



Eastern Synod
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The Rev. Susan C. Johnson, National Bishop
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada
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Dear Bishop Susan:

Subject: Petition the National Church Council

Delegates to the June 26 to 29, 2014 Convention of the Eastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada meeting in Toronto, ON were delighted that you were able to return to the Eastern Synod and be present at Assembly 2014. Each time you join with members of our Synod, it feels like a homecoming!

You were present when the delegates passed the following motion:

That the Eastern Synod in Assembly petition the National Church Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada to develop a social statement or policy resolution to address concerns related to the criminal justice and correctional systems in Canada.
(ES 14-14)

We understand that other Synods have forwarded similar requests to the NCC. We ask that the NCC will take appropriate action.

Thank you.

With all of God's blessings,

Sincerely,

The Rev. Dr. Michael J. Pryse, Bishop, Eastern Synod, ELCIC
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Cc: The Rev. Dr. Greg Mohr, Bishop, British Columbia Synod, ELCIC
The Rev. Dr. Larry Kochendorfer, Bishop, Synod of Alberta and the Territories, ELCIC
The Rev. Sydney Haugen, Bishop, Saskatchewan Synod, ELCIC
The Rev. Elaine Sauer, Bishop, Manitoba/Northwestern Ontario Synod, ELCIC