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UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA. RECORDS OF UNION COMMITTEES. – 1925-1984. – 3.48 m of textual records.

The United Church of Canada has always sought the widest possible union of Christian communions, and a Committee on Negotiations with other Communions with a view to Union was instituted in 1926 at the first General Council. Apart from negotiations with some smaller Churches leading to unions (Wesleyan Methodist Church of Bermuda, 1930 and the Evangelical United Brethren, 1968), most of the union activity had been directed towards an organic union with the Anglican Church of Canada and the Church of Christ (Disciples). Beginning in 1943 the United Church Commission on Reunion, the successor body to the Committee on Negotiations, entered into earnest consultation with the Anglican Church which continued for thirty years.

The United Church Commission on Reunion was made up of smaller subcommittee groups of fifteen members, and also five representatives to report to the fifteens, which held joint meetings with corresponding Anglican Committee on Reunion members. In 1950, the Commission was renamed the Commission on Union and by 1959, subcommittees were organized to include discussions with the Evangelical United Brethren. By 1968, the Evangelical United Brethren formally joined the United Church of Canada.

In 1969, the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Canada formally joined union talks alongside the United and Anglican Churches. Generally, talks up to this point attempted to formulate a general basis of union, although study guide materials were created. In 1958, a Montreal sub-committee produced "Outline Scheme of Union," which became an initial working paper for a basis of union, however, such development never arose at the national level. While cooperation continued along local and regional lines, union development stalled until the mid-1960s when the "Principles of Union" put forth by the joint union committees was officially accepted by the Anglican church of Canada in 1965 and the United Church in 1966. Thus, in 1967, the General Commission was established along with five special commissions focusing on their respective fields: Church in the World, Legal, Constitution, Liturgical, and Doctrine. Reverend Robert B. Craig of the United Church and Canon Ralph Latimer of the Anglican Church acted as Executive Commissioners. Besides those on the commission, critiques and opinions on matters of union were openly sought after from members of various denominations and theological backgrounds as part of the consultation process. International and ecumenical perspectives were also actively incorporated into the General Commission, including the World Council of Churches and foreign church bodies.

After initially releasing drafts and seeking input, the General Commission formally endorsed their document, the "Plan of Union," in November of 1972 and presented to the churches in February of 1973. This officially ended the General Commission. The Committee on Church Union and Joint Mission (CUJM), led by Rev. Craig, took over continued union collaboration and revisions of the Plan of Union through to 1974. In early 1975, however, the Anglican Church rejected this basis of union, never reaching a congregational vote, and withdrew from joint union work. Discussions between the United Church and the Christian Church (Disciples) continued through the Joint National Committee on Union Negotiations until talks ended in 1985.

Fonds consists of Series 1: Committee on Negotiations with Other Communions with a View to Union, 1925-1940; Series 2: Commission on Reunion, 1942-1968; Series 3: General Commission, 1965-1975, predominantly 1968-1972, Series 4: Church in the World Commission, 1967-1971; Series 5: Constitutional Commission, 1967-1972, Series 6: Doctrinal Commission, 1967-1972, Series 7: Legal Commission, 1967-1972, Series 8: Liturgical Commission, 1967-1972; Series 9: Committee on Church Union and Joint Mission, 1973-1974; Series 10: Joint National Committee on Union Negotiations, 1976-1984; Series 11: Records Relating to Legislative Process, 1965-1969; Series 12: Records of United Church General Secretaries Relating to Union, 1944-1973; Series 13: Records of A.B.B. Moore Relating to Union, 1969-1972; Series 14: International and Ecumenical Perspectives On Union, 1969-1976.

Record materials consist of meeting minutes, reports, correspondence, draft versions of reports and publications, promotional materials, as well as papers on union documents and other theological subject matter that were debated and discussed through joint work and the general consultative process. Records primarily relate to union proceedings at the national level through committee operations, although this includes correspondence with local and regional groups. Many subseries' include papers and other resource materials that may consist of essays, briefs, policy statements, drafts, addresses, as well as may have small amounts of general correspondence. These "resource" files have been described at the item level, providing author surnames and other titles, and have been arranged by date and alphabetically. Records belonging to this series also includes personal correspondence directly relating to church union of a few United Church of Canada staff; as well as with ecumenical organizations that also participating in facilitating discussion of church union with denominations worldwide.

The bulk of records found in this fonds belongs to accession 1985.093C, initially organized as an "inter-church" collection relating to union with the Anglican Church of Canada that was originally processed in 1981 (formerly Finding Aid 197). In 2017, these records underwent reappraisal and updated arrangement and description as shown in this finding aid. See also Appendix A for the earlier administrative history of that accession written in 1981.

See also records held in the General Council fonds (500); the Evangelical United Brethren Conference fonds (250); the United Church Union Collection (521); and the personal papers of Gordon A. Sisco fonds (3198); Ernest E. Long fonds (3293), and the A.B.B. Moore fonds (3680).

See also library catalogue for printed materials related to church union, including committee reports and publications by other groups such as United Church Women.

See also the Anglican Church of Canada Archives; the Presbyterian Church in Canada Archives.

Abbreviations used in this finding aid:

ACC – Anglican Church of Canada
CCDOC – Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
COCU – Committee on Church Union
EUB – Evangelical United Brethren
RECIC – Reformed Episcopal Church in Canada
UCC – United Church of Canada
WCC – World Council of Churches

SERIES 1: COMMITTEE ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH OTHER COMMUNIONS WITH A VIEW TO UNION. --1925-1940.

Series consists of Committee minutes, reports and correspondence between the United Church and the Anglican Church, the Evangelical United Brethren, and the Reformed Episcopal Church in Canada, as well as a transcript of an interview by C.E. Silcox.

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1982.291C	1-1	Committee minutes, reports, and correspondence	1925-1940
	1-4	---	1926-1928
	1-2	--- (RECIC) – minutes and correspondence	1926-1928
	1-6	--- (RECIC) - reports	1926
	1-3	Correspondence, legal documents [copy of property records] (CCDOC)	1928-1933
	1-11	--- - minutes(UCC/EUB)	1933
1985.093C	1-1	Correspondence of UCC General Council re: formation of committee with ACC based on World Alliance for Promoting International Friendship through the Churches and notice of meeting	1926
1996.035C	1-9	Correspondence re: UCC/EUB	1930; 1933-1936
1985.093C	1-6	Interview: Rev. J.E. Ward, author of "A Canadian National Church," by Rev. C.E. Silcox	1931

SERIES 2: COMMISSION ON UNION. --1942-1968.

Series consists of records, including minutes, reports, and correspondence, relating to the Commission on Union (formerly Committee/Commission on Reunion) and corresponding Joint and other (sub) Committees; records relating to Basis of Union Agreements with the African Methodist Episcopal Church, the British Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Reformed Episcopal Church in Canada; as well as publications and study materials, including "Growth In Understanding" and the "Principles of Union...", Canadian Evangel magazine, Christian Reunion Movement newsletter; as well as papers and other resource materials.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
		<u>Records Relating to the Committee on Union</u>	
1985.093C	1-14	Committee on Union – minutes [Includes Committee on Union (UCC), Executive, and Joint Meetings (UCC/ACC)]	1942-1946
1985.093C	1-15	Committee on Union - minutes	1947-1959; 1966
1982.291C	1-7	Committee on Union - minutes, reports, and correspondence [minutes consists only for meeting between UCC and the Baptist Federation of Canada only, 1947]	1947-1948
1982.206C	1-7	Committee on Union (UCC) - minutes	1960-1965
1985.093C	3-5	--- - reports to General Council	1948; 1950; 1952; 1956; 1958
	3-6	Committee on Reunion (ACC) - reports (various)	[1949-1955]
	3-11	Report re: Committee of Inter-Church Relations	1947; 1948
	1-17	Membership lists [various]	[194-?]
	2-1	Commission correspondence	1941-1943
	1-18	---	1941-1943
	2-2	---	1944-1945
	2-3	---	1946

