



# Anglican Network in Canada

## Notice of Electoral Synod for the Election of a Co-Adjutor Bishop and Moderator Successor for the Anglican Network in Canada

Notice is hereby given of an Electoral Synod for the Election of a Co-Adjutor Diocesan Bishop and Moderator Successor for the Anglican Network in Canada on Nov. 14, 2012 at St. Peter and St. Paul's Anglican Church, 152 Metcalfe Street, Ottawa, Ontario, at 2:00 PM.

A Nomination Committee was appointed by The ANiC Council on Dec. 1, 2011 with the following members: The Rev. Sharon Hayton, Victoria BC; Mr. Peter Pang, Vancouver BC; Dr Gary Graber, Ottawa ON; Mr. Claus Lenk, Toronto, ON (Chair). In addition, The Rt. Rev. Donald Harvey (Moderator), Mr. Michael Donison (Chancellor), The Rev. Tom Carman (Registrar) are members ex-officio. The Moderator at his own request did not participate in any discussion on the selection of candidates.

The Episcopal Election has received the approval of the College of Bishops of the Anglican Church in North America at its meeting on June 5, 2012.

The Episcopal Election will be held in accordance with the Canons of the Anglican Church in North America, and Section 1, Article 4, Section 1.4.1 (g) and (h) of the Canons of the Anglican Network in Canada.

The Primate of the Anglican Church in North America, the Most. Rev. Robert Duncan will preside over the election.

### **Nominations**

The Nominating Committee is nominating 3 candidates who have agreed to stand for election. They are:

**The Rt. Rev. Ronald Ferris**  
**The Rt. Rev. Charles Masters**  
**The Rt. Rev. Trevor Walters**

Further nominations may be received no later than September 14, 2012 by mail, fax or email to:

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There will be no nominations from the floor of the special Synod.

The requirements for a nominee are that they be:

1. A Bishop or Presbyter who has been in Holy Orders for at least 10 years
2. A Bishop or Presbyter within the Anglican Network in Canada, the Anglican Church in North America or in any Anglican Province that is in communion with the Anglican Church in North America.
3. A Bishop or Presbyter who is at least 35 years old.
4. A Bishop or Presbyter who fulfils the requirements of **Article 9.1** Concerning Requirements for Bishops According to Holy Scripture in the Canons of ANiC.

For further information on how to nominate a candidate, please contact the chair of the Nominating Committee.

The election process will be published later with the convening circular.

Join us in prayer, as we invoke the Holy Spirit to guide us.

On behalf of the Nominating Committee for the Episcopal Election

Claus Lenk  
Chair



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## Biographies

### The Rt. Rev. Ronald C. Ferris

I grew up to love God in a Christian home. After a few years away from the Church, I became involved with a youth group. God convicted my heart through hearing the Epistles preached. I committed my life to Christ, and at age 15 I had a clear inner calling to be a priest.

Jan and I were married and went to serve as lay workers in Yukon. Following ordination and theological studies in London, Ontario, we served in the isolated Gwitchin community of Old Crow. We were immersed in their rich culture and missionary history.

Following further studies, I became rector of a suburban parish in London. Through God's goodness and much teamwork, the parish grew from under 100 to over 400 per Sunday. As spiritual director, a diocesan Cursillo movement was launched. It grew to over 1000 participants, with a similar program for teens.

I was elected Bishop at age 35. Through 28 years, I served Yukon, then Algoma. I gained familiarity with over 100 parishes, and was blessed to ordain and mentor over 60 priests.

Our participation in 3 Lambeth Conferences was formative for us. We became enthusiasts for the Anglican Communion and the Global South. In 1998 I advanced the sub-section motion which was to become the foundational Lambeth Resolution 1:10.

