

Moving Forward in Being a Multicultural Church

1. To adopt the 3rd Sunday in July (or another date best suited to the local setting) as 'Intercultural Neighbouring Sunday', to celebrate UCA being a Multicultural Church and to create an opportunity for congregations and faith communities to connect and build relationships with culturally and linguistically diverse communities in their neighbourhoods. This Sunday is to replace One Great Sunday of Sharing*.
2. To request the Assembly Standing Committee to develop a process to create liturgical, theological, and practical materials as resources for the wider church in its celebration of Intercultural Neighbouring Sunday and seeking to be an Intercultural Neighbourhood Church within the current triennium, in consultation with National Conferences and relevant Assembly Circles.
3. To request the Assembly Standing Committee, liaising with other parts of the Church, to move towards simpler, friendlier, and more equitable church structures, processes, and ways of working that foster CALD participation and intercultural partnership by:
 - a. Reviewing the NATIONAL PROPERTY POLICY FOR THE UCA with regard to clause 1.2.: "Where a UCA congregation is sharing property with a non-UCA congregation, Faith Community or Fellowship Group"; and,
 - b. Reviewing the Regulations relating Faith Communities (3.9.2) and produce an Assembly Protocol/Guideline for receiving/recognising Faith Communities/Congregations from other CALD churches.
4. To encourage Synod Placement Committees and Presbytery Pastoral Relation Committees to review and revise the Minister Leadership Profile Form and Congregation Placement Profile and other key reporting and review documents to reflect the ethos and characteristics expressed in Living with the Neighbour Who is Different (9th Assembly, 2000) and One Body Many Members: Living faith and life cross culturally (13th Assembly, 2012).