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	2-4	---	1947
	2-5	---	1948
	2-6	---	1949
	2-7	---	1950-1951
	2-8	---	1952-1953
	2-9	---	1954-1955
	2-10	--- (Jan. – Aug.)	1956
	2-11	--- (Sep. – Dec.)	1956
	2-12	--- (Jan. – Jun.)	1957
	2-13	---	1957-1958
	2-14	---	1959-1960
	1-5	--- re: union between Polish National Catholic Church of America and the ACC [single record] <u>Records Relating to Joint and Other Committees</u>	1955
	1-16	Committee of Ten (UCC) - minutes	1963
	1-12	Joint Committee of Fifteens – statement (UCC/ACC)	1949
	1-11	Joint Committee of Fives – minutes (UCC/ACC)	1948-1953
	1-13	Joint Committee of Tens – minutes (UCC/ACC)	1947; 1962-1966
1982.206C	1-4	Joint Committee of Tens – minutes	1961-1964
	2-3	Joint Committee on Union(UCC/ACC) - proposals, reports, various papers, correspondence	1961-1965
1996.053C	1-11	Joint Committee on Union (UCC/EUB)- minutes [includes Basis of Agreement]	1944-1948
	1-2	---	1964-1968
1982.291C	1-5	--- - reports, correspondence [includes 1964 E.U.B. Canada Conference “Venture in Faith” program book]	1959; 1964
	1-9	Joint Committee of Twelve (UCC/EUB) [file consists of one meeting minutes, May 9, 1967]	1967
1985.093C	1-2	Basis of Agreement and correspondence re: African Methodist Episcopal Church union with UCC	1947-1948
	1-3	--- re: British Methodist Episcopal Church union with UCC	1947-1948
	1-4	--- re: RECIC union with UCC	1949-1950
1982.206C	1-2	Publication “Growth In Understanding” – chapter drafts, correspondence	1961
1985.093C	3-8	Study Guide – The Principles of Union Between the ACC and the UCC - prepared by R. Chalmers [includes letter to Committee members for request for comments]	1965
1996.035C	1-10	Magazine - <i>The Canadian Evangel</i> clippings; miscellaneous material (EUB)	1947-1968

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Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
1998.097C	TR-2	<i>Christian Reunion Movement</i> Newsletter [incomplete]	1958-1960
	TR-3	The <i>Christian Reunion Movement</i> : A Brief Review of Background and Purpose <u>Papers, Briefs, and Other Committee Resource Material</u>	[1958?]
1985.093C	3-1	Papers, briefs, and other Committee resource materials:	1944-1957
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anglican Resolutions with Reference to Reunion, 1956 	
		Papers, briefs, and other Committee resource materials cont.:	1944-1957
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dowden, J.: The Celtic Church in Scotland, typed excerpts from 1894 book Fairweather, E.G.: Comments on the 'Report from the Committee on Reunion' Fisher, G.F.: Canterbury Speaks, [excerpt from address of Archbishop in Boston] General Synod, Office of the Primate: Joint Letter from the Primate [ACC] and the Moderator [UCC] Hunt, H.R.: The Building of the Body of Christ, New Delhi and Christian Unity Palmer, R.F.: Memo Polity of the United Church of Canada Review of Conversations on Reunion, 1943-1957 --- – Draft 	
		[The United Church]	
	3-10	---:	1944
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed Basis of Union [Protestant Episcopal Church and the Presbyterian Church – United States] 	
	3-2	---:	[ca.1943-1957]
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Proposed Scheme of Church Union in Ceylon Dixon: Memo on Episcopacy Presented to Montreal Reunion Study Group, 1956 Future of Ordination – Draft Memo: House of Bishops Memo: On Full Communion Memo: On Congregational Property Memo: Regarding Conversations between the ACC and the UCC, 1943 	
1985.093C		Papers, briefs, and other Committee resource materials cont.:	

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Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
	3-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Memo: UCC Board of Evangelism and Social Service, 1946 • Notes for a Preliminary Discussion on Negotiations with the [ACC] • Palmer, R.F.: The Federated Church • Sisco, G.A.: The Problem of Order – Draft • [Suggested changes to manual pages] • Wilson, B.A.: A Documentary Resume of the Negotiations between the ACC and the UCC Looking Towards a Reunited Church 	
		---:	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barrow, O.G.: Anglican and United Church: Learning How to Live in Community, A Pilot-church Experimental Station • Fisher, G.F.: [typed presentation given for CBC Our Special Speaker program, 1954] • Freeman, E.G.: The UCC and the Ordination of Ministers • G.D./M.L.T.: Practical Relationships • Johnson, G.H.: The Unification of the Ministry in the Lanka Scheme – The North India-Pakistan Plan • Palmer, R.F.: [Statements – various] • ---: United Church – Draft • Pierce, L.: The Report on Reunion • Sisco, G.A.: An Approach to Episcopacy • ---: Memo on the UCC and Episcopacy • [Untitled paper re: ministry] 	
1985.093C	3-3	Papers, briefs, and other Committee resource materials cont.:	1957
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Montreal Study Group: An Outline Scheme of Union between the ACC and the UCC 	
	3-4	---:	[195-?]
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commission on Reunion – Report: “...To Study the Procedure Whereby Our Two Ministries Can Be Conferred Each Upon the Other and Related Questions of Mutually Recognised Membership in Each Communion with Attached Papers Bearing on Particular Points of the Common Problem” [includes draft copy] 	

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1982.206C	2-2	---: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fairweather, E.G.: Principles of Organizational Unity: An Anglican Brief Joint Committee: Working Paper on A Plan of Unity Latimer, R.: Nature of the Church Mathers, D.M.: Working Paper on a Plan of Unity: Comments on Section 1. The Basis of Unity Owen, D.R.: A General Presentation of the Working Paper ---: Episcopacy and Apostolic Order Wright: Anglican Paper on Section I: The Basis of Unity ---: Anglican Paper on Section II: The Unification of Ministries Statement of Principles: The Unification of Ministries and Organizational Union 	1961-1965
1998.097C	TR-1	Papers, briefs, and other Committee resource materials cont.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fearon, D.S.: Comparison between the Thirty-Nine Articles of Religion of the Church of England and the Twenty Articles as found in the Basis of Union of the United Church of Canada 	[196-?]
1982.206C	1-3	---: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anglicanism and Non-Conformity in Canada 	[1965?]

SERIES 3: GENERAL COMMISSION RECORDS. --1965-1975, predominantly 1968-1972.

Series consists of the following nine distinct subseries: subseries 1: Administrative records, 1967-1975; subseries 2: General Commission Subject Files, 1966-1975, listed alphabetically and includes records related to publications, joint projects, consultations and other records; subseries 3: General Files Relating to the UCC General Council and the ACC General Synod, 1968-1972, listed by date and alphabetically; subseries 4: Correspondence, 1965-1975, includes General Commission administrative correspondence as well as correspondence with Conferences and with Joint Study Groups, listed alphabetically by region name; Subseries 5: General Commission Subcommittees, 1965-1975, listed alphabetically; subseries 6: Financial Records, 1968-1975; Sub-subseries 7: Printed Materials re: Plan of Union, 1972, including drafts, correspondence, and promotional supplements; subseries 8: Publicity Materials, 1968-1972, including print, radio and television; and subseries 9: Papers, Briefs, and other General Commission Resource Materials, 1968-1974.

SERIES 3\Subseries 1: Administrative Records. --1967-1975.

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2013.023C	1-3	Minutes	1967-1969
	1-4	---	1970-1972

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	1-1	Executive minutes	1967-1969
	1-2	---	1969-1972
1985.093C	4-6	Reports [various]	[1967-1970]
	21-12	---	1969
2013.023C	1-11	---	1969-1975
1985.017C	1-4	---	1969; 1975
	1-13	---	1972-1973
1982.206C	1-1	Membership and nominations lists, correspondence, clippings	1967-1969
2013.023C	1-5	General information, reports etc.	1971-1973

SERIES 3\Subseries 2: Subject Files. -- 1966-1975.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
2013.023C	1-7	'3' Churches	1968-1975
	1-12	Addresses (various)	1972
1985.093C	7-13	Church Union Sunday re: inauguration of new church – responses, correspondence, briefs	1970
	7-7	Consultation on Doctrine – reports, memos, briefs, correspondence	1971
	7-8	--- - correspondence	1971
	7-9	--- ---	1971
	7-14	Consultation on Joint Work on Common Issues [includes workshop submissions from groups on joint action projects]	1972
	8-1	Consultation on Mission for the Mid-70s – minutes, reports, correspondence	1971-1972
	6-5	Covenant of Union - copy	1970
1985.093C	8-3	Ecumenical Church School Pilot Project (Rosedale, Toronto) re: request for Commission funding	1971
	14-1	"Human Zone" joint ecumenical project (Kerrisdale, Vancouver)	1970
	7-6	Publication Guide - "Declaration of Faith"– draft copies [see also File 18-9]	[197-?]
	6-2	Study Guide - Principles of Union and Study Groups' – reports, response and correspondence	1966; 1970-1971
2013.023C	1-8	Statistics (church)	1968-1970
1985.093C	7-4	Religious orders in ACC	1972
	6-3	Voting procedures for consummation of church union - reports and correspondence [see also the Task Force on Legal Matters File 22-1]	1968-1972

SERIES 3\Subseries 3: General Files Related to the UCC General Council and ACC General Synod. -- 1968-1972.

