DEAR FRIENDS,

It was a privilege to be elected the new President of the Compass Rose Society by the Society’s Board last October at its annual meeting in Canterbury. I can honestly say that the Society is a far more influential organization today in the life of the Anglican Communion than it was when I completed my term as Secretary General of the Anglican Communion in December 2004. Much of the growth came as a result of the outstanding presidential leadership of Bishop Philip Poole over the last eleven years. Philip’s dedication and commitment to the global ministry of the Compass Rose Society as it supports the ministry of the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Anglican Communion will be a witness for decades to come. We are all indebted to Philip for his leadership.

The Inauguration of Archbishop Welby

The Compass Rose Society was given three seats at the inauguration of Justin Portal Welby when he became the 105th Archbishop of Canterbury on 21 March 2013 in Canterbury Cathedral. Society officers Bishop of Texas Andy Doyle and Treasurer, Robert J. Biehl, and I were honored to represent the Society that day in the “Mother Cathedral” of the Anglican Communion. The tone of the service was set immediately after Archbishop Justin knocked three times on the west door of the Cathedral with his crozier (pastoral staff).

He was greeted by Evangeline Kanagasooriam with these words:
“We greet you in the name of Christ. Who are you and why do you request entry?”

The Archbishop responded:
“I am Justin, a servant of Jesus Christ, and I come as one seeking the grace of God, to travel with you in his service together.”

Evangeline then asked:
“Why have you been sent to us?”

And the Archbishop responded:
“I am sent as Archbishop to serve you, to proclaim the love of Christ and with you to worship and love him with with heart and soul, mind and strength.”

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It is the first 100 days in a new job when you make the biggest impact, or so they say. When Archbishop Justin Welby’s 100 days began is up for debate. Greater minds than mine will know whether practically/legally/ecclesiologically it was January 1 (when Dr. Rowan Williams left the role) or February 4 (when Archbishop Welby was installed at London’s St Paul’s Cathedral) or March 21 (when he was enthroned in Canterbury Cathedral.)

Whichever you prefer, what is clear is that the 105th occupant of St Augustine’s Chair has already made his mark, and is making the role his own.

His first major appointment revealed that reconciliation was a priority theme for him. In February, Canon David Porter was announced as his Director for Reconciliation at Lambeth Palace. “His initial focus,” said the official press release “will be on supporting creative ways for renewing conversations and relationships around deeply held differences within the Church of England and the Anglican Communion”.

Shortly afterwards, the Reverend Dr. Jo Bailey Wells was appointed to be his chaplain. A female priest Dr. Bailey Wells has extensive experience working with the Church in the United States and South Sudan. She was Dean of Clare College Cambridge and Director of Anglican Episcopal House of Studies at Duke Divinity School in North Carolina which, according to one biography, “during her seven years there... developed a unique reputation for working across the fractured ecclesial divides.”

It seems then that Archbishop Welby’s ministry might be summarized as (with apologies to a former British Prime Minister) “reconciliation, reconciliation, reconciliation”.

But wait. Open a British newspaper and it is not Welby the reconciler we see, rather an Archbishop out to shine a light on issues of poverty, and the questionable practices of big business and the banking sector. His pronouncements about the state of the British economy — “depression rather than recession” — have been welcomed by a nation tired of evasive, half-truth telling politicians and bonus-happy bankers. Archbishop Welby’s warning that proposed government welfare reforms would hit children hardest also ruffled some feathers. The new Archbishop of Canterbury clearly takes the prophetic part of his Episcopal ministry very seriously too.

This happy contradiction of reconciliation and conflict was no more apparent than in his installation at Canterbury’s hallowed cathedral. Traditional English Anglicanism was peppered with Ghanaian dancing and Sri Lankan hymns (His sermon began: “We are an international community”). His entrance to the cathedral was challenged by a teenager (Anglican elders having to answer to Anglican youth). His sermon was both an appeal for people to be reconciled to God, and also a warning to British society that it must keep Christ at its center.

Whenever his first 100 days actually began, I suspect Archbishop Justin Welby will continue to have a significant impact on the Church of England, the Anglican Communion and the wider world for many days to come.
CRS PRESIDENTS TOUR 3,000 MILES ACROSS CANADA
By John L. Peterson

When I was elected President of the Compass Rose Society at last year’s October’s Board meeting held at the Old Palace, Canterbury, at the first break I went to speak with President Philip Poole. The first thing I asked Philip to do was to facilitate a visit to Canada for me. I also asked Philip if he would join me because no one has been more instrumental than Philip in “planting” the Compass Rose Society in Canada.

My first objective of visiting Canada was to meet Canadian CRS members whom I did not know. I asked Philip to introduce me to as many individuals, chapters and organizations as possible, and making a point of visiting each diocesan member.

Philip had already emphasized to me of “the dedication and commitment of Canadian members and their immense passion to support the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Anglican Communion”. Philip was not wrong. I am extremely grateful to Philip who contacted each Diocesan Bishop member across Canada.

From a bitterly cold January 21 to January 30, we made a ten day, eight city visit, stretching approximately 3,000 miles across the country. I must say that I was born and raised in northern Minnesota and hence, I know cold; however, nothing compares to the cold spell Canada experienced during our visit. However, I want to add quickly, that the welcome and hospitality that Canada offered us was extremely warm and generous.

During our time in Canada, we visited and stayed in: Calgary and Edmonton in Alberta; Vancouver in British Columbia; Toronto, London, Ottawa, and Kingston in Ontario; and Montreal in Quebec.

As I mentioned, the original intention of our trip was for me to get to know Canadians. My purpose was not to secure new memberships. However, at the time of the printing of this Communicator newsletter, we have already obtained five new Compass Rose Society memberships as a result of that visit! Quite a number of others are also considering a membership as a direct result of the Compass Rose Society receptions that were held in each city we visited. The hospitality extended to both Philip and me was warm and authentic. I am looking forward to returning to Canada, but hopefully in a much warmer month than mid-January.

The Society’s President Recently Received
This Letter of Appreciation from the Secretary General

Dear John,

The Finance & Administration Committee of the Anglican Communion has asked me to convey to the Board and members of the Compass Rose Society its sincere thanks and appreciation for the increased contributions from the Society to the Anglican Communion Office. The increase is very encouraging and will be very helpful in furthering the mission of the Anglican Communion. The Committee also noted and appreciated the contributions raised to rebuild the Anglican Communion website — again it is very grateful.

May I add my own words of appreciation to this?

Do please share this with the membership.

Sincerely,

Kenneth

The Reverend Canon Kenneth Kearon, Secretary General of the Anglican Communion
Anglican Communion Website Update:
Society Exceeds Its Goal

Jan Butter, the Anglican Communion’s Director for Communication, has sent along an update on the progress of the new Anglican Communion website which CRS has helped fund. The web address he directs us to is http://uat.anglicannews.org which is the testing platform for the news portion of the site. Eventually there will also be other Communion background pages on the completed site. He notes that the site is still a work in progress and comments, “You’ll see that this test format is filled with the latest news that currently resides on www.aco.org. The project plan that our web designers have for the completion of the full site is the end of the year, but there still may be technical glitches along the way. You can see that the news site is worth the wait, and I know the full site will be too. We were thrilled to secure the anglicannews.org address.”

Treasurer Bob Biehl reports that the Society has exceeded its goal of a $50,000 contribution to the cost of the project, thus continuing our mission of support for the communication activities of the Anglican Communion that was the impetus for the formation of the Society in 1994. Thanks to all who made this possible.

Texas-sized hospitality greeted the Compass Rose Society board of directors as members stepped off their planes at the Austin-Bergstrom International Airport in late April and it continued for the next two days at the Seminary of the Southwest.

The seminary, located on five-acres in urban Austin, was founded in 1951 by Bishop John E. Hines as a “seminary for the whole church,” and “forms Christian leaders pursuing ordination within the church, as well as those interested in lay forms of ministry, including chaplaincy and counseling.” New leadership has recently come to the seminary as The Reverend Cynthia Briggs Kittredge took office as dean and president upon the retirement of Douglas Travis.

