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Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?





MORE NEWS FROM THE CONSULTATION

In March, the *Bulletin* introduced The Consultation to our Readers:

"We're an organization of organizations. We don't have individual members. We bring together the progressive groups in The Episcopal Church. The Consultation doesn't set priorities for its member organizations but we look for ways to help each other reach our goals. Our focus is on the General Convention every three years. We've been doing this since 1985 and most of the remarkable progress our church has made since then has been a result of the mutual assistance and sharing of perspectives that the Consultation has encouraged. The challenges remain and may be even more daunting. The Episcopal Church needs the Consultation. We are more effective together." [Issues, March 2020]

Visit the website, www.theconsultation.org, to learn more.

One of the Consultation's primary activities is the publication of the **Consultation Platform** in the spring prior to each General Convention. Member groups create the Platform, which articulates the Consultation's vision and legislative goals for G.C. The Platform is circulated by member groups prior to Convention and published in *Issues*, the Consultation newsletter, to inform bishops and deputies.

Read the Platform HERE.

The 2022 Platform is an inspirational document, structured by our Baptismal promises. To provide just a taste, here is the first section:

1. To strive for justice and peace among all people and to respect the dignity of the Earth and every human being:

Recognize that Israel's policies toward the Palestinian people constitute a system of apartheid, and that opposing it with non-violent means such as boycott is the right of everyone.

Respect human rights everywhere by supporting public policies to condition aid on human rights, and by ensuring that TEC does not invest in entities with documented human/labor rights abuses.

Devote ourselves to caring for God's creation and advocate for justice and equity for people of African descent and all people of color.

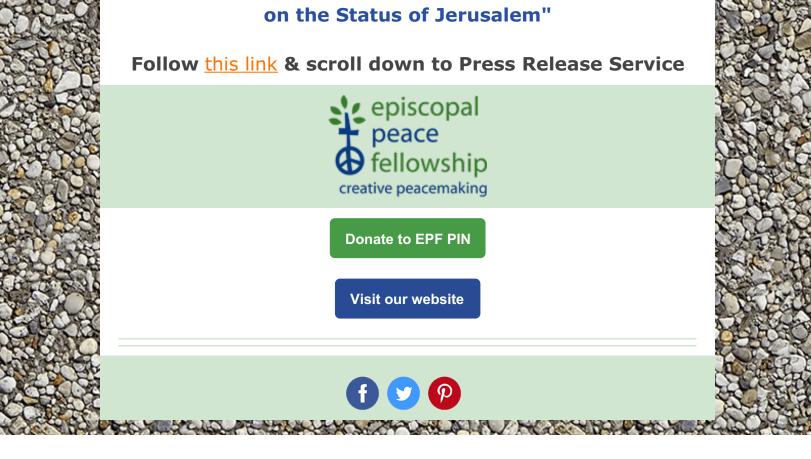
Recognize our church's role in the enslavement of Black people and invest heavily in the health and sustainability of Black congregations and communities. Innovate to create a system that nurtures and supports people of color in the fullness of their ministries.

Continue the church's efforts to recruit, retain, and nurture Black young people, and provide for the young adults in our Episcopal HBCUs.

PIN urges all our members and allies to "read, mark & inwardly digest" the 2022 Consultation Platform.

The Steering Committee extends for two more weeks the ENS posting of PIN's Press Release:

"Response to the Bishops' Pastoral Letter



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