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1985.093C	4-13	General files: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACC - declarations and information re: marriages, revised • Correspondence re: joint meeting of General Synod and General Council • Correspondence re: meetings • Correspondence – misc. • Craig, R.: Observations on General Council and union • ---: Remarks concerning union negotiations to General Council • Lambeth Conference (Britain) • Latimer, R.: Address to General Council, August 1968 • ---: Survey of Resolutions of General Commission on Church Union • ---: Remarks concerning union and Lambeth Conference • Ministry of UCC re: common law relationships 	1968
	4-14	---: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budgets for UCC departments and church union committees • Reports and correspondence – misc.(Jan.-Apr.) • Report – Bucharest Conference, 1935, re: relations with Anglican Communion 	1969
	4-15	---: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bell, S.: Alternatives to Union, Commission's response • Reports and correspondence (May-Jul.) – misc.[includes Sudbury Meeting of General Synod] • Report – R. Latimer as executive commissioner to ACC with synopsis of General Synod resolutions to union since 1943 	1969
1985.093C	4-16	General files cont.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence re: ACC and Biafra • Brochure on Guidelines on Bishops • DeRoo, Bishop R.: Address to General Synod • General Synod re: actions taken on union negotiations • Mutchmor, J.: Fat Cat Churches Doomed • Primate's Theme Address "The Changing Ministry" to General Synod • Reports and correspondence – misc.(Aug.-Dec.) 	1969

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Report – Task Force on the Episcopacy of ACC 	
	5-1	---:	1970
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correspondence re: meetings of General Council and General Synod Memos and reports 	
	5-2	---:	1971
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correspondence General Council/General Synod joint discussions Report – Consultation on the Promotion of Church Union, May 1971 Report – General Council 	
	5-3	---:	[1971?]
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UCC Berkley Studios – Script Plan of Union – First Draft, presented to General Council 	
	5-4	---:	1971
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correspondence Correspondence and memos re: explanation of union plans to General Council/General Synod (Jul.-Dec.) Chart and explanation of ACC organizational structure 	
	5-5	---:	1972
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ACC consolidated financial statement Correspondence and memos re: explanation of union plans to General Council/General Synod 	

SERIES 3\Subseries 4: Correspondence. —1965-1975.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	5-6	Correspondence	1965-1966
	5-7	---	1966-1967
	10-12	---	1966-1969
	5-8	---	1968
	5-9	---	1968
	5-10	--- (Jan.-Jun.)	1969
	5-11	--- (Jul.-Dec.)	1969
	10-13	---	1969-1971
	5-12	--- (Jan.-Jun.)	1970
	5-13	--- (Jul.-Dec.)	1970
	5-14	---	1971
	11-30	---	1972
1982.291C	1-8	--- re: ACC	1961-1973
1985.093C	7-10	--- re: CCDOC	1968-1970

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Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
	7-11	---	1971
	7-12	---	1972-1973
	4-1	--- re: Commission membership	1967-1968
	4-2	---	1969-1970
	6-1	--- re: briefs and union consultations	1967-1968
	4-3	--- re: Observer/Consultants to General Commission	1968
	4-4	---	1969
	4-5	---	1970
	22-13	--- re: CBC "Man Alive" television program and other publicity [see also 1985.093C, 14-8]	1969-1970
	7-5	Correspondence re: mutual recognition of ministers	1971-1972
	10-11	--- re: international church union and ecumenical movement [includes churches in New Zealand, India, United States etc.]	1970-1971
	4-7	Memos [various]	1968
	4-8	---	1969
	4-9	---	1970
	4-10	---	1971
	4-11	---	1972
	6-6	---	1970; 1975
	6-7	---	[1970-1975]
		<u>Correspondence with Conferences</u>	
1985.093C	11-14	Correspondence with Conferences: Alberta Conference	1968-1971
	11-15	---	1972-1973
	11-16	---: British Columbia Conference	1968-1969
	12-1	---	1969-1971
	11-7	---: Hamilton Conference	1968-1970
	11-8	---	1970-1971
	11-9	---	1970-1973
	11-10	---: London Conference	1968-1970
	11-11	---	1970-1973
	11-12	---: Manitoba Conference	1968-1972
	10-15	---: Maritime Conference	1968-1971
	10-16	---	1970-1972
	11-3	---	1970-1973
	11-2	---: Montreal and Ottawa Conference	1968-1971
	11-1	---	1970-1971
	11-4	---	1971-1973
	10-14	---: Newfoundland Conference	1968-1972
	11-13	---: Saskatchewan Conference	1968-1973

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	11-5	---: Toronto Conference	1970-1971
	11-6	--- ---	1972-1973
		<u>Correspondence with local Joint Study Groups</u>	
	12-2	Joint Study Groups – list of contacts	[1969-1972]
	12-3	Joint Study Group: Arcola/Estevan	[1969-1972]
	12-4	---: Algoma	[1969-1972]
	12-5	---: Arvida/Dolbeau	[1969-1972]
	12-6	---: Assiniboia	[1969-1972]
	12-7	---: Avalon/Avalon, Burin, Trinity-Conception	[1969-1972]
	12-8	---: Battleford	[1969-1972]
	12-9	---: Belleville	[1969-1972]
	12-10	---: Birtle	[1969-1972]
	12-11	---: Brandon	[1969-1972]
	12-12	---: Bruce/South Saugeen	[1969-1972]
	12-13	---: Calgary	[1969-1972]
	12-14	---: Cariboo/Tweedsmuir	[1969-1972]
	12-15	---: Carman/Pembina, Tiger Hills	[1969-1972]
	12-16	---: Chignecto/Amherst	[1969-1972]
1985.093C	12-17	Correspondence with Local Joint Study Groups cont.: Cobourg/Durham-Northumberland	[1969-1972]
	12-18	---: Cochrane	[1969-1972]
	12-19	---: Coronation	[1969-1972]
	12-20	---: Cyprus Hills/Cyprus	[1969-1972]
	12-21	---: Dartmouth	[1969-1972]
	12-22	---: Dufferin-Peel-Halton/ Peel	[1969-1972]
	12-23	---: Edmonton	[1969-1972]
	12-24	---: Edmonton North	[1969-1972]
	12-25	---: Edmonton South	[1969-1972]
	12-26	---: Elgin	[1969-1972]
	12-27	---: Essex	[1969-1972]
	12-28	---: Foothills	[1969-1972]
	12-29	---: Frankford, Batawa/St. Peter, Cobourg	[1969-1972]
	12-30	---: East Fraser/ Yale	[1969-1972]
	12-31	---: Fredericton	[1969-1972]
	12-32	---: Haldimand-Norfolk/Haldimand	[1969-1972]
	12-33	---: Halifax/Halifax-Tangier	[1969-1972]
	12-34	---: Halton West/Halton	[1969-1972]
	12-35	---: Hamilton	[1969-1972]
	12-36	---: Humber Bay/St. George and Humber, St. Barbe	[1969-1972]
	12-37	---: Hawkesbury	[1969-1972]
	12-38	---: Huron-Perth/Perth	[1969-1972]

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	12-39	---: Inverness/Guysborough	[1969-1972]
	12-40	---: Kamloops/Okanagan	[1969-1972]
	12-41	---: Kenora, Rainy River/ Keewatin	[1969-1972]
	12-42	---: Kent	[1969-1972]
	12-43	---: Kingston	[1969-1972]
	12-44	---: Kootenay	[1969-1972]
	12-45	---: Lindsay/Victoria, Haliburton	[1969-1972]
	12-46	---: Middlesex	[1969-1972]
	12-47	---: Montreal/Central Montreal	[1969-1972]
	12-48	---: Moose Jaw	[1969-1972]
	13-1	---: Niagara/Lincoln, Welland	[1969-1972]
	13-2	---: Northland North/The Pas	[1969-1972]
	13-3	---: Northland South/Dauphin	[1969-1972]
	13-4	---: Oshawa	[1969-1972]
	13-5	---: Ottawa	[1969-1972]
	13-6	---: Owen Sound	[1969-1972]
1985.093C	13-7	Correspondence with Local Joint Study Groups cont.: Oxford	[1969-1972]
	13-8	---: Peace River/Peace River-Grand River	[1969-1972]
	13-9	---: Peace River	[1969-1972]
	13-10	---: Peterborough	[1969-1972]
	13-11	---: Pictou/Amherst and St. George's	[1969-1972]
	13-12	---: Portage LaPrairie/Minnedosa	[1969-1972]
	13-13	---: St. John/Lancaster-Kingston-St. John	[1969-1972]
	13-14	---: St. Paul/Edmonton	[1969-1972]
	13-15	---: St. Stephen	[1969-1972]
	13-16	---: Saskatoon	[1969-1972]
	13-17	---: Seaway Valley	[1969-1972]
	13-18	---: Simcoe	[1969-1972]
	13-19	---: Southminster, Trinity Church	[1969-1972]
	13-20	---: South Shore/Hubbards, Port Mouton	[1969-1972]
	13-21	---: Stormont	[1969-1972]
	13-22	---: Sudbury	[1969-1972]
	13-23	---: Superior	[1969-1972]
	13-24	---: Sydney/Cape Breton	[1969-1972]
	13-25	---: Temiskaming	[1969-1972]
	13-26	---: Trail (T.E.A.M.)	[1969-1972]
	13-27	---: Toronto/Parkdale-St. James, Eglinton	[1969-1972]
	13-28	---: Toronto East/Toronto West, Scarborough	[1969-1972]
	13-29	---: Toronto West/Toronto West, Etobicoke	[1969-1972]
	13-34	---: Truro/Amherst, Avon	[1969-1972]
	13-30	---: Vancouver South/Fraser	[1969-1972]

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Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
	13-31	---: Victoria, Comox-Nanaimo	[1969-1972]
	13-32	---: Waterloo	[1969-1972]
	13-33	---: Westminster/New Westminster	[1969-1972]
	13-35	---: Woodstock	[1969-1972]
	13-36	---: York/York, York Mills	[1969-1972]
	13-37	---: Yorkton/Pelly	[1969-1972]

SERIES 3\Subseries 5: General Commission Subcommittees. –1965-1975.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	6-8	Subcommittee on Agenda	1972
	7-3	Subcommittee on Convent of Union	1970
	8-2	Subcommittee on Cooperation of the Three Negotiating Churches – minutes, reports, correspondence	1971-1973
	8-7	Subcommittee on Guidelines for Local Cooperation	1970
	8-8	--- (Jan.-Apr.)	1970
	8-9	--- (May-Jun.)	1970
	8-10	--- (Jul.-Dec.)	1970
	8-11	--- re: ecumenical projects sample	1970-1971
	8-12	---	1971
	8-13	---	1972
	8-4	Subcommittee on Intercommunion	1965-1967
	8-5	---	1968
	8-6	---	1969-1971
	6-18	Subcommittee on Joint Study Groups [See also General Commission correspondence files with local Joint Study Groups]	1968-1972
	6-10	Subcommittee on the Name of the Church - correspondence	1968-1970
	6-11	--- --- (Jan.-Feb.)	1971
	6-12	--- --- (Mar.-Jun.)	1971
	6-13	--- --- (Jul.-Dec.)	1971-1972
	6-14	--- - reports, briefs, memos	1970-1971
	6-15	Subcommittee on Planning - minutes	1971-1973
	6-16	Subcommittee to Prepare Guidelines	1967
	6-17	Subcommittee on Publishing	1972
	9-1	Subcommittee on Revision of the 'Plan of Union' [also called Drafting Committee]– minutes and correspondence	1970
	9-2	--- ---	1971-1972
	9-3	--- ---	1972
	9-4	--- Team #1	[1972]

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Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	9-5	--- Team #2	[1972]
	9-6	--- Team #3	[1972]
	9-7	--- Team #4a	[1972]
	9-8	--- Team #4b	[1972]
	9-9	--- Team #5	[1972]
	9-10	Subcommittee on Revision of the 'Plan of Union' – minutes and correspondence Team #6	[1972]
	9-11	--- Team #7, #8	[1972]
	9-12	--- - Preliminary Draft of 'Plan of Union'	1972
	9-13	--- - 'Plan of Union' edit copy	1972
	6-19	Subcommittee on Study Guide	1971
	6-20	---	1970-1971
	7-1	Subcommittee on Terms of Reference	1972
	7-2	Subcommittee Task Force on Future Policy	1972
	6-9	Subcommittees in Various Regions [re: studying specific aspects of Plan of Union]	1970-1971

SERIES 3\Subseries 6: Financial Records. --1968-1975.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	6-4	Budget and financial statements	1968-1973
2013.023C	1-6	---	1968-1975

SERIES 3\Subseries 7: Printed Materials re Plan of Union. –1972.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	10-1	'Plan of Union' – Draft copies	[1972]
	9-14	--- - First Draft copy	1972
	9-15	--- - original Eskimo translation	[1972]
	10-3	Correspondence re: reactions	1972
	10-2	--- re: printing	1972
	10-8	--- ---	1972
	10-9	--- ---	1972
	10-10	--- re: cataloguing and collating	1972
	10-5	Brochure: "Questions on Church Union"	[1972]
	10-6	---: "Introducing the Plan of Union"	[1972]
	10-7	'Plan of Union First Draft – Study Guide'	[n.d.]

SERIES 3\Subseries 8: Publicity Materials. --1968-1972.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
	13-38	Church Union Kit [includes brochures and pamphlets]	[1971]

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Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	24-8	Biographical files and résumés solicited from Commission members	1970
	14-6	Interview with R. Craig for publication	[1971]
	14-7	Poster and correspondence re: Plan of Union	1971
	14-2	Correspondence re: "Living Message" ACC magazine	1972
	14-3	Correspondence, drafts, memos re: publicity in various church magazines [including United Church Observer, Credo, Churchman etc.]	1968-1970
	14-4	--- (Jan.-Jun.)	1971
	14-5	--- (Jul.-Dec.)	1971
	14-8	Correspondence, press releases, memos re: publicity in print, radio and television media [see also 1985.093C, 22-13]	1968
	14-9	---	1969
	14-10	--- (Jan.-May)	1970
	14-11	--- (Jun.-Sep.)	1970
	14-12	--- (Oct.-Dec.)	1970
	14-13	---	1971

SERIES 3\Subseries 9: Papers, Briefs and Other General Commission Resource Materials, 1967-1974.

1985.093C	3-12	Papers, briefs, and other Commission resource materials: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACC House of Bishops reply to C.C. Landon • A Provisional Design for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Kansas City, MI • Beaton, E.: Education within the Congregation, Oct. 1968 • Davidson, P.: The Eucharist – Memorial or More? Talk to Anglican and UC Members of Westmount, March 1967 • Grant, J.W.: Functions of the General Commission on Church Union, Apr. 1968 • Johnston, G.: Church Structure, Local and Diocesan, Feb. 1968 • ---: confidential draft re: ministry and ordination, to General Commission executive, Apr. 1968 	1967-1968
	3-12 cont.	Papers, briefs, and other Commission resource materials cont.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Johnston, G.: The Consultation in a World Context – Address to 7th 	1967-1968

		<p>Consultation on Church Union, Drayton, Ohio, March 1968</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joint Committee on Church Union: The Faith We Affirm Together, Feb. 1968 • Landon, C.C.: An Appeal to the Anglican Theologians of the General Commission on Union • R. Latimer: How the Churches are Growing Together, May 1968 • ---: How Union Is To Be Promoted • ---: Remarks Regarding Lambeth Conference • ---: Section I, The Holy Spirit and Catholicity of the Church; Section II, Renewal in Mission; Section V, The Worship of God in a Secular Age; Section VI, Towards New Styles of Living, Nov. 1968 • Moore, A.B.B.: The Task of the General Commission, Oct. 1968 • Some Suggestions for Promoting Church Union 	
	3-13	<p>---:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Berry, W.: Church Union: Organic or Federated • Crocket, B.T.A.: Action Oriented Concerns, Nov. 1971 • Discussion of Examples of ACC/UCC Cooperation • Goring, V.: Worship in the Proposed Church of Christ in Canada, May 1974 • Jay, E.: Comparison of ACC/RCC Doctrine of Ministry and that of Plan of Union, Apr. 1974 • Keating, J.J.: ACC/UCC Negotiations and the RCC, Apr. 1969 • Meditation, Apr. 1969 • Pristl, J., G. Langevin: A Brief Catholic Appreciation of the Declaration of Faith 	1969; 1971-1972; 1974
1985.093C	3-13 cont.	<p>Papers, briefs, and other Commission resource materials cont.:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposal for Ottawa Office, Jan. 1969 • Ream, P., E. Thain: Report of the Task Force on the Office, Function, and Term of the Moderation, Sept. 1971 <p>Report – National Consultation on Theological Education, ACC, Nov. 1972</p>	1969; 1971-1972; 1974

3-14	---	[1967- 197-?]
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brief from "youth" • Chart of the UCC • Father Superiors' Address • Hay, D.: The Adventures and Misadventures of the Presbyterian Doctrine of the Holy Ministry • Kimmitt, D.: Working Paper on the Parish • Preparation for the Implementation of Union • Problem re: Recognition of Memberships • Ryan, S.: On Saying the Creeds • Synod of the Diocese of Qu'Apelle and others re: union 	

SERIES 4: CHURCH IN THE WORLD COMMISSION. --1967-1971.

