

# **Decision Session 11: Finance and Unfinished Business**

## **Finance Report**

### **PROPOSAL A**

To this end, the Committee recommends strengthening membership contributions in the following actions:

1. Public acknowledgement and transparency: Publish quarterly lists recognising and thanking churches that have fulfilled their dues, fostering accountability and gratitude.
2. Procedural communication with non-paying members: Implement a standardised communication protocol, including formal notices and personalised correspondence emphasising solidarity and shared mission.
3. Regionalised added value communication: Develop tailored regional messaging to articulate the benefits and impact of WCRC participation clearly.
4. Strategic engagement and relationship-building: Continue and expand Executive Committee visits to reconnect with inactive or non-contributing churches.
5. Publish audited financial reports at every General Council meeting for accountability.

### **PROPOSAL B**

The General Council endorses the establishment of a ‘Ten Dollar Campaign’, in which member churches are invited to share with their congregants the opportunity to contribute annually (possibly combined with a “WCRC Sunday”) to support the WCRC’s mission. The initiative will be supported with standard communication assets provided by WCRC for contextual implementation including other currencies based on economy. This campaign will strengthen financial support and engagement across the Communion, as well as possibly benefiting the “Reformed Churches Partnership Fund.” The campaign will include regular updates to members of the WCRC.

## PROPOSAL C

Encouraging individuals to include the WCRC in estate planning and legacy gifts from congregations, can also enhance long-term sustainability.

## PROPOSAL D

The General Council requests the global office of the WCRC, under the leadership of the General Secretary, to develop and implement a plan to actively pursue eligibility for external funding from multilateral and governmental sources such as the European Union, United Nations agencies, and faith-based foundations, in close coordination with regional councils.

## PROPOSAL E

WCRC collaborates as much as possible with ecumenical partners, to strengthen the shared mission and use of resources in the most effective way.

### **From “Covenanting from Justice”**

#### **Strategies**

- e) Last two sentences: “To counter homophobia by “reaffirming our witness to Christ’s gospel of love and inclusion, by committing ourselves to being hospitable and welcoming to everyone regardless of their sexuality or gender identity.” (Public Witness Decision October 22<sup>nd</sup> 2025). To work with men and boys for the cause of a community of equals.”
  
- f) “To further our solidarity with Palestinian people and work towards resisting Christian Zionism which is under stood “as a political- theological ideology and distortion of the Biblical witness whenever it justifies violence or occupation in the name of God, while making a clear distinction between this and Judaism with which we share the First Testament and the prophetic values of justice and compassion. Rejecting Christian Zionism does not mean rejecting Judaism’ rather, it expresses

our commitment never to use faith to justify injustice, racism or violence.”  
(Public Witness Decision October 22<sup>nd</sup> 2025).

### **From Mission**

d) “To consider, recognise, and declare the phenomenon of Christian Zionism\* as fundamentally evil, racist and a travesty to the Gospel.”

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### **Public Witness Committee**

The General Council:

refers to the Executive Committee the specific concerns heard during the public hearings, procedural inclusions and Communications, along with any submitted proposal which the Public Witness Committee discerned needed more careful work/consideration, to the Executive Committee to take into account and act upon, including:

- Cuba blockade
- South Sudan
- Kenya “Gen Z” youth
- Armenians in Artzack
- Democratic Republic of Congo
- Mozambique
- Russia/ Ukraine war
- Tartars in Crimea
- Sexual violence in churches
- Zimbabwe
- South Africa