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# THE INTERNATIONAL ANGLICAN FELLOWSHIP—SPRING 2023



The Rt, Rev. Brian R. Marsh President of the IAF Board

### Dear Friends in Christ,

During our recent Board Meeting of the International Anglican Fellowship, I announced that I plan to step down as Board President at the end of this year. Over ten years ago, during an unsettled time in both the Anglican Church in America and the Traditional Anglican Communion, I was elected President of the IAF Board of Directors. When I assumed office, funds were at an alltime low, largely because lay and clerical members of the ACA were reluctant to give money to an organization that might enter the Roman Catholic Ordinariate, but also because of the perceived irregularities in the use of IAF funds.

Because of my long service, Father Ihde has asked that I write a column for this issue of **The Mission**, reflecting upon the story of the IAF during the past decade. For many, I suspect this history will be interesting indeed.

At the time of my election, the IAF was in crisis mode. Annual contributions had dropped to just over \$2,000. Not only had it become impossible for the IAF to fulfill its mission, the question of its very survival hung in the balance. Fortunately, we overcame these challenges largely because of the appointment of a new Executive Director, but also because we worked hard to restore faith in the IAF.

Shortly before Erv Lischke became Executive Director in 2013, the Board revamped its By-Laws. In order to maintain the highest level of integrity, we established the rule that Board membership would be restricted to those clergy and lay representatives of the TAC whose churches did not receive direct stipends or grants from the IAF. We also stipulated that no IAF funds be used to cover travel expenses. This had become a serious issue in previous years, when church leadership would routinely bill the IAF for international travel costs.

Erv Lischke, who served as Executive Director for nine years, introduced several programs that helped restore confidence in the IAF. The Sustaining Member program, for example, continues to provide a steady, reliable resource for our international missions. Because of our Sustaining Member contributions, we can more easily plan for mission support several months in advance.

Two years ago, Erv chose to retire as Executive Director. He had achieved a great deal during his time in office. As an experienced leader, he knew that providing for an effective transition to the next Executive Director would be essential. He and I share this view: it is not enough for us to succeed in building a thriving organization, it is also necessary for us to prepare for the future. Good leaders recruit and train their successors.

God has indeed been good to us. Father Ed Ihde volunteered to assume the responsibility of serving as Executive Director. Father Ihde has brought many gifts to this office. His commitment to mission is evidenced by the many projects he had undertaken in third world countries. Under his editorial expertise, "The Mission" has become an outstanding publication, one that displays the considerable work the IAF does throughout the world. He and Erv Lischke effected a smooth and virtually seamless transition between directors. It is the kind of transition that can occur when two devout Christians work faithfully to do the work of the church in a humble, prayerful and cooperative manner.

During the next several months, The Board and I will begin the process of electing the next President of the IAF Board. I am certain that God will send us an able, godly and committed individual who will help guide this wonderful organization into the future.

In closing, I would simply offer that it has been an honor to serve this fine organization over the past decade. The Board has offered the sincere commitment to mission that has fostered stability, integrity and growth. It is now time for me to embrace the fullness of my role as a Sustaining Member of The International Anglican Fellowship.

Faithfully in Christ,

+Brian

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# **GRANTS FULFILLED IN 2022**

Donations continued to add up in 2022 making it the most successful grant year Ever with over with over \$63,000 in disbursements