Early in 2009, I joined ANiC to establish a new parish in Langley. As Assisting Bishop I was a signatory for the founding of the Anglican Church in North America. I gave court evidence on behalf of ANiC parishes in Vancouver. I have been active in the Church Planting Working Group and a keen supporter of Anglican 1000. My future goals are to support church planting and to mentor the next generation of leaders.

Jan and I have 6 grown children and 7 grandchildren.



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## **The Rt. Rev. Charles F. Masters**

Bishop Charlie Masters was born in 1951 into a wonderful Christian family, raised in Lennoxville, Quebec and later Guelph Ontario where he completed his high school and then graduated from University of Guelph in Physical Sciences in 1972. While at the University of Guelph +Charlie made a clear commitment to Christ which has changed everything ever since.

From 1972 to 1975 +Charlie worked for the Navigators at the UBC, Vancouver. While there, he received a Teachers' Certificate as a high school teacher, received a clear call to ordained ministry and met Judy who by December 1975 became his wife. Charlie and Judy have been best friends and partners in the gospel ever since. They are parents to Matthew who is married to Rachel, and Suzie who is married to Thomas, who have a son, Isaiah.

From 1975 to 1978 +Charlie did his theological training at St. John's College, Nottingham, England. While there +Charlie and Judy were fortunate to be able to participate in a number of very exciting churches which became for them a vision and model of thriving Anglicanism.

In 1978+ Charlie was ordained deacon and then in 1979 priest. He served as Curate at St. Luke's Burlington 1978-1980. In 1980 +Charlie was appointed rector of the Parish of St. George's Lowville and St. John's Nassagaweya and served there until 2008. From 2002 he was released part-time to serve as National Director of Anglican Essentials while continuing as rector of St. George's.

In February 2008 he and St. George's Lowville seceded from the Diocese of Niagara and were welcomed into the Anglican Network in Canada. In June 2008 he stepped down as rector to become Executive Archdeacon and later in 2009 along with Bishop Trevor and Bishop Stephen was consecrated and became a Suffragan Bishop of ANiC now serving in Eastern Canada as a Bishop and also as National Director under Moderator and Diocesan Bishop Donald Harvey. +Charlie has served in the Common Cause leading to the formation of ACNA as General Secretary and Vice Chair and now is a member of the ACNA Cabinet serving our Primate, Archbishop Duncan.



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## **The Rt. Rev. Trevor Walters**

Trevor Walters was born on July 3rd, 1949 in London, England. He came to know the Lord at age 15, began to attend a Baptist church and was mentored by a Plymouth Brethren teacher. Trevor attended Avery Hill College (London University), where he completed his qualification to teach high school. He specialized in Religious Studies and Physical Education. Trevor taught for two years before joining the Barnabas Fellowship, which was one of the first charismatic communities in the UK at that time. It was here that Trevor learned to pray for people in depth and was taught by inspirational leaders from around the world. Trevor spent his seminary days in Salisbury and Wells, an Anglo-Catholic College, due to its excellent relationship to Barnabas Fellowship.

Trevor was Ordained in Salisbury Cathedral in 1978 and sent to Calgary to serve as a Curate at a parish. The next four years of his life were spent studying courses in pastoral counseling. He was certified as a Specialist in Pastoral Counseling with CAPPE. In 1981, Trevor was honored to be chosen as the University Chaplain at the University of Calgary. After more coursework in counseling, Trevor joined the Doctor of Ministry program at the University of Edmonton and graduated in 1990.

In 1991, Trevor became the Rector at St. Matthew's Anglican Church in Abbotsford, Canada. He had the opportunity to serve on the Master of Theology Council at the University of Alberta, Edmonton, for the next five years.

In 2008, Trevor Walters was appointed the Chair of the Mediation Committee of the Anglican Church in North America, and in 2009, he became a Circuit Civil Mediator with the Supreme Court of Florida. He was consecrated Suffragan Bishop in ANiC in November of 2009. Since that time, Trevor has continued to preach, lecture and mediate extensively in the UK, Asia and North America.