SPECIAL AGENDA IV

DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTIONS

CHALLENGING SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING
(GS 2246A AND GS 2246B)

Mr Alistair Bianchi (Durham) to move:

10 ‘That this Synod:

(a) acknowledge the leading role that Her Majesty’s Government has played internationally in challenging slavery; and

(b) ask Her Majesty’s Government to introduce legislation to ensure proper provision for the ongoing support and protection of trafficked minors is enshrined in law.’

The Ven Alastair Cutting (Southwark) to move:

23 ‘Leave out paragraph (b) and insert –

(b) encourage all dioceses, deaneries, and parishes in the Church of England to raise awareness of modern slavery in our communities in the UK and internationally, working with the resources from partners such as the Church of England’s Clewer Initiative and others.

(c) encourage equipping individuals and congregations to address this evil by calling on dioceses and Theological Education Institutions to embed modern slavery training at all levels including IME, CME and safeguarding training; and building on this resourcing, to
i. offer services to victims and survivors
ii. seek to identifying potential victims of modern slavery in the community, including through activities hosted on church property (particularly in social action projects), and
iii. support organisations which already provide services to help people leaving exploitation and/or with preventative work;

(d) ask that the issues of challenging human trafficking and modern slavery are raised at the global gathering of bishops of the Anglican Communion at the 2022 Lambeth Conference, and that the conference consider the international Church’s role in tackling injustice and violence around the world and address the factors which create vulnerability to exploitation; and

(e) call on all individuals to pray regularly for victims and survivors of modern slavery and for those organisations working to help and support them both in the UK and overseas, that we may come closer to fulfilling Jesus’ injunction to ‘proclaim release to the captives’.

REPORT OF THE REVIEW OF CLERGY REMUNERATION (GS 2247)

The Bishop of Hereford to move:

11 ‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

GOD’S PEOPLE SET FREE: LIVING AS MISSIONARY DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST IN THE WHOLE OF LIFE TO BRING TRANSFORMATION TO THE CHURCH AND WORLD (GS 2248)

12 Presentation under SO 107

Dr Jamie Harrison (Durham) to move:

13 ‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’
Mr Adrian Greenwood (Southwark), pursuant to SO 105(6), to move a further motion arising out of item 13 as follows:

24 ‘That this Synod, recognising the vital importance of the Setting God’s People Free Report, 2017 (GS 2056) - ‘the Report’ - and thanking God for all those involved in the work of implementation carried out to date, as summarised in GS 2248, commit itself, in the power of the Holy Spirit, to work and pray for the continued implementation of the culture changes sought in the Report as a high priority within the Church’s vision and strategy for the 2020s.’

Group work

Vision and Strategy: being a church of missionary disciples in the whole of life (GS Misc 1307)

Not later than 6.00 p.m.

14 QUESTIONS

7.00 p.m. Evening Worship