With our new president the Reverend Canon John L. Peterson leading the way, the board agenda covered final plans for the upcoming annual meeting (details still in the works at this writing), reports from the secretary general and the president, a proposal for a new CRS website, discussion of the trip to Ghana and future communion visits and reports from the finance, communications and membership committees.

An important topic of the meeting was the Society’s ongoing plans to retain and re-engage existing members of the Society. Tara Elgin Holley, vice president for institutional advancement for the Seminary of the Southwest addressed the meeting with a presentation entitled “Donor Care and Cultivation at the Seminary of the Southwest” which described friend- and fundraising techniques which have been successful at the Seminary and which can be useful in the Society’s own efforts.
The 2013 annual meeting of the Compass Rose Society will be held Thursday and Friday October 10 and 11 in Canterbury, Kent, UK. The Archbishop of Canterbury, The Most Reverend Justin Welby and Mrs. Caroline Welby will host the annual Archbishop’s Dinner on Friday evening.

The meeting begins at 2 p.m. on Thursday with the first session at the Canterbury Cathedral Lodge Conference Centre. At 5 p.m., members meet with the Archbishop for questions and answers followed by a reception at 6:30 p.m. and dinner hosted by Archbishop and Mrs. Welby at Canterbury Cathedral Lodge at 7:15 p.m. The group reconvenes on Friday morning at 9:30 a.m. and concludes at 5 p.m.

An online AGM registration email was sent to members on April 10, 2013. If you have not yet received your email invitation, please contact Debbie Crossling Barker, (debbie@compassrosesociety.org; 905.607.1348), provide her with your email address and we will ensure that you receive your invitation.

You can find more information about Canterbury Cathedral here: www.canterbury-cathedral.org.

The newly installed Archbishop is greeted with gladness and applause.

Thabo Makgoba

The Most Reverend Thabo Makgoba, Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town and Metropolitan of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa, will be the featured speaker at the Compass Rose Society annual meeting in October.

Bishop Makgoba graduated from Orlando High, Soweto, and received a BSc at the University of the Witwatersrand before going to St Paul’s College in Grahamstown South Africa to study for the Anglican ministry. He has since obtained a Masters in Educational Psychology at the University of the Witwatersrand, where he also lectured part-time from 1993 to 1996.

He was made Bishop of Queenstown (Suffragan Bishop of Grahamstown) on May 25, 2002, and became Bishop of Grahamstown in 2004. Until he moved to the Diocese of Grahamstown as Bishop Suffragan, Makgoba’s ministry had been spent in the Diocese of Johannesburg, first as a curate at the Cathedral, and then as University of Witwatersrand chaplain. After that, he headed St Alban’s Church and later Christ the King, Sophiatown.

He became Archdeacon of Sophiatown in 1999 and Archbishop of Cape Town on in December, 2007, the youngest person ever to be elected to this position. He is currently the Chancellor of the University of the Western Cape.

Makgoba received an honorary Doctorate of Divinity from the General Theological Seminary in 2009 and graduated with a Ph.D. from the University of Cape Town in December 2009. His thesis concerned workplace spirituality.

In 2008 he was awarded the Cross of St. Augustine, the second highest international award for outstanding service to the Anglican Communion, by the Archbishop of Canterbury.
Archbishop Justin knows the Compass Rose Society well because he hosted the Society’s 2011 visit to Liverpool Cathedral just a month before he moved to Durham to become its Bishop. The Fall 2011 Compass Rose Communicator reported on the Liverpool visit this way: “...he [Archbishop Justin] was most gracious and generous with his time as he introduced us to the history of Liverpool and the Cathedral, accompanied us to several stops on our program, led an Evensong for our group and, with his wife, Caroline, hosted us at a final dinner in the Cathedral’s on-site refectory, Couture.” I am looking forward to working with Archbishop Justin and I know the annual meeting attendees are looking forward to our October meeting when we will have the opportunity to meet with Archbishop and Mrs. Welby.