RECIPIENT	DISBURSEMENTS (USD)	PURPOSE	COMMENTS
CONTINUING ANGLICAN CHURCH OF ZAMBIA (CACZ)	\$6,000.00	RECURRING ANNUAL MISSIONARY GRANT	GRANT FUNDS TO ZAMBIA ARE HELD IN IAF ESCROW UNTIL NEW LEADERSHIP IS REORGANIZED
ANGLICAN CHURCH IN INDIA	\$6,000.00	RECURRING ANNUAL MISSIONARY GRANT	
TRADITIONAL ANGLO- CATHOLIC LATIN AMERICA PROVINCE	\$12,000.00	RECURRING ANNUAL MISSIONARY GRANT	
ANGLICAN CHURCH IN SOUTH AFRICA	\$8,400.00	RECURRING ANNUAL MISSIONARY GRANT	
DIOCESE OF PUERTO RICO AND CARIBEAN (DPRC)	\$4,200.00	RECURRING ANNUAL MISSIONARY GRANT	SUPPORT FOR DOMINICAN REPUBLIC CHURCHES
ACA DEANERY OF INDONE- SIA & PROVIDENCE ANGLI- CAN CHURCH IN INDONE- SIA	\$6,000.00	RECURRING ANNUAL MISSIONARY GRANT	SUPPORT OF PROVIDENCE ANGLICAN CHURCH JAKARTA, INDONESIA
ANGLICAN CHURCH IN AMERICA (ACA) SUN STAR MISSION SOUTH DAKOTA	\$1,100.00	ANNUAL ELECTRIC BILL PROPANE DESGINATED GRANT	MONTHLY ELECTRIC UTILITY BILL = \$96.00/MO
SAINT MARY'S CATHEDRAL IN CARACUS, VENEZUELA	\$2,400.00	DESIGNATED FUND FOR HUMANITARIAN AID	DEACON TONY
ANGLICAN CHURCH IN AMERICA—DIOCESE OF PUERTO RICO	\$6,000.00	DESIGNATED FUND FOR HURRICANE RELIEF	
POLISH CATHOLIC NATIONAL CHURCH IN POLAND	\$23,000.00	DESIGNATED FUND FUND FOR UKRAINE WAR RELIEF FOR REFUGEE RESETTLE- MENT	
ANGLICAN MISSION TO PA- KISTANI REFUGEES IN THAI- LAND	\$5,246.00	DESGINATED FUND FOR HUMANITARIAN AID TO THE CHURCH IN THAI- LAND	

Generosity and a desire to be a part of something that helps to fill a real need have resulted in a sustained growth of our Anglican Fellowship.

Many thanks to those who have helped make this possible:

An eight year snapshot

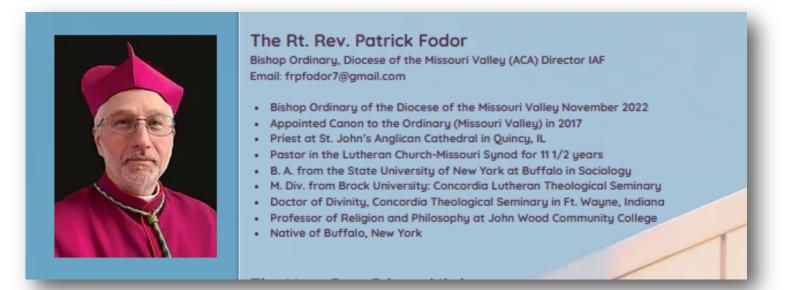
Year (beginning January Ist)	Number of Sustaining Members	Beginning Bank Balance
2016	41	\$14,680
2017	48	31,847
2018	51	32,747
2019	50	31,900
2020	51	36,900
2021	53	45,253
2022	62	62,355 <sup>2</sup>
2023	64	52,257 <sup>2</sup>

# <sup>2</sup>Includes the Ambler Baildon Trust Fund

During 2021, the IAF received a grant of \$36,326.00, through the Last Will and Testament of a former parishioner named Gordon Ambler, a businessman in the ACA Diocese of the Northeast.

# The IAF Announces a New Board Member

The Board of Directors of the **International Anglican Fellowship** voted to appoint the Rt. Reverend Patrick Fodor, Bishop Ordinary of the Diocese of the Missouri Valley as a permanent member of the Board of the IAF at our on-line meeting in January. We wish Bishop Patrick well in his new role with the IAF.



# **Greetings from Central America**

# From Archbishop Ruben Rodriguez



Muy Rev. Canonigo y Pbro. Edward Ihde, Director de IAF Le saludo en la presente Estación de Cuaresma y deseo éxitos en su actividad como publicista del periódico de IAF.

