



Commission for Theological Education in the Anglican Communion (CTEAC)

CTEAC Resources Bulletin

November 2024

Welcome to the November 2024 edition of the CTEAC Resources Bulletin, your source for updates, initiatives, and resources from the Commission for Theological Education in the Anglican Communion (CTEAC).

In this issue, we highlight the progress of theological resource development following the Lambeth Conference's call to action. From the success of the recent workshop in Kenya, which brought together theological educators from across Africa, to new opportunities like the Formation for Enabling Ministry online programme and the upcoming Lincoln International Doctoral

Studentship, this bulletin showcases efforts to equip leaders with the tools needed to address today's challenges faithfully and effectively.

We also share updates, including the UN's "Faith for Rights" initiative and a forthcoming publication on theological education in South and Southeast Asia. With resources available in multiple languages and a continued commitment to empowering theological educators worldwide, CTEAC is here to support your ministry and mission.

Resources workshop takes place in Kenya

In 2022 the bishops at the Lambeth Conference asked theological educators to develop training resources on specific themes for use across the Anglican Communion. This has begun to take place, with the Reconciliation and Intentional Discipleship working groups having published materials on the Anglican Communion website – <u>click here</u>

CTEAC is also working with partner bodies across the Anglican Communion to organise regional workshops for developing contextually appropriate resources for their region. The first of these has now taken place, in Kenya in July 2024, for the African region. Here is the group, who were joined by Bishop Anthony Poggo the Secretary General of the Anglican Communion for a commissioning service at the end of the workshop:



This was a collaborative consultation, with a cross-section of theological college principals and bishops responsible for theological education in Africa. The consultation set in motion the process of provinces and colleges developing their own resources for training ordained and lay leaders in intentional discipleship, safe church and safeguarding, science and faith, the journey from slavery to freedom, and reconciliation. The use of such resources will help Anglican churches across the region prepare their leaders to confidently face the challenges and opportunities of our times through expressing the Five Marks of Mission in different ways. The consultation represented an important stage in the journey that began with the publication of the Lambeth Calls and is leading to their concrete implementation at grass roots level across the Communion in years to come.

Similar consultations are being planned for Asia and the Pacific, the Americas, and Europe. The consultation was hosted by CAPA (Council of Anglican Provinces in Africa), in partnership with CTEAC, supported by Global Partnerships and USPG.

Formation for Enabling Ministry

David Heywood

How can we be confident that we are training ministers with the skills to equip others for discipleship and service in all the spheres of everyday life? This is a

question addressed by an online learning programme called Formation for Enabling Ministry, which provides an easily accessible guide to the understanding and skills needed for this crucial task. You can find it by <u>clicking here</u>. It consists of around 50 hours of self-directed study, using a variety of readings, videos and learning exercises. A 15-minute introductory video describing the programme is available as part of the unit called 'Start Here'.

Because self-directed study is difficult to maintain alone, the early months of 2025 will provide an opportunity to join an international learning community studying the programme together, sharing insights and providing mutual encouragement. The community will involve five Zoom meetings between January and April and the opportunity to join a WhatsApp group. This is the third year the community has taken place. Feedback from previous years has been overwhelmingly positive. One theological college principal in Australia wrote, 'From one educator to two others, I'm enormously grateful for what you're doing here. It's SO well put together and has such tangible value (can't be said for every educational endeavour!) so I'm genuinely honoured to be part of this.'

The Zoom calls, from 7:30-9:00pm UK time, are a facilitated conversation with the course author (Revd Dr David Heywood), and LICC's theological education consultant (Dr Dave Benson), to help you process what you're learning and apply it to your context. The dates and times are these:

- 6 Jan: course welcome, and discuss intro video (call 7:30-8:30pm only)
- 3 Feb: discussing FEM stage 1, units 1-4
- 3 March: discussing FEM stage 2, units 5-8
- 31 March: discussing FEM stage 3, units 9–10
- 28 April: discussing FEM stage 3, units 11–12

To join the community, <u>register here</u>. We look forward to meeting you!

UN Faith for Rights

The United Nations has a "Faith for Rights" programme. This UN initiative recognises the influence of faith leaders in shaping societal norms and behaviours. It aims to use this influence to promote a deeper understanding and respect for

human rights, grounded in the ethical and moral teachings shared across various faiths.

It seeks to educate faith leaders on human rights matters, through dialogue, workshops, and collaborative projects. For more information on how your educational institution might engage with this programme, contact:

Dr Michael Wiener, <u>michael.wiener@un.org</u> Anita Trimaylova, <u>anita.trimaylova@un.org</u>

Further information and a 'tool kit' are available here:

OHCHR and the "Faith for Rights" framework Faiths for Rights Academy

The Lincoln International Doctoral Studentship

The Lincoln International Doctoral Studentship will be available from September 2025 for 3.5 years. There is <u>full information available here</u>.

- Please note that the closing date to apply for a place on the PhD programme is 13 January 2025.
- Please note also that the closing date for applying for the Studentship is 3
 February 2025.

Potential applicants are welcome to contact Peter Scott: peter.scott@manchester.ac.uk

New book coming soon

New Wine in New Wineskins: Theological Education in South and Southeast Asia

Edited by Dr Muthuraj Swamy, with papers from the Bangalore Consultation of 2023. To be published by United Theological College, Bangalore and the Anglican Communion Office, 2025.

Contact the CTEAC Staff Team

Stephen Spencer, Adviser on Theological Education and Lambeth Conference Implementation, based at the Anglican Communion Office in London stephen.spencer@anglicancommunion.org

Paulo Ueti, Adviser on Theological Education for the Anglican Communion, based in Brazil paulo.ueti@anglicancommunion.org

Muthuraj Swamy, Project Manager for Theological Education for Mission, based at the Cambridge Centre for Christianity Worldwide, UK muthuray.swamy@anglicancommunion.org

Rachel Parry, Commissions and Networks Support Officer, based at the Anglican Communion Office in London rachel.parry@anglicancommunion.org



16 Tavistock Crescent London England W11 1AP GB

<u>Unsubscribe</u> | <u>Change Subscriber Options</u>