Series consists of minutes, reports, membership, correspondence and papers and other resource materials of the Church in the World Commission.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	14-14	Minutes	1968-1971
	15-3	---	1968-1969
	15-4	---	1969-1971
	14-16	Reports	1968-1971
	15-1	Reports and correspondence	1968-1970
	15-7	Report – Living Ecumenism	1969
	15-2	Terms of Reference	[1967]
	15-5	Commission membership and correspondence	1968-1970
	14-15	Task Force #6 and #7	[n.d.]
	15-6	Lay Partnership Task Force (Clergy)	1968
1985.093C	15-8	Mission outline	[n.d.]
	15-13	Correspondence	1967-1969
	15-9	--- re: public concerns	1968-1969
	15-10	--- ---	1969-1970
	15-11	Papers, briefs, and other Commission resource materials: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crysdale, S.: The Church's Social Witness in Canada: A Functional, Historical Approach • Burnett, W.J.: Address concerning World Service, Nov. 	1968

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|-------|-----|---|--------|
| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deutsch, J.: Address on the role of the church in the world, June • Gaulteieri, A.: Christianity and Other Religion, Nov. • ---: Church as Prophetic Community, Nov. • Hutchinson, G.M.: The Relation of Experimentation to Church Law and Hierarchy, Nov. • Report – Task Force #6, Nov. | |
| 15-12 | --- | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church in the World, Reflections on the Constitutional Commission • Gualtieri, A.: Church as a Community of Service • Lee, J.R.: The Church and the Truly Human | [1969] |

SERIES 5: CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION. --1967-1972.

Series consists of minutes, reports, membership, constitution documents, and correspondence of the Constitutional Commission.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	15-14	Minutes	1968
	15-15	---	1969
	15-16	---	1970
	15-17	---	1971
	15-18	---	1972
	16-3	Meeting agendas and correspondence	1967-1968
	16-4	---	1969-1970
1985.093C	16-5	---	1970-1971
	16-6	Meeting agendas and correspondence	1971
	16-7	---	1971-1972
	15-19	Terms of Reference	[1967]
	16-1	Commission membership and correspondence	1967-1970
	16-2	---	1971-1972
	16-8	Task Force on Legal Matters [see also File 22-1]	1971-1972
	16-9	Reports, correspondence and drafts of Constitution	1967-1968
	16-10	---	1968
	16-11	---	1968
	16-12	---	1969
	16-13	---	1969
	16-14	---	1969
	16-15	---	1969
	16-16	---	1969-1970

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Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
	17-16	---	1969-1970
	17-17	---	1969-1970
	16-17	---	1970
	17-1	---	1970
	17-2	---	1970
	17-3	---	1970
	17-4	---	1971-1972
	17-5	---	1971-1972
	17-6	---	1971-1972
	17-13	Report re: preparation for first National Assembly	[n.d.]
	17-15	Correspondence	1968-1971
	17-8	--- re: public concerns	1967-1968
	17-9	---	1968-1970
	17-10	---	1970
	17-11	---	1970-1971
	17-12	---	1971
	17-14	--- re: concerns of church structure from Regional Subcommittees	1969-1971

SERIES 6: DOCTRINAL COMMISSION. --1967-1972.

Series consists of minutes, reports, membership, "Declaration of Faith" publication, papers of church union issues including ministry, the diaconate, episcopacy, membership, and the ordination of women, correspondence, and papers and other resource materials of the Doctrinal Commission.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	18-1	Minutes	1968-1971
	18-6	Meeting agendas and correspondence	1968-1970
	18-7	---	1970-1971
	18-8	---	1971-1972
	18-2	Reports, correspondence, memos	1968-1971
	19-1	--- re: Fellowship and Discipline	[n.d.]
	18-3	Terms of reference	1967
	18-4	Commission membership and correspondence	1967-1971
	18-9	Publication "Declaration of Faith" – Drafts [see also File 7-6]	1968-1969
	18-10	---	1969-1970
	18-11	--- [Summer]	1970
	19-4	Reports and papers re: <u>Ministry</u>	[1968-1971]
		• Ekker, V.: A Church of the Brethren Response to the Meaning of Ordination	
		• Doctrinal Commission – draft statements	

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Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	18-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fairweather, E.R.: The Power to Ordain and Consecrate • Fennell, W.O.: A Comment on Doctrinal Subscription in the Light of Present Practice in the United Church • Hoffman, N.: What Distinction Should Be Drawn Between The General Ministry of the Whole Church and the Ordained Ministry • Luxton, G.N.: Order and Function of the Ministry • Mathers, D.M.: Order and Function of the Ministry 	
		Zizioulas, J.D.: Some Remarks By An Orthodox on the Meaning of Ordination	
		Reports and papers re: <u>The Diaconate</u>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crocket, W.R.: The Diaconate • Doctrinal Commission memos • Joint Commission on Union –Study Paper on the Office of Deacon • Montreal Regional Subcommittee: Report • Montreal Regional Subcommittee: Working Paper 	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newman, D.: On The Question of Ordaining Deacons to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament 	
	18-15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Diaconate and the Eldership 	[ca. 1970]
		--- re: <u>The Episcopacy</u>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence of Rev. R.H.N. Davidson • Crockett, W.R.: Bishops • ---: The Function of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons • Questionnaire forms re: Bishops • Report of the Study of Episkope • Wadsworth, G.C., R.H.N. Davidson, R.E. Osborne – “The Function of a Bishop” – Drafts 	
		--- re: <u>Laying of the Hands</u> (various)	
		--- re: <u>Membership</u>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peters, M.J.: Who is a Church Member? • Smillie, B.G.: The Local Congregation 	
19-6	19-2	--- re: <u>Ordination of Women</u>	[1971]
	19-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allen, E.: A Note On Recent Roman Catholic Discussions on the Ordination of Women • Bays, P.: Should Women Be Ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament? 	
	19-6		[1970]
			[197-?]

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Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	19-6 cont.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catanzaro, C.J.: The Ordination of Women – Is It Spiritual? • ---: Women and Holy Orders 	[197-?]
		Reports and papers re: Ordination of women cont.	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dakin, R.: The Ordination of Women in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) • Summary – General Council Debates 	
	19-17	Correspondence	1968-1972
	19-8	Correspondence re: public concerns	1968-1969
	19-9	---	1969
	19-10	---	1969-1970
	19-11	---	1970
	19-12	---	1970-1971
	18-5	Memos [various]	1968
	18-12	Papers, briefs, correspondence and other Commission resource material:	[n.d.]
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robinson: A Critical Appraisal of the Plan of Union – first Draft, from the Doctrinal Point of View 	
	18-14	---:	[n.d.]
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dakin, R.: Elders in the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) 	
1985.093C	19-5	---:	[n.d.]
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chalmers, R.C.: Special Commission on Doctrine [Principles of Union] 	
	19-7	---:	1971
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craig/Latimer: The Anglican-Methodist Unity Scheme • Stackhouse, R.F.: New Zealand Plan for Church Union 	
	19-13	---:	[1968]
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Correspondence • Chalmers, R.C.: Church Discipline – draft • Fairweather, E.R.: The Question of a New Statement of faith • Jay, E: Adequacy of The Principles of Unions References to Scriptures 	
	19-14	Papers, briefs, correspondence and other Commission resource material cont.:	1968
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fennell, W.O.: The Relation of the Church to the Written Instruments of Faith and Doctrine • Hamilton, K.: Commission Paper 	

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Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
	19-15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reeve, E.: A Consideration of Principles of Union Document with regard to "Order and Disciple" – draft 	1968-1970
	19-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correspondence re: ordination of women Fennell, W.O.: What Is the Church and Who Are Its Members – draft [edits by Rev. Craig?] Papers re: ordination of women Parke-Taylor, G.: Statement of Faith – revised draft Smith, R.: Episkope in the New Church Winnipeg Regional Subcommittee – Statement of Faith –draft and comments World Council of Churches correspondence 	1968-1969

SERIES 7: LEGAL COMMISSION. --1967-1972.

