

## Resolution #4

ANGLICAN COMMUNION PERSPECTIVE - **Whereas**, the 1998 Lambeth Conference declared that “the time has come for significant new initiatives in encouraging all diocese to develop companion relationships across provincial boundaries, as part of the process of developing the cross-cultural nature of the Communion,” and  
*(Resolution II.3 – Lambeth Conference 1998)*

ECUSA PERSPECTIVE - **Whereas**, the purpose of a companion diocese relationship is “to help strengthen the Anglican Communion through the direct experience of interdependence across cultural and geographical boundaries within the Body of Christ,” and  
*(Walking Together, The Companion Diocese Program of the Episcopal Church)*

DIOSEF PERSPECTIVE - **Whereas**, the convention-approved mission strategy of the Diocese of Southeast Florida calls for us to “Send them out,” i.e., to “organize, collaborate and expand our various missionary activities within and beyond our borders,” and  
*(Diocese of Southeast Florida – Mission Statement Detail for Strategy to “SEND THEM OUT”, diosef.org)*

**Whereas**, the new Assistant Bishop of Antanarivo and Area Bishop of Tulear in Madagascar, The Most Reverend Todd McGregor, and his wife, Reverend Patsy McGregor, are the only two full-time clergy missionaries from our Diocese who are serving internationally, now therefore,

**Be it resolved**, that the Executive Board work in conjunction with the Bishop of the Diocese of Southeast Florida and the World Mission Commission to establish a Formal Companion Relationship with the Diocese of Antanarivo, for the purpose of mutual encouragement and prayer for one another, intensified knowledge of and concern for one another, and the exchange of resources, both spiritual and material, and further,

**Be it resolved**, that an Annual Diocesan Appeal be established to financially support the McGregor’s ministry, and further,

**Be it resolved**, that our current Companion Diocese of The Bahamas and Turks and Caicos Islands, and the Diocese of the Dominican Republic, be encouraged to partner with us in this effort.

Proposed by the World Mission Commission