Affirming the Accra Confession: Covenanting for Justice in the Economy and the Earth

APPROVED

THEREFORE be it resolved that the Twenty-seventh General Synod of the United Church of Christ affirms the importance of the Accra Confession: Covenanting for Justice in the Economy and the Earth; which was previously affirmed by UCC delegates to the World Alliance of Reformed Churches General Council 2004.

Be it further resolved that the Twenty-seventh General Synod urges all United Church of Christ members, churches, associations, conferences, and institutions to:

• read and study the Accra Confession and use it in worship and as a focus for educational forums;
• learn about neoliberal economic globalization, as defined by the ACCRA Confession, and other economic systems which impoverish and oppress people around the world and in the U.S., and study the impacts of these economic systems;
• pray about and discern the implications of the Accra Confession for our daily life as individuals, and for our life together in our homes, churches, and institutions; and
• engage in advocacy around national and international policies that will bring the reality of globalization more in line with God’s vision for God’s world;

Be it further resolved that resources created by the WARC North American Covenanting for Justice Working Group will be made available (primarily online) for use by all settings of the UCC (including online resources that describe the WARC process and detail its history posted at http://warc.jalb.de/warcajsp/side.jsp?news_id=1154&navi=45).

FUNDING

Funding for the implementation of this resolution will be made in accordance with the overall mandates of the affected agencies and the funds available.

IMPLEMENTATION

Justice and Witness Ministries and Wider Church Ministries are requested to implement this resolution.