Series consists of minutes, membership, and correspondence of the Legal Commission.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	19-18	Minutes, agendas, correspondence	1967-1969
	19-19	Terms of reference	1967
	19-20	Membership and correspondence	1967-1971
	19-22	Correspondence	1969-1972
	19-21	--- re: public concerns	1968-1972

SERIES 8: LITURGICAL COMMISSION. --1967-1972.

Series consists of minutes, reports, membership, correspondence, and papers and other resource materials of the Liturgical Commission.

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Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	20-11	Minutes	1968-1972
	20-8	Meeting agendas and correspondence	1968-1970
	20-9	---	1970-1971
	20-10	---	1971-1972
	20-4	Reports and correspondence	1968-1970
	20-5	---	1970
	20-25	Reports re: consecration of bishops	[1970]
	20-13	--- re: Christian initiation	[1970]
	20-14	--- re: Eucharist – the elements	[1970]
	20-15	--- re: unification of the ministry	[1970]
	20-16	--- re: music in liturgy	[1970]
	20-17	--- re: national service of inauguration	[1970]
	20-18	--- re: study papers on New Zealand	[1970]
	20-19	--- re: ordination of a presbyter	[1970]
	20-20	--- re: public worship	1970
	20-21	--- re: experimental services	1968-1970
	20-22	--- re: services of unification	1969
	20-1	Terms of reference	1967
	20-2	Membership and correspondence	1967-1969
	20-3	---	1969-1972
	20-6	Correspondence	1971-1972
	20-7	--- re: public concerns	1968-1972
	20-23	--- ---	1969-1970
	20-24	--- ---	1968-1972
1985.093C	20-12	Papers, briefs and other Commission resource material - referenced in commission meetings [index listing found at front]	1968-1972

SERIES 9: COMMITTEE ON CHURCH UNION AND JOINT MISSION. --1973-1977.

Series consists of minutes, reports, membership, finances, records relating to senior staff consultation, records of the various Task Forces, addresses, correspondence and memoranda, *Ecumenical Digest* newsletter, and papers and other resource materials of the Committee.

Related groups of records: See also Division of Finance fonds (519) for Committee financial records, 1968-1975.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
2013.051C	1-1	Executive minutes	1974-1975
	1-2	Committee minutes	1973-1975
1985.017C	1-5	Reports – re: financial officers of negotiating churches; description of pension plans	1974

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Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.093C	21-5	Committee membership [includes list of resource persons]	1972-1974
2013.051C	1-6	Terms of reference and membership	1972-1975
1985.093C	22-10	Financial records	1973-1977
2013.051C	1-7	---	1974-[1976]
1985.093C	21-13	Senior Staff Consultation - Minutes	1973
	22-14	--- re: Division of Mission in Canada (UCC)	1972-1975
	22-1	Task Force on Legal Matters [see also File 16-8]	1974-1975
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report on voting procedures • Anglican Questionnaire on Church Union • Report – Attitudes of Canadian Anglicans Towards Union with the United Church of Canada and the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ): a report of the findings of a nation-wide survey conducted during April 1975 for the National Executive Council of the ACC 	
1985.093C	22-6	Task Force on Ministerial Supply	1974
	21-14	Task Force on Ministry	[1974?]
	22-5	Task Force on Organization	1974
	22-4	Task Force on Promotion	1974
	22-12	Task Force on Resource Persons	1973-1976
	22-3	---	1974
	21-8	Task Force on Revision	1974-1975
	22-8	---	1973-1975
	22-2	Task Force on the Role of Women in the Church of Christ in Canada [corr.]	1974-1975
	22-9	Task Force on Study Guide & Printed Resources [includes draft copies]	1974
	22-18RR	Confidential report re: ACC ministers	1976
	22-7	Study Paper - "One Way Which Might Be Proposed re: Union" [includes draft copy]	1974
	22-17	--- comments	1973
	24-10	Addresses/Papers	1974
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craig, R.: A Union Church – A Uniting Church 	
	21-16	---:	1974
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craig, R.: Steps Along the Way 	
	24-9	---:	1973; 1976
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Craig, R.: Address to General Synod, Regina, 1973 • Latimer, R.: "Changes" Address to General Synod, Regina, 1973 	
		---: Anglican Actions on Church Union – Past and Present, 1976	
	21-2	Correspondence	1973-1974

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Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
2013.051C	1-4	---	1973-1975
1985.093C	21-15	---	1974-1975
	22-19	--- [includes re: <i>Ecumenical Digest</i> newsletter]	1976
	22-11	--- re: CCDOC	1973-1975
	22-20	--- re: General Synod (ACC)	1973-1976
	22-16	--- re: Council of Christian Unity visit (CCDOC)	1974-1975
	21-3	--- re: resource material	[1973-1974]
	21-9	--- re: public concerns	1974
	21-10	--- ---	1974
	21-11	--- ---	1974
1985.093C	21-1	Memos (various)	1973-1976
2013.051C	1-5	Miscellaneous releases	1975-1976
1985.093C	23-1	Committee mailing lists	1975
	1-7	<i>Ecumenical Digest</i> Newsletter (Vol. 1, No. 1-3. 1973) (Vol. 2, No. 1-5. 1974)	1973-1974
	1-8	--- (Vol. 3, No. 1-3)	1975
	21-6	Papers, briefs, and other Committee resource materials:	1974
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coleman, W.R.: Initiation • Grant, J.W.: Bishops • Jay, E.: Comparison Statement • Payne, J.: Please Don't Make Me Obsolete or, Deaconesses – A Threatened Species • Smith, R.: Comparison, Deacons/Deaconess, Pastoral Zones • ---: Corroborating and/or Challenging Anglican Assumptions about Constitutional Episcopacy in the Church of Christ in Canada 	
	21-7	---:	1974
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACC Committee on Plan of Union • Dakin, R.: Disposal of Communion Elements • Fairweather, E.: Critique of Plan of Union re Ministry • Fennell, W.O.: Comment on • National Service of Inauguration • Working Paper on Revision 	
	21-8	---:	1974
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garnsworthy/Read/Stiff: Agenda for Church Unity • Inter-Church Relations Committee: report to ACC • Parker, I.: Response 	

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Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Scott, E.: Address to General Synod; Report to ACC• ---: Summary of Some Reasons for "hurt" Being Felt by Anglicans Arising From Union Discussions with the UCC and Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)	
1985.093C	21-8 cont.	Papers, briefs, and other Committee resource materials cont.: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reports (various)• Wills, K.: Report	1974

SERIES 10: JOINT NATIONAL COMMITTEE ON UNION NEGOTIATIONS (BETWEEN THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST) IN CANADA AND THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA. --1976-1984.

Series consists of minutes, reports and consultation document including the Covenant of Intention, 1977, and a Study Guide produced by the Committee, 1984, and correspondence.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1985.017C	1-1	Minutes (includes Executive)	1976-1978
	1-3	Reports – re: Covenant of Intention; "Study Document"	1977; 1984
	1-1	Consultation document – draft (made up of former Committee on Union and Joint Mission members, included in minutes)	1976
1985.093C	22-15	1976 Convention(CCDOC) [includes statements re: church union]	1976
1985.017C	1-2	Correspondence	1976-1978

SERIES 11: RECORDS RELATING TO THE LEGESLATIVE PROCESS. --1965-1969.

Series consists of papers, correspondence and Plan of Union records relating to the legislative process (largely between the United Church and the Evangelical United Brethren).

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1996.035C	1-5	Papers and Correspondence: Legislative process, Church Transfers - Part 1	1965-1967
	1-5	- - - Part 2	1967-1968
	1-5	- - - Part 3	1968-1969
	1-7	Plan of Union and related Documents	1968
	1-8	Legislation: An act respecting The United Church- Evangelical United Brethren Church (UCC/EUB)	1968

SERIES 12: RECORDS OF THE UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA GENERAL SECRETARIES

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RELATING TO UNION. --1944-1973.

Subseries consists of reports and correspondence of Gordon A. Sisco and Ernest E. Long that relate to matters of church union.

Acc. No.	Box/File	Title	Date(s)
1996.035C	1-1	Rev. Gordon A. Sisco - Reports and correspondence	1944-1948
	1-3	Rev. Ernest E. Long - correspondence	1958-1966
1982.206C	2-5	---	1961-1962
	2-1	---	1961-1965
1996.035C	1-6	--- - correspondence and minutes	1963-1964
1985.093C	3-9	--- re: Study Guide, Principles of Union, printing, publishing, and drafts, for Committee of Ten (UCC/EUB)	1963-1966
1982.206C	1-5	---	1965-1966
1996.035C	1-4	---	1967-1968
1982.206C	2-4	---	1968-1973

SERIES 13: RECORDS OF A.B.B. MOORE RELATING TO UNION. --1960-1972.