Annual Meeting & Communion Visit

In April the board of directors of the Compass Rose Society met at the Seminary of the Southwest in Austin, Texas. The hospitality we received was certainly Texan and all of the board members appreciated the warm welcome and generosity of the seminary.

At that meeting we had extended conversations about the upcoming annual meeting this year. The dates are October 10-11 and the meeting will be held at Canterbury Cathedral. The membership has already received information about the annual meeting. I urge you to send in your registration right away because of the limitations we face in Canterbury. We can only seat 100 people at the dinner with the Archbishop and Mrs. Welby.

Our guest speaker at the meeting will be the Archbishop of Cape Town and Primate of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa, the Most Reverend Thabo Makgoba. I have known the Archbishop for a decade and he is really a wonderful friend. Archbishop Thabo is one of the most dynamic leaders today in the Anglican Communion. The Church in Southern Africa has asked the Compass Rose Society to support a unique pilot project, which will be to provide electronic readers to students at the seminary in Grahamstown as well to laity in a provincial program out of Cape Town. We are looking forward to having Archbishop Thabo with us. We are in for a real treat.

Following our annual meeting the Compass Rose Society will be visiting the Diocese of Cape Coast in Ghana. We have been invited by Bishop Daniel S.A. Allotey to visit his diocese to see the educational and medical facilities as well as St. Nicholas Seminary which is located in Cape Coast Diocese. The Diocese has 54 Day Nurseries, 62 Primary Schools, 74 Junior Secondary Schools and two Senior Secondary Schools. It also supports two medical facilities and a third clinic is to be established near Cape Coast. It was from the Diocese of Cape Coast that the slave trade left for the Caribbean, United States and Canada. Today Cape Coast Castle is on the UNESCO World Heritage site, horrific as it is. This is going to be a great Compass Rose Society visit.

A Task Force for our Future

The Anglican Communion and the Compass Rose Society are in a time of “new beginnings”: a new Archbishop of Canterbury and a new Compass Rose Society president. This will be a time when the Compass Rose Society will be able to respond to the needs of our global family. Hopefully we will respond both generously and with a new determination as we join Archbishop Justin as he serves us and might we help him “to proclaim the love of Christ and with you to worship and love him with heart and soul, mind and strength,” Archbishop Welby’s response to Evangeline Kanagasooriam.

Before our board meeting in Austin, I called together a group of Society members to brainstorm with me about the future of the Compass Rose Society. Looking at the membership of the Society, it’s easy to see the wonderful resources we have in the number of people who are committed to the ministries of the Anglican Communion and the Archbishop of Canterbury. It surprises me to realize, for instance, that in spite of the economic downturn in 2008, the Society has been able to grow in membership and to meet its annual financial commitment to the Anglican Consultative Council. However, the giving since 2006 has been flat. Last year there was a good recovery and this year promises to be even better.

However, better is not good enough. The needs of the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Anglican Communion are outpacing our capacity. As a result, at the Austin board meeting, I appointed a task force to explore the potential and the future of the Compass Rose Society.

Today we have an opportunity before us to grow the Compass Rose Society — in number and strength as well as in the expansive life that we know comes with stewardship and its fruits of giving generously and loving freely. With the great strength that we have in the Compass Rose Society, the question with which I challenged the task force is “how can we be more responsive?” How do we respond to the news of our members to build relationships that make a difference? How do we engage in relationship building with those in need to build strong opportunities versus destructive patterns of charity? What new trends in development does the Society need to pay attention to so we take care of both the donor and the grantee?

In the next two years I would like for us to think big. How can we energize our ministry? How do we play a role in the second largest global faith family? In the next two years can we double the financial support and otherwise, that we now give to the Anglican Communion and increase capital for the mission of the Archbishop of Canterbury? In the next two years can we look into long range financial planning so the Compass Rose Society will be able to offer good giving options to our membership? In the next two years, can we involve more people, more parishes, more dioceses and more Episcopalians/Anglicans in this
great gift of relationship-based engagement to assist the Anglican Communion and the Archbishop of Canterbury in his ministry?

