Irish Council for Bioethics.

The Most Rev. Katharine Jefferts Schori is the 26<sup>th</sup> Presiding Bishop and Primate of The Episcopal Church (USA). Previously elected as the 9th Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Nevada, she is the first woman elected as a primate of the worldwide Anglican Communion.

Ms. Martha Gardner is The Episcopal Church partner to the Council of General Synod.

The Rt. Rev. Miguel Tamayo is the Bishop of Uruguay, Province of the Southern Cone and the Interim Bishop of Cuba. Bishop Tamayo is a native Cuban who moved to Uruguay to serve as a missionary.

