

ARC/NORTH AMERICA  
An Overview

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I. ARC/CANADA

1. Anglican/Roman Catholic Dialogue of Canada
  - initiated 1970
  - meets 3 or 4 times yearly
  - agenda parallels ARCIC subjects
  - response to ARCIC Final Report: response to SCDF Observations : preparation of study guide
  - Lima document
  - mixed marriages
  - moral questions
2. National ARC Bishops' meetings
  - meet once a year
  - fraternal contact
  - subjects: recognition of baptism
    - : mixed marriages
    - : ecclesiological questions
    - : pastoral issues
    - : Final Report
3. Regional ARC Bishops' meetings, e.g. Quebec
4. Regional ecumenical leaders conferences (Alberta, Ontario, Saskatchewan)
  - "how to grow together"
  - preparing Week of Christian Unity

II. ARC/CARIBBEAN

- contacts in and through local and regional councils of churches; e.g. Caribbean Conference of Churches (C.C.C.)
- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

III. ARC/UNITED STATES

1. Anglican-Roman Catholic Consultation U.S.A.
  - initiated 1965
  - 27 sessions to date, meetings every 8 - 9 months
  - significant statements:
    - a. Statement of Goals (12/69) "restoration of full communion and organic unity"
    - b. Methodological principles (1/72)
    - c. Agreed Statement on the Purpose of the Church (10/75)
    - d. Twelve-Year Report (8/77)
    - e. Reflections on Christian Anthropology (2/83): providing a context for the discussion of such difficult questions as the role of Mary, the ordination of women, sexual imagery

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- F. comments on ARCIC statements/elucidations  
- Special Consultation on Ordination of Women (6/75)
2. Meetings of Anglican and Roman Catholic Bishops (1979-80):  
shared reflections on life and ministry of a bishop
  3. Leaders Conference (6/81): bringing together of national lay  
and ordained leaders; several resolutions proposing further  
collaboration; especially at national level
  4. Task Force on Spirituality (6/82)
  5. Joint meetings and studies of ARC diocesan ecumenical officers:
    - a. The Lived Experience: A Survey of U.S. ARC Covenants (4/79)
    - b. Tale of Three Cities: Ogden, Louisville, Tidewater: A Study  
of U.S. ARC Covenants (3/80)
    - c. ARC Marriages: A Study of U.S. Couples Living Episcopal.  
Roman Catholic Marriages (5/81)
    - d. Pastoral Care for ARC Couples: Models for Ministry to  
Engaged and Married Couples (4/82)
    - e. Pastoral Perspective on Baptism in ARC Families (5/83)
  6. Joint and separate response to ARCIC Final Report