I am hopeful that the task force will have a report for the Compass Rose Society board to consider at our Canterbury meetings in October. I know that many of our members have enormous expertise in this area and I encourage you to share your ideas with David Gannicott, chair of the task force. David’s email address is: djhg@gannicott.com. The task force would appreciate your insights so we can respond more effectively in our mission.

God bless you...and may God always bless the Compass Rose Society.

Yours ever,

The Reverend Canon John L. Peterson
President, Compass Rose Society

The Reverend Canon John L. Peterson is the president of The Compass Rose Society. Most recently, Peterson was Canon for Global Justice and Reconciliation at the Washington National Cathedral where he organized a program of education, alliance building, resource gathering and communication to address the acute global issues of violence, poverty and disease. He has been a driving force in the establishment of the Cathedral’s Christian Muslim Summit initiatives.

Canon Peterson served as the Secretary General of the Worldwide Anglican Communion in London from 1995 to 2005 heading the Anglican Consultative Council, the Primates Meeting, the Lambeth Conference and the role and person of the Archbishop of Canterbury. It was during Peterson’s tenure as Secretary General that the Compass Rose Society was established.

Before his appointment as Secretary General, Peterson was the Dean of St. George’s College, Jerusalem for 12 years. He is also the Anglican Canon at St. George’s Cathedral in Jerusalem and is an Honorary Canon in St. Michael’s Cathedral, Kaduna Nigeria, All Saints, Mwagwiwa, Tanzania, as well as St. Dunstan’s Cathedral, Benoni, South Africa. He is also an Honorary Canon of St. Stephen’s Cathedral in Harrisburg, PA.

Canon Peterson serves as a Board Member of the Spafford Children’s Center in Jerusalem and the American Friends of the Spafford Children’s Center. He is a member of the American Friends of the Diocese of Jerusalem and serves as an International Advisor to the Anglican Bishop in Jerusalem. In addition he is a frequent participant on the American Religious Town Hall and a member of the Planning Committee for the Religious Leaders section of the US-Islamic World Forum sponsored by the Brookings Institution.

JOHN PETERSON
To Lead Pilgrimage to the Holy Land for CRS Members in March 2014

Society President John Peterson will lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land for Society members from March 29 - April 9, 2014.


The trip will be limited to 25 Society members (non-member partners will be counted in the total) and places will be assigned on a first-come first-served basis. A waiting list will be established when the limit is reached.

More details on the trip will be available next month and we will email the membership with further information at that time.
BECOME A COMPASS ROSE SOCIETY MEMBER

Join as an individual member or form a parish, diocesan or cathedral chapter of any number of members. Share in the annual meeting - typically dinner at Lambeth Palace or Canterbury Cathedral with Compline in the archbishop’s chapel - meet fellow Anglicans on communion visits throughout the world or study our Anglican heritage on location.

Individual membership includes an invitation for the member or couple and up two guests to attend the Society’s event in the UK and communion visits or study trips scheduled each year.

With a parish membership, the rector and guest and two designated parish members may attend. Four members of a chapter may attend. With a diocesan membership, the bishop, a guest and two designated members may attend.

Since it was established in 1997, The Compass Rose Society has donated more than $7.6 million to support the Anglican Communion. Three quarters of these donations aided the work of the Anglican Consultative Council, and sixty percent of these ACC donations have supported Communion communications — projects such as the new Anglican Communion website design — which spread the messages of the Communion around the world and enable Anglicans to interact with one another. Fifteen percent of the donations have supported the work of the Diocese of Jerusalem and the Middle East. In calendar 2012, $390 thousand was raised to support these organizations: Anglican Consultative Council $293 thousand; St. George’s College, Jerusalem $44 thousand; the Diocese of Brazil $20 thousand; the Diocese of Kaduna, Nigeria $15 thousand; the International Anglican Women’s Network $8,800; NIFCON $2,600 and the Diocese of the Amazon $1,500.

For more information, contact the Reverend Canon John L. Peterson at jpeterson@compassrosesociety.org.

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