

2008 Diocesan Convention
Resolution I-1

Originator: Peace and Justice Task Force

Subject: On the Importance of Fostering Reconciliation

Whereas, events that are occurring both within and outside the Church have made the achievement of reconciliation a core challenge to its mission, and

Whereas, the continuation of strife and conflict of all kinds are happening within our communities, our nation, and the world, and

Whereas, the consequences of said strife and conflict demand a conscientious effort toward reconciliation on the part of all Christians, therefore

Be it resolved, that the Diocese of Northwestern Pennsylvania reaffirm its ministry of reconciliation and encourage the development of Christian community in the following ways:

Within the church: that the Diocese continue to foster dialogue, both corporal and individually, with those outside the Diocese, where the usual channels of communication have been disrupted or severed.

Within the world: to both continue and expand those already active outreach ministries in India, Guatemala, and Tanzania and to continue our support of the Millennium Development Goals.

Within our communities: by examining ways that we may open ourselves to reach out to others who are victimized by the consequences of addiction, poverty, or war, while remaining mindful of such efforts already undertaken.

Article and section of constitution or canons affected: none

Budget line item(s) affected: none