Damos gracias a Dios por todo el proceso de elección de Obispo Coadjutor de la Diócesis Anglicana de Centro América el ahora Obispo Carlos Enrique Zet Ramírez, nuestro Primado vino a la sede de nuestra Diócesis ya Provincia de TACLAP en América Latina a consagrar al nuevo Obispo. Agratitud a nuestro buen Dios u ala de ellas Colegios de Obispos de TAC.El Señor Arzobispo Janzen una gran giraben las principales parroquias en Guatemala y El Salvador, dejando una grata motivación en cada un de ellas para continuar adelante en la Obra del Señor en nuestra Iglesia Anglicana Continuantes. Nuestro cordial saludo a nuestros benefactores, por ver plasmada

en estás tierras de América Latina nuestra Iglesia Anglican Tradicional, orandoap para que los hermanos de Brazil puedan agregarse con nosotros en lasV tarea común en Unidad, saludos en Cristo. + Arzobispo y Dr. Rubén Rodríguez, Diocesano y Presidente de Taclap - TAC.

Very Rev. Canon Edward Ihde, Director of IAF I greet you in this Lenten season and wish success in your activity as publicist of the IAF newspaper.

We thank God for the whole process of election of Coadjutor Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of Central America now Bishop Carlos Enrique Zet Ramírez, our Primate came to the headquarters of our Diocese and Province of TACLAP in Latin America to consecrate the new Bishop. Gratitude to our good God or wing of the TAC Bishops' Colleges. Archbishop Janzen [took] a great tour of the main parishes in Guatemala and El Salvador, leaving a pleasant motivation in each of them to continue forward in the Work of the Lord in our Anglican Church Continuum. Our cordial greeting to our benefactors, for seeing embodied in these lands of Latin America our Traditional Anglican Church, praying that the brothers of Brazil may join us in the common task in Unity, greetings in Christ.

+ Archbishop and Dr. Rubén Rodríguez, Diocesan and President of Taclap - TAC.



Meeting of the Permanent Committee of Diócesis Misionera Anglicana of Central America at Parish of the Holy Spirit (Headquarters of TACLAP)





Albertino de Sousa Barre and Reverend Miquil Ambrocio. Special Interview with Primate and after which we hada special meeting with the rest of bishops and clerics of TACLAP Consecration of Carlos Zet who became Auxiliary Bishop. The sublime consecration rite was officiated by TAC Primate Archbishop Shane Janzen, Archbishop Juan Garcia from ACA, and Archbishop Ruben Rodriguez from TACLAP







met with two young men from Santiago Apóstol congregation

TAC Primate Shane Janzen and ACA Archbishop Juan Garcia greeting the Santiago Apostol congre-



At the Parish of Holy Spirit (Headquarters of TACLAP)

With possible new members who came from Sonsonate El Salvador to attend the consecration

# **BELOW:**

TAC Primate Shane Janzen offered a special Dinner to the Bishops of TACLAP and Clerics who were visiting from Brazil.





TAC Primate Shane Janzen got the opportunity to visit different Missions of TACLAP.

He gave the blessing on every single visit of our Mission churches.

This photo was taken at Mission San Jose Mixco.

# MIXCO, GUATEMALA



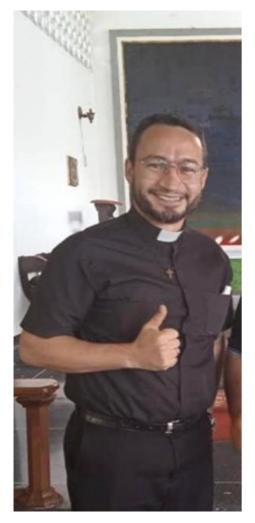


# THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CARACAS "SAINT MARY'S CATHE-DRAL" LOCATED IN **VENEZUELA / SPRING 2023**

Our Mission:

The people of the Church of the "Saint Mary's Cathedral" (The Anglican Church of Caracas), follow the light of Christ in our daily lives, coming to Him with the gifts of our own unique treasures and talents as Catholic individuals. We have met with the direction of the Holy Spirit as church to evaluate our work, to share our worries and to look for solutions to improve our work.

# The Church for Spring 2023, Report of pastoral activities from our Deacon Freddy Liendo:



We began with the month of September, on the 8th Her Majesty Elizabeth Il died, it is good to remember that our Church "St. Mary's" was built by the English-speaking community in Venezuela, and the diplomatic delegation of be the attention to couples who come the United Kingdom receives particular to want to get married, and find in our attention, I was present at the Embassy, and thus closed the Book of Condolences, we also did a modest and simple corresponding liturgical religious service in our temple, which also served as a reunion between the English and Spanish speaking communities, including those who had not attended our facilities for a long time.