Series consists of addresses, including draft copies, and correspondence of Arthur B.B. Moore that relate to matters of church union. A leader in the United Church and ecumenical organizations, Moore participated in church union negotiations and served as Chairman of the United Church Committee on Union and Co-Chairman of the Joint General Commission on Union with the Anglican Church of Canada.

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1985.093C	24-1	Addresses [includes draft copies]	1969-1972
	24-2	Correspondence	1960-1964
	24-3	---	1965
	24-4	--- (Jan-Jun)	1966
	24-5	--- (Jul-Nov)	1966
	24-6	---	1967-1968
	24-7	---	1969-1970

SERIES 14: INTERNATIONAL AND ECUMENICAL PERSPECTIVES ON UNION. --1969-1976.

Series consists of records of various ecumenical activities and discussions regarding church union, including records of the Annual Consultation on Ecumenical Relations, the Consultation on Church Union, the World Council of Churches including the Consultation held in Toronto in 1975, as well as correspondence with foreign church bodies.

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1985.093C	23-7	Annual Consultation on Ecumenical Relations (Anglican Church of Canada and, Episcopal	1973-1975

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		Church in the U.S.A., the Province of the West Indies) [includes United Church/union committee members and church union in Canada]	
	1-10	Consultation on Church Union (COCU) – papers and correspondence	1969-1971
	23-4	--- plenary meeting reports, Memphis 1973; Cincinnati 1976	1973; 1976
2013.023C	1-9	--- - Executive Committee and members list	1974
	1-10	World Council of Churches - Commission on Faith and Order, Negotiations for Organic Union now under way.	1974
1985.093C	23-2	WCC - Consultation of United Churches and Committees of Union, Toronto, June 2-9, 1975: agenda and participants list	1975
	23-5	--- addresses by church representatives	1975
	23-3	--- correspondence	1975
	25-6	--- ---	1975
	1-9	WCC – General correspondence	1972-1973
	23-8	---	1973-1976
	23-9	WCC – Papers and briefs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eucharist and Ministry: A Lutheran-Roman Catholic Statement • Holst, W.: The Counter Culture as Challenge and Opportunity: Some Implications for the Emerging Church (prepared for the Lutheran-Reformed Dialogue), Nov. 1972 	1972-1973
1985.093C	23-9 cont.	WCC – Papers and briefs cont.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meadows, R.F.: The Union of 19125 – A United Church Viewpoint (prepared for the Lutheran-Reformed Dialogue), Nov. 1972 • Ministry and Ordination: A Statement on the Doctrine of Ministry Agreed by the Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission, 1973 • Smart, J.D.: The Union of 1925 – A Presbyterian View (prepared for the Lutheran-Reformed Dialogue), Nov. 1972 • Summary sheet of various union consultations world wide 	1972-1973
		Threinen, N.J.: What A Lutheran Can Learn from the 1925 Union (prepared for the Lutheran-Reformed Dialogue), Nov. 1972	
	23-10	Correspondence with foreign churches re: Australia	1972-1975

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	23-12	--- Britain	1972-1976
	23-15	--- India	1971-1973
	23-13	--- Malawi	1973-1975
	23-11	--- New Zealand	1969-1976
	23-14	--- Sri Lanka	1973-1976

APPENDIX A: FINDING AID ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY BY NEIL SEMPLE, 1981.

Appendix: Finding Aid Administrative History by Neil Semple, 1981.

The concern over Christian unity from within the Anglican tradition dates from the late nineteenth century. In 1861, the first Provincial Synod of the Church of England in Canada was organized. Twenty years later, in 1881, an informal synodal gathering met at Trinity College, Toronto under the sponsorship of Bishop Sweatman of Toronto and Canon (later Bishop) Carmichael presented a paper entitled, "The Best Steps for Promoting the Unity of Christendom." Canon Carmichael suggested a Christian gathering be summoned to discuss Christian unity. This meeting was to include representatives from the Protestant, Orthodox, and Roman Catholic traditions. This proposal was well received by the churches, the public and the press in Canada.

In 1886, the House of Bishops of the Provincial Synod of the Church of England in Canada passed a resolution, concurred in by the Lower House, appointing a committee to confer with similar committees from other Christian bodies, "for the purpose of ascertaining whether there is any possibility of honourable union with such bodies." Over the remainder of 1886 and 1887, the Methodist Church (CNB), the Presbyterian Church in Canada, and the Congregational Union appointed committees to discuss union with the Church of England.

These committees met (except Congregationalists who, through an oversight were not invited) in Toronto in April, 1889. This Conference on Christian Unity had earlier received a major boost when the Lambeth Conference of world-wide Anglicans met in England in 1888 and issued a strong appeal for Christian unity. Among the items discussed in Toronto in 1889 were existing areas of cooperation, the Scriptures and Creeds, and the Episcopacy. The conference was well received and encouraged greater harmony among the Protestant denominations.

In 1890, as a follow-up to the Conference on Christian Unity, the Provincial Synod appointed a Committee on Christian Union to continue the discussions based on the proposals of the Lambeth Conference of 1888. Greater strength was given to these discussions after 1893 when the General Synod of the Church of England was established and one organization now represented all Anglicans in the nation. During the 1890s, the talks centred on the Episcopacy, Doctrine and Creeds, and a mutually acceptable ministry. No real progress was made, however, and the union movement lagged. Even with the creation in 1898 of the Canadian Society of Christian Union (including Anglicans, Methodists, and Presbyterians) the major stumbling blocks remained.

Little of the consequence was done by the Church of England in Canada throughout the first two decades of the twentieth century. Over the same period, however, the details were worked out for the union of the Methodist, Congregational and Presbyterian Churches.

Nevertheless, in England, the Lambeth Conference of 1920 revised the 1888 resolutions. For example, it changed "historic episcopacy" to "constitutional episcopacy" and urged reunion of Christians and the quest for a mutually acceptable ministry. Potentially these revisions could have removed several of the major impediments to union. In Canada, at the General Synod of 1921, the Primate urged favourable consideration of the recent Lambeth report. The Synod in fact adopted Lambeth's resolutions and established another committee to confer with episcopal and non-episcopal denominations.

Paralleling this development, the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in Canada ordered its union committee to confer with the Church of England and any other Christian Church concerning the reunion of Christendom. In June, 1922, the Anglicans presented a proposal for union negotiations to the Presbyterians, Methodists, and Congregationalists. All three churches, however, were heavily involved in their own union talks. The Methodists and the Congregationalists supported the principle of the larger union but felt any discussion should wait until their own union was consummated. The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church asked its union committee to establish a sub-committee to meet with the Church of England's representatives. Some dissident Presbyterians hoped the prospect of Anglican/Presbyterian union would at least postpone Methodist/Presbyterian union. Other among the three uniting churches felt the Anglicans were not really serious but were merely attempting to interfere with their plans. Many Anglicans were later sympathetic to the non-concurring Presbyterians and this led to some hostility with the United Church of Canada. In any event, the Presbyterian union committee simply did not appoint a sub-committee to meet with the Anglicans and nothing was done on either side for the rest of the decade.

During the 1930s, under the economic pressure of the Great Depression, the Church of England and the United Church cooperated in certain sections of Quebec, the North and Western Canada. No formal conversations took place, however. After the hiatus of the depression and the early war years, the Church of England in Canada again put out an invitation for union discussions. Many in the church felt that a united Christian church must be created for the brave new post-war world. Between September 9th and 17th, 1943, the General Synod of the Church of England marked its fiftieth anniversary in a spirit of high optimism and celebration. It readily adopted the report of its committee on reunion that expressed a desire to open up concrete negotiations with sister denominations. Moreover, on motion by Bishop John Lyons of Ontario and Canon W.H. Davison of Montreal it was agreed to meet, "in conference and prayer with representatives of a Christian communion which shares its hopes and aspirations for a united Christendom." A reunion committee met and elected an executive which sent out invitations to the Christian bodies in Canada.

This proved to be a more difficult task than had been anticipated. It was not possible to ascertain to whom in the Roman Catholic Church the invitation should be sent since there was no Primate in the Roman communion in Canada. Furthermore, the Pope issued orders forbidding any national group of Roman Catholics to have official conversations with other bodies. Because of this, no invitation was sent by the Anglicans. Invitations were sent to the United Church and to the Presbyterian Church. At the time there was no central officer of the Baptists, so that it was some years before the invitation was sent to them. The Lutherans and the Eastern Orthodox were divided into Synods or ethnic groups, some of which had their headquarters outside the Dominion. It was therefore not possible to invite them.

