

**A Charter Between The Episcopal Church in the Philippines (ECP)
and the Episcopal Church (TEC)**
(Amended)

PREAMBLE

In obedience to the cause of Christ in mission, the Episcopal Church in the Philippines (ECP) and The Episcopal Church (TEC) celebrate the communion we share with the Provinces of the Anglican Communion. We rejoice in our common history and heritage, recommitting ourselves to the principles of interdependence and unity in Christ. Likewise, we renew our commitment to the apostolic mission of God as we pray and worship, as we live and proclaim the Gospel, and as we bear witness to God's justice, peace, and love within our respective Provinces and throughout the world.

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO PROVINCES

The Episcopal Church in the Philippines (ECP) and The Episcopal Church (TEC) hereby renew a common commitment to full companionship in mission as equal, interdependent, and autonomous partners.

- Each partner province will respect the culture and social context in which the other lives and ministers.
- Each partner province will be to the other a resource for program and mission, by sharing experience and hope, and by collaborating in ministry.
- Each partner province will respect and consider, as occasions for shared learning, the other's liturgy, catechism, music and song, governance, mission priorities, theological perspectives, and actions of synodical councils.

JOINT COMMITTEE

Each partner province will maintain a panel of up to four persons appointed in a manner consistent with its own internal guidelines, to constitute a Joint Committee on Provincial Companionship (ECP-TEC). The Joint Committee will:

- periodically review the Charter to ensure that it accurately reflects the current and evolving vision for the partner province relationship;

- develop, monitor, and review an action plan to accompany the charter, establish goals for our common ministry; and
- meet every 24 months alternatively hosted by each partner province.

EFFECTIVITY

This Charter shall become effective for six years when approved by the Synod or the Executive Council of The Episcopal Church in the Philippines (ECP) and the General Convention or the Executive Council of The Episcopal Church (TEC), after which it shall be thoughtfully reviewed and reconsidered.

Proposed by the Joint Committee on Provincial Companionship (ECP-TEC)
October 26, 2016, Honolulu, Hawaii

The Rt. Rev. Robert Fitzpatrick
The Rev. Robert “Moki” Hino
Dr. Sheryl Kujawa Holbook [absent]
The Rev. James Simons [absent]

The Rt. Rev. Brent H.W. Alawas
The Rev. Fr. Constancio Abuggao
Ms. Bridget B. Lacdao
Dr. Braille Van B. Reyes

Date of Action: ECP Executive Council November 17, 2016

Date of Action: TEC Executive Council _____

Signed this 18th day of February, 2017 at the National Cathedral of St. Mary and
St. John, Cathedral Heights, Quezon City:

The Most Rev. Michael Curry
Presiding Bishop, TEC

The Most Rev. Renato M. Abibico
Prime Bishop

Witnessed:
