

SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN AT 53RD DIOCESAN CONVENTION
MARCH 6-8, ST. CROIX , VIRGIN ISLANDS

1. Approved the minutes of the 52nd Convention.
2. Elected Edith Haynes-lake, Secretary to Convention
3. Appointments: (These persons will serve until the next convention)
 - Chancellor – Atty. Rosalie Simmonds Ballentine
 - Vice Chancellor –Atty. Jamal Smith
 - Treasurer – Juanita Williams
 - Chaplain – The Very Rev. Thomas W. Gibbs, III
 - Historiographer – Dr. Pearl Varlack
 - Public Relations – Ms. Tulip Fleming
 - Regional Deans – St. Croix – The Rev. Edward Thompson
 - St. Thomas/St. John – The Rev. Canon Lionel S. Rymer
 - Virgin Islands (UK) – The Rev. David Stedman
 - Nominating Committee – Mr. LeRoy Claxton, Mrs. Mavis Hennessey, Mr. Will Georges
4. The following persons served the 53rd convention as tellers:
 - Ms. Lowe Davis Mrs. Gloria Walters
 - Mr. Dante deCastro Ms. Corinne Van Rensselear
 - Mrs. Riisa Richards Mr. Basil Bartlette
5. Elected to serve March 2008- March 2009 are as follows:

General Convention Deputies

Clergy -- The Rev. Canon Julian M. Clarke
The Very Rev. Ashton J. Brooks
The Rev. Canon Lionel S. Rymer
The Rev. Edward Thompson

Alternate: The Rev. Wilfred Daniel

Lay – Canon Rosalie Simmonds Ballentine
Mrs. Edith Haynes-Lake
Atty. Jamal Smith
Mr. David Isaac

Alternates:

Ms. Genevieve Edney
Ms. Denise Blyden
Ms. Carol Callwood
Ms. Sandra M. Benjamin

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Elected to serve:

Ecclesiastical Court

Clergy --The Very Rev. Ashton J. Brooks
The Rev. Ronald Branche
The Rev. Lenroy Cabey

Lay --Mrs. Carolyn Clendinen
Mr. Clement Friday

Standing Committee – (Two year terms)

Clergy – The Rev. Canon Lionel S. Rymer
The Rev. Stedwart Lee

Lay – Mrs. Sharon Kandell
Dr. Patricia Todman

Finance Committee (One Year terms)

Mrs. Gloria Walters
Mrs. Rosalie Javois
Dr. Walter Brown
Mr. Glenroy Forbes

Appointed: Mrs. Carmen Walters
Mr. Maurice Sebastian
Mrs. Rosalind Scipio

6. DATES AND PLACE OF 54TH CONVENTION

Tentative – March 5-7, 2009

St. Thomas/St. John Deanery

Reports Due: January 15th

Blue Book – February 1

7. Approved the 2008 Budget

8. Accepted the 2006 Audited Financial Statement

9. Accepted the Treasurer's Report

10. Returned proposed Canon 48- Episcopal Schools to the Constitution and Canons Committee.

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11. Require the Constitution and Canons committee to draft regulations to revise the canon dealing with the establishment of a quorum in the clergy order.
12. Passed resolution to declare 2008 the Year of the Youth.
13. Courtesy resolutions to thank Atty. Lewis Hunte, The Rev. Angela S. Ifill, Rev. Frank N. Johnson, Dr. Wesley Williams, Rev. Dendtler, Rev. Lee, The Rev. E. Ambrose Gumbs, Mrs. Delores Gumbs, Ms. Deanna Sackey, Mr. Dante deCastro, the Rev. Canon Lionel S. Rymer, Transportation Committee, St. Croix Deanery, the Rev. Edward Thompson, the Rev. Richard Abbott, the Rev. Michael Clarke, the Rev. David Stedman, The Rt. Rev. Gayle Harris, Canon Nan Peete, Canon Kwasi Thornell, the Rev. Theodore Johnson and the St. Georges Primary School.
14. Moment of silence in memory of Mr. Clarence Heyliger
15. Applauded - Ms. Low Davis , Mrs. Virginia Burke and her Strategic Planning team.

NEW STANDING COMMITTEE

The Very Rev. Thomas W. Gibbs, III (second year of first term) election required 2009
The Rev. David Stedman (second year of first term) election required 2009
The Rev. Canon Lionel S. Rymer (first year of first term) election required 2010
The Rev. Stedwart Lee (first year of first term) election required 2010

Lay

Dr. Patricia Rymer Todman (first year of second term) election required 2010
Mrs. Sharon Kandell (first year of first term) election required 2010

Mrs. Loretta Lynch second year of first term election required 2009
Mrs. Claudia Bell second year of first term election required 2009

NEW FINANCE COMMITTEE

Mrs. Gloria Walters
Mrs. Rosalie Javois
Dr. Walter Brown
Mr. Glenroy Forbes

Mr. Maurice Sebastian
Mrs. Carmen Walters
Mrs. Roslyn Scipio