

Information Sheet: Resources on our engagement with the Bible from Continuing Indaba

We all read Scripture, but we don't all understand it in the same way. Our context has an impact on the way we read and interpret Scripture. The structures of our families, whether we are rich, poor, or somewhere in between, and if we come from places where there are separations in society based on class; all of these things, and many more, affect our relationship with the Bible.

Our hermeneutic, then, is the way we interpret the Bible; and all of the factors above shape and define our hermeneutic. It is often difficult, however, to describe exactly where and how our context affects our hermeneutical model. In the papers linked below a few of the authors attempt to highlight a particular hermeneutic. The rest, on the other hand, are examples of a faithful Christian applying his or her hermeneutic. Indaba asks participants to try to understand one another's contexts. Often, understanding where the "other" is coming from makes their motives less questionable and you begin to understand where a difference came from.

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Collection for the Saints in Jerusalem: A Paradigm for Church Partnership in the 21st Century Robinson Kariuki Mwangi; Kenya
Talking and Listening in the Anglican Communion: A Reading of Proverbs 18:13 in the Ghanaian Life and Thought – Kojo Okyere; Ghana
Re-reading Luke 4:39-9:51: Towards healing and repenting of the historic patriarchy of the Christian faith – Miranda N. Pillay; South Africa
Local vs. Global Church – Fr. George Okoth; Tanzania
The Philippian Model – Rev. Canon Philip Groves; UK
The Bible and Polygamy in Tanzania - Rev. Mote P. Magomba; Tanzania
Models of Conflict Resolution from the Pentateuch and the ANE: Aspects of Pentateuchal Indaba and Resolutions from Selected Writings- Dr. Zebedi A. Muga; Kenya
Struggle for Power and Conflict Resolution in the Bible – Charles Mwihambi; Tanzania
Humility in the Context of Conflict: A Study of Philippians 2:1-11 – Rev. Canon Ernest Ndahani; Tanzania
Flight—Beginning of the Listening Process: A Study of the Encounter Between Hagar and Sarah – Rev. Dr. Emily Awino Onyango; Kenya
Peace, Not as the World Gives: Biblical Models for Conflict Resolution – C.B. Peter; Kenya.
Indaba and Scripture- Abp. Thabo Makgoba; S. Africa.