Some of our parishioners have continued to be absent, expressing different reasons, the most common being physical distancing and protecting their health in the face of new outbreaks of the COVID-19 corona virus pandemic.

When the month of November arrived, I had the honor of being invited to the residence of the United Kingdom ambassador, to attend an act of celebration on the occasion of Remembrance and War Veterans Day; It was a very nice sharing. Most of those who came to greet me showed signs of affection, implying something like "Even though we don't go to the church frequently, you are our parish priest". In the same way, in later days, we had "Remembrance Sunday and Veteran's Day" in the Church, a bilingual service that served to see again those who, for Word of God and Communion to those one reason or another, have not frequented the Church again.

Already in the month of December, focused a little more on children, we have proposed some activities for their religious formation, which they do with great joy when their school holidays arrive during the Advent and Christmas seasons; We also had the "Nine Lessons and Carols" with a brief sharing typical of the season, and which also served to meet people who have not attended Church. During this time I have also visited some sick people, to bring them the Word of God and comfort in their pain, both in their homes (being the most frequent in poor areas of Caracas) and in public and private hospitals, highlighting our neighbor the Tamanaco Clinic, better known as Urológico "San Román", children's area of the Oncological Hospital "Luis Razetti" and the Hospital "Vargas" of Caracas.

The most recurring activity continues to Church in Caracas

church a beauty and a peace that entraps them to celebrate there their sentimental union with the religious imprint, as well as the liturgical richness that they find at the attendance of our regular religious services; One of the couples contacted me through a family that I visited in El Hatillo. They were thinking of getting married in the gardens of a house, but they preferred our church, to which the Bridegroom donated the new light bulbs that light from the center of the Church.

Similarly, we have received invitations to pray at home, especially accompanying the Holy Rosary as a family, particularly in the face of the loss of a relative; Some of them sincerely stated that they turned to us given the closeness and familiarity they feel with our particular Church, something that they do not find in other congregations. part of these people have begun to attend Services in our Church.

We have pending visits to a nursing home located on the outskirts of the metropolitan area (El Hatillo Municipality), since they have not found anyone who will dedicate time to bring the who require it, emphasizing that it remains in an area difficult to access by public transport.

I have had great approach with the community of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, who rent the church to congregate on Saturdays, to which they have invited me to different celebrations that they have had.

I have also had the opportunity to share frequently with the support group Alcoholics Anonymous, which was the first to arrive in Venezuela, being brought by a priest of American origin; and that they supported us with the printing and placement of the notice that is at the entrance of the Church facilities (covering all those expenses themselves), which is why I

took the opportunity to re-digitize and update the shields (both of the



as of the Traditional Anglican Church) and take them to high resolution formats to be shown in high quality from now on, which has also served for documentation, the Sunday sheets that I prepare and the liturgical summaries that I publish in the different social networks.

Another medium-term project is scheduled for next July, when the son of one of the few people who attends our Religious Services in the Church, along with others represented, will have their High School Graduation; This promotion requested to have a Blessing for its achievement in this culminated stage, to carry out the act of delivery of titles in the spaces of the terrace that separates the church from the parish house, and the sharing of celebration in the multipurpose room located under the church; for which they promised to donate new light bulbs for the stairs, a cistern charge for the water tank, and some additional economic collaborations.

To continue having consecrated hosts and wine, I have relied on a priest brother of the Anglican Catholic Church, who has an established a mission in Caracas.

I have also restored pieces of table linen for liturgical use, such as: a cover for the body and a white chalice veil, a pall used to cover the chalice; just as I have placed colored ribbons to use the Common Prayer Book (white for Morning and Evening Prayer, red for Holy Communion, blue for Opening Prayer and readings, green for Psalms). All these expenses have been covered with the financial aid that I receive from the "International Anglican Fellowship".

