

Anglican Communion Francophone Network: Report to ACC17

The Network exists to tie together francophone Anglicans from around the world, numbering some four million. We work to share and create resources in the French language in order to further the mission of our provinces.

The members of the Network are those provinces that are completely or partially francophone. The primates name the representatives:

L'Église Épiscopale du Burundi
Le Diocèse de Cameroun (Afrique de l'Ouest)
La Province de l'Église anglicane du Congo
Le Diocèse de Guinée (Afrique de l'Ouest)
L'Église Épiscopale de Haïti (TEC)
Le Diocèse de Montréal (Canada)
La Province de l'Océan indien
Le Diocèse de Québec (Canada)
La Province du Rwanda

The Network meets more or less triennially: 1997, 2000, 2003, 2005, 2008, 2012. Since then financial and political difficulties have prevented another meeting. We plan to reconvene the office this year and the Network before the Lambeth Conference 2020.

The Network's long-term projects continue to evolve:

- The Anglican Bible in French, using the translation « La Bible en français courant », with the Montreal Bible Society
- The translation of the entire Folger Library edition of the *Laws of Ecclesiastical Polity* of Richard Hooker, by les Éditions du Cerf, Paris
- The new translation of the Book of Common Prayer (TEC), used by some provinces
- A collection of hymns, and a collection of liturgical resources
- Broadcasting via internet "Magazine anglican" a monthly radio program for francophones on Anglican topics

And other actions:

- Participation of Network members in a support committee for the Province du Congo, especially for the troubled areas in the east of that country, and more recently in the Kasai province.
- Create an English-French glossary to help translators furnish documents in French
- Salutes the "Actualités" page on Episcopal News Service, and offers technical help; and salutes especially the page by the same title of the Anglican Communion News Service..

The Francophone Network of the Anglican Communion continues to ask whether there is need of other linguistic Networks of the Communion, e.g., Spanish, Swahili.

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