

IAWN – Way Forward 2009–2012

1. Elimination of all forms of violence against women and children, especially trafficking.
2. Elimination of extreme poverty, by ensuring access to health care, safe water, and employment opportunities.
3. Promotion of gender equality throughout the Anglican Communion.
4. Combating HIV/AIDS, malaria and tuberculosis.
5. Promotion of gender budgeting, which is a key to all of the above.

IAWN encourages Anglican women to:

- **Uphold** the Anglican Communion and the Network in prayer;
- **Dialogue** about issues critical to the well-being of women;
- **Assist** the Provincial Link with contributions for the website and newsletters;
- **Advocate** for change for women through the Anglican Consultative Council (ACC) and the Anglican Observer at the United Nations;
- **Promote** and monitor implementation of resolution ACC13-31 calling for equal participation of women in all decision-making bodies throughout the Anglican Communion.

Donations: IAWN welcomes any donation to assist in the implementation of its goals.

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IAWN welcomes you!

If you are interested in working with IAWN, please send your Name, Diocese and Province, as well your e-mail and address to info@iawn.org.

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IAWN

International Anglican Women's Network

Our Vision

To be a bold and prophetic voice
for all Anglican women
in the Anglican Communion
and in the wider world

An official network of the
Anglican Consultative Council

Our Purpose

To enable and empower all women of the Anglican Communion to work cooperatively at national, provincial and communion-wide levels in order to strengthen the ministries of women in God's world and to ensure women are influential and equal participants throughout the entire Anglican Communion.

Our Objectives

- To uphold and live out God's mission for the Anglican Communion as expressed by the ACC in the Five Marks of Mission: to proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom; to teach, baptize and nurture new believers; to respond to human need by loving service; to seek to transform unjust structures of society; to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth. We will do this with respect to the full participation of women, as well as women's rights and needs.
- To bring to the Anglican Consultative Council the perspectives of women and to raise issues that affect women and to communicate to women across the Communion news from their sisters; IAWN reports to the ACC will include reports from the provincial links and from multi-provincial organizations, including Mothers' Union, Girl Friendly Society, etc.
- To work with the Anglican Observer at the United Nations and implement initiatives that fulfill the UN Beijing Platform for Action (BPfA), the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), and other initiatives of the United Nations and its specialized agencies for the benefit of women.
- To partner with the other networks of the Anglican Consultative Council;
- To ensure adequate resources for IAWN.

Organizational Structure of IAWN

- **IAWN Steering Group:** 7 elected and 1 Mothers' Union appointee. The Focal Point for women designated by the ACC Standing Committee and the Anglican Observer at the United Nations have ex-officio status.
- **Patron & Advisors:** The Steering Group may designate a patron. They may invite individuals to serve as advisors for their expertise and capacity to support and assist the work of IAWN
- **Provincial Links in each of the 38 Provinces and 6 extra-territorial provinces:** To date, 34 Provinces have appointed IAWN link women
- **All women of the Anglican Communion:** invited to voice their concerns and become active in promoting the work of the Network

Historical Background

The International Anglican Women's Network (IAWN) was formed in November 1996 to enable women's concerns to be voiced in the councils of the church, particularly the Anglican Consultative Council (ACC) and the Joint Standing Committee of the ACC and the Primates.

In 2005, the ACC passed Resolution 13-31 which included: acknowledgement of Millennium Development Goal #3 for equal representation of women in decision making at all levels; a request to Provinces to consider the establishment of a women's desk, and a recommendation that the Standing Committee should undertake a study of the place and role of women in the structures of the Anglican Communion. In 2009, the ACC endorsed elements of Resolution 13-31 and also stated its support for the elimination of all forms of violence against women and girls, including trafficking, encouraged Provinces to participate in activities promoting the rights and welfare of women, and recommended the implementation of the principles of gender budgeting (Resolution 14-33). Alongside IAWN's Objectives and its priorities identified in 'Way Forward 2009-2012' (see over), the Network continues to monitor implementation of these resolutions.

IAWN reports yearly to the Standing Committee; 34 provinces have appointed IAWN Provincial Link women, and the First Meeting of the IAWN Steering Group and Provincial Links was held in February 2009, during which a new Steering Group for 2009-2012 was elected.



Photo: Members of the Steering Group – past and present

The IAWN Steering Group, 2009-2012

Priscilla Julie, Coordinator	The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean
Francisca Bawayan, Secretary	The Episcopal Church in the Philippines
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Ann Skamp	The Anglican Church of Australia
Margaret Jones	Mothers' Union (appointed)