Another long-term project is to digitize in its entirety the 1928 Common Prayer Book in Spanish, which I have been advancing each time I prepare the liturgical sheets and the aforementioned publications; and thus the virtual format will serve to share them with



other Spanishspeaking communities, since only the English version is available on the Internet. In addition to this, which is the most practical way to spread the message of the Gospel, and despite the fact that I share my sermons by sending them directly through WhatsApp, many people like my sermons; but there are still few who come to the Church to receive Communion and listen to the mass in person. Our situation is still affected by the number of parishioners who once attended and collaborated in all the activities of the Church butvare now no longer in Venezuela, greatly reducing the number of our parishioners.

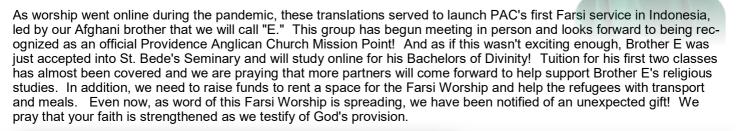


# **NEWS FROM INDONESIA**

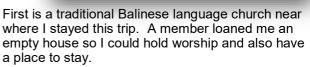
### From Nanci Long:

As mentioned in our Christmas newsletter, the ministries in Indonesia are re-opening and reimagining, post pandemic. Connecting on the ground this past November, encouraged our hearts and opened our eyes to new possibilities. Unexpected challenges can be met with increased faith as we watch what God is doing!

Of most immediate praise is the growth (in depth and scope) of the Farsi Worship Service. Early in its ministry, God opened doors for Providence Anglican Church to serve the refugee population in Indonesia, especially Farsi speakers from Afghanistan and Iran. Jim began a weekly Saturday night worship service with the sermon translated side by side into Farsi. Jim asked a few of the refugees who excelled in English to begin a written translation of the Anglican Morning and Evening Prayer, Holy Communion, and eventually the modern Anglican catechism into modern Farsi.







[T] Here I pose at the ocean just five minutes from the new seminary the Deanery of Indonesia is developing to train Indonesians for holy orders. With me is my first Iranian member in Bali, Kourosh, who escaped from Persia after being jailed for conversion.

[L] We pose with some local Balinese villagers who helped us find out contact and get our bearings.



# **A VISIT TO BALI—SPRING 2023**



I noticed after worship that Buddha was seated at the foot of the cross behind where I preached and gave Holy Communion to some Iranian refugees, a Javanese, and an expat Brit newly returned to Christ after a long wandering.





Deacon Aan prepares for worship, with the glass bowl ready for the baptism of a Chinese baby who has been waiting patiently for my visit. The young Iranian to my left was baptized just this year after Kourosh had patiently shared Christ with him for a long while. I asked him to tell his story, and it went back to his childhood when he was won't to watch movies about Jesus. He always felt a keen love and affection for our Lord as he watched. Kourosh, aided by our pastor Aan from Java, helped him on to the point of decision.



Scottish expat Stephen stands by his Javanese wife as she shares the story of her conversion from the main religion of the Islands. Presently, her 18 year old daughter is preparing to follow her mother and step father's footprints.



# THE TRADITIONAL ANGLICAN CHURCH LOCATIONS AROUND THE WORLD

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# **The Sustaining Member and Steward Programs**

# **Sustaining Members**

The IAF Sustaining Member program was begun in 2012 as a tool to formally recognize those churches and individuals that support the Fellowship on a recurring basis. For example, if one of the line items in a church budget contains a donation to the IAF, that church is eligible to become a Sustaining Member. Similarly, individuals or families who desire to provide support on a regular basis can be recognized as Sustaining Members.

This program helps to give the IAF Board of Directors an idea of how to plan distribution of donated funds for TAC missionary projects and to target those projects that are most in need. As a token of appreciation, Sustaining Members are presented with a wall plaque (shown to the right) . . . a tangible example of commitment and caring.



As of January 2022, the following churches, families, and individuals are a part of our Sustaining Member family.

# Diocese of the Northeast, ACA, USA:

Church of the Good Shepard, Charlestown, New Hampshire St. Margaret of Scotland, Conway, New Hampshire Trinity Anglican Church, White River Junction, Vermont Trinity Anglican Church, Rochester, New Hampshire Olde St. Paul's, Portland, Maine St. Thomas, Ellsworth, Maine St. Luke's, Amherst, New Hampshire St. Luke's, Amherst, New Hampshire St. Matthias, Mystic, Connecticut St. Elizabeth's, Tuxedo, New York Holy Redeemer, Canandaigua, New York St. Nicholas, West Seneca, New York St. Nicholas, West Seneca, New York Anglican Church of the Resurrection, Camden, Maine The Anglican Church of the Transfiguration, Mechanicsville, Maine Holy Cross Anglican Church, Webster, New York Anglican Church of the Resurrection, Camden, Maine

# Diocese of the West, ACA, USA:

St. Augustine Anglican Church, Hamilton, Montana All Saints Anglican Church, Fountain Valley, California St. Mary of the Angels, Hollywood, California St. Francis, Portland, Oregon

# Diocese of the Eastern United States, ACA, USA:

St. Stephen's, Timonium, Maryland

St. George's Columbus, Georgia

St. Peter's Anglican Church of East Palatka, Florida

St. Barnabas, Picayune, Mississippi

# Diocese of the Missouri Valley, ACA, USA:

Trinity Anglican Church, Prairie Village, Kansas

St. Patrick, Hurst, Texas

St. John's Cathedral, Quincy, Illinois

St. Augustine's of Canterbury, Topeka, Kansas

St. Dunstan's Church, St. Louis Park, Minnesota

St. Aidan's Anglican Church, Des Moines, Iowa

### Anglican Catholic Church of Canada:

The Cathedral Church of St. John the Evangelist, Victoria, British Columbia All Saints', Calgary, Alberta Church of the Resurrection, Edmonton, Alberta St. Barnabas, Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan Holy Trinity, Medicine Hat, Alberta

### Anglican Church in South Africa:

St. Andrews, Johannesburg

# Anglican Church of Western Australia:

Saint Andrew's Parish, Lesmurdie, Western Australia Saint Peter's Parish, Booragoon, Western Australia

### Anglican in North America (ACNA)

Church of the Word, Gainesville, Virginia

# The Episcopal Church (ECUSA)

Saint Francis in the Valley, Green Valley, Arizona

### Independent Churches (USA)

Church of the Epiphany, Phoenix, Arizona

### Individuals and families in:

Chulmleigh, Devon, England Scarborough, Maine Brackettville, Texas South Strafford, Vermont Belchertown, Massachusetts Ivoryton, Connecticut Middleton, Connecticut Peterborough, New Hampshire Nashua, New Hampshire Alstead, New Hampshire Scarborough, Maine Brewer, Maine Buffalo, New York Canandaigua, New York Camden, Maine Portland, Oregon Huntington Beach, California Los Angeles, California Waukesha, Wisconsin Catalus, Georgia Lawrence, Kansas Lexington, South Carolina Lilburn, Georgia Deland, Florida Scottsville, Kentucky Abbottsford, British Columbia, Canada Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, Canada Des Moines, Iowa Kalamunda, Western Australia Assiniboia, Saskatchewan, Canada



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# Stewards

The IAF Steward program has been established as a management tool and communication link between the Board of Directors (specifically, the Executive Director) and members of various TAC churches and organizations. Working with the IAF Executive Director, Stewards (who are volunteers) assist the Board by maintaining contact with and funneling IAF related information to the churches and individuals in their home dioceses. This includes distribution of newsletters, collection of donated funds, and information concerning the IAF mission and planning goals. They also field questions regarding IAF operations and help identify candidates for the Sustaining Member Program. Currently, we are pleased to have seven active Stewards:

The Very Rev. Merrill Perkins, Diocese of the Northeast, ACA Darlene Peacock, Diocese of the West, ACA Sarah Albert, Diocese of the Missouri Valley, ACA Laura Ewald, Diocese of the Eastern United States, ACA The Rev. Glenn Galenkamp, Diocese of Canada West, ACCC The Rev. Cn. Doug Nicholson, Diocese of Canada East, ACCC Jenny Gill, Diocese of Pretoria and South Africa The Rev. Canon Brian Tee, Diocese of Western Australia

# THE **INTERNATIONAL ANGLICAN FELLOWSHIP** HAS A NEW WEBSITE (CURRENTLY IN BETA TESTING)

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