The Presbyterian Church in Canada finally responded to the invitation in late 1944, but the conversations did not proceed very far. They were still smarting from the union of 1925 and were anxious to preserve their own separate identity. After several friendly meetings the conversations lapsed and were not taken up again.

The response of the United Church, however, was quite different. The Church had a long standing commitment to organic union and broad Christian unity. The General Council met in 1944 and gladly accepted the invitation of the Anglicans. It established a sub-committee of fifteen from its Commission on Reunion to meet with fifteen representatives of the Church of England in Canada. At a meeting in Church House in Toronto, it was agreed to appoint five members of each denomination to carry on the conversations and to report back to the Committees of Fifteen.

While the original purpose of the Conversations was to achieve corporate union, they tended to narrow their initial focus to questions of mutually acceptable ministries and local cooperation in the field. Beyond these, committees were also set up to analyse the doctrines of the two churches. Nothing was found that was fundamentally unacceptable in either church's declarations, although this was not exactly true with regard to each other's ministries. Nevertheless, the joint committee did draw up a plan for the conferring of each other's ministry. The "Plan for a Mutually Acceptable Ministry" was presented for study to the church bodies in 1946. The report, however, was not accepted because of some hostility but general

apathy. The English Lambeth Conference, when it discussed the Canadian plan, did not discourage the work but felt it did little to promote the ultimate goal of organic union. The Canadian churches would have been better advised not to get bogged down in these matters. In 1946, the General Synod also accepted the idea that any united church would have to maintain an episcopal, presbyterial, and congregational element in the ministry.

In the United Church, the Plan on the ministry also ran into problems and was not accepted. However, a significant break-through was achieved at the General Council meetings in the 1950 when the United Church passed the following resolution: "That, in view of the fact that the Episcopate was from early times and for many centuries accepted, and by the greater part of Christendom is still accepted, it is our conviction that the continuance of the Episcopate in some constitutional form should effectively maintained, both the inauguration of a union between these respective Churches and after. This would not be considered as committing us to any particular doctrine of the Episcopate. Equally, in view of the place which the Council of Presbyters and the Congregation of the faithful had in the early Church, and continued to have in the serval traditions, we have inherited and now possess in our own Communion, we must insist that those principles also be effectively maintained in any other organic union." The General Synod of the Church of England noted this motion with approval in 1952 and union discussions could now take on a more definite tone since both churches accepted some form of episcopacy and presbyterial ministry.

When in 1955 it was suggested that the Joint Union Committees should work on the preparation of a general basis for union, however, little agreement was found. Discussions had in fact reached a significant impasse because of general disagreement on the next steps to take. Even though the Church of England, in 1949, and the United Church, in 1950, had agreed that organic union rather than simple institutional cooperation must be pursued, this step seemed too great for many in the Churches. Conversations did not cease, but little was really being done at the national level.

The principal work for union was then shifted to the regional level where interest was still locally significant. In 1958, in fact, the Montreal based a sub-committee of the Joint Committee on Unity prepared an 'Outline Scheme of Union.' This document was to provide a working paper for more general discussions on union. Premature publicity, misunderstanding, and a general reticence by the members of both denominations however forced this plan to be shelved. At the same time another plan for practical cooperation, especially at the local level, was also rejected.

At this point discussions at all levels almost ceased. In 1959 both Churches when faced with this prospect emphatically urged continuance of the negotiations. A League of Prayer for Unity was established and a study booklet, "Growth In Understanding" was prepared. Both of these developments kept the prospect of union before the general membership of the Churches and reinforced the general desire to accomplish some meaningful unity. It was also hoped that they would help answer the criticism that union was a 'headquarters' plan that was being forced on the membership. In the end many complained that this criticism was never satisfactorily [sic] resolved by the executives of both churches.

In the meantime, work continued at the local level and there was significant progress made in London Conference/Huron Diocese toward the preparation of a working paper on union. This joint project was finally presented in 1965 as, "A Suggested Plan for the Reunion of the United Church of Canada and the Anglican Church of Canada." At the national level, the House of Bishops and the Executive Council of the newly renamed Anglican Church of Canada, in 1963, called for the preparation of "A Plan of Unity" by the Anglican Committee on Church Unity and the Commission on Unity of the United Church. This document, entitled, "Principles of Union" was produced by a sub-committee of the Joint Committees of Ten and was accepted by the General Synod of the Anglican Church in 1965. At the next General Council meetings of the United Church, in 1966, that body also accepted the document as the basis of organic union. The London Conference/Huron Diocese Plan was ignored and this caused a fair amount of local resentment.

With the Principles of Union accepted, concrete negotiations for union finally got under way in 1967. The Anglican and United Churches appointed representative to a General Commission on Church Union

and give special commission to do the detailed work. The five commissions were: Church in the World, Constitution, Doctrine, Legal, Liturgical. The Executive Secretaries of the General Commission were Canon Ralph Latimer of the Anglican Church and Dr. Robert B. Craig of the United Church. Both men had been active in the cause of church union for a great many years.

Between June 1967 and November 1972, the General Commission held eleven meetings and its special commissions met regularly. In all, 216 persons, lay and clerical, were appointed to these commissions and briefs were received from numerous others. The commissions took special care to ensure that representation came from every region in Canada, from every shade of theological conviction, and from men, women, and young people.

Moreover, encouragement was given to the non-participating churches in Canada to send official Observer/Consultants and their opinions were both sought and frequently influential in the final reports. Among the churches which sent official representatives were the Baptist Federation of Canada, the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Canada, the Canadian Catholic Conference, the Lutheran Council of Canada, the Greek Orthodox Church and the Presbyterian Church in Canada. The Canadian Council of Churches, National Council of Churches (U.S.A.) and the World Council of Churches were also kept informed of the progress in negotiations.

It is important to remember that behind much of the debate on church union since the Second World War was the international ecumenical movement. The Canadian churches participated and gained suggestions from unions occurring overseas. They felt that they were a significant part of the entire movement to reunite Christendom. This movement included the Protestant denominational organizations such as the World Alliance of Reformed Churches, the Methodist Council, and the Anglican Council as well as the new forces at work within the Roman Catholic Church. Vatican II stimulated liberal and visionary groups throughout the Christian communities to see the possibility of a oneness of Christians. While this broad ecumenism stimulated union in principle, it often was jealous of cross-denominational mergers. It was felt by some that these particular types of union would hurt the world organizations in their particular missions.

In 1969, the small Canadian section of the Christian Church (Disciples) at the Edmonton meeting of its All-Canada Convention (the governing body of the church) decided to leave its Observer status and join formally in the union talks.

The union talks, therefore, became a three-way discussion. The principal concerns of the Christian Church (Disciples) was the role of the laity in the sacraments of the church and the fear of clerical control. They felt no difficulty in the union negotiations which stressed diversity in union and called for a new manifestation of the pre-existing oneness of Christ. The proposed church was not to be an amalgamation, and therefore possibly smothering the small Christian Church, but rather a new church altogether that they could share in designing.

On January 28, 1971, at a joint meeting of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada and the General Council of the United Church of Canada, which met at Niagara Falls (and at the same time to All-Canada Convention of the Christian Church meeting in Toronto) the General Commission on Church Union presented "Plan of Union – First Draft." Throughout 1971 this document was studied by the churches-at-large and was substantially revised and amended. In May, 1972, a Revision Committee was established to prepare a final plan for the three churches. On November 6, 1972, the General Commission on Church Union formally endorsed this document.

The new "Plan of Union" was presented to the three churches on February 7, 1973 and released to the general public by May of that year. With this accomplished, the General Commission and its five special commissions ended their mandate. Canon Latimer retired from the active ministry as of May 31, 1973. He had been ill for some time, but wished to see the Plan of Union finished. The General Commission was then replaced by a smaller committee to aid and advise the three churches in the study and implementation of the Plan of Union. This committee, under the secretaryship of Robert B. Craig, was called the Committee on Church Union and Joint Mission and it met throughout 1973 and 1974 to revise and

publicize the positive aspects of the plan.

However, in February, 1975, the House of Bishops and the National Executive Council of the Anglican Church prosed a radical change in direction in the negotiations on church union in Canada, based on the follow:

1. The Plan of the Union in its present form was unacceptable
2. Other approaches to church union should be explored
3. The Lund Principle: "That we should do nothing separately that we can do together," should be stressed.

In reality, the Anglican Church and especially many of the bishops were not willing to take the final step to organic union. The Board of Directors of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Canada and the Executive of the General Council of the United Church responded to the Anglican action and agreed to consider and investigate the possibilities of other expressions of unity and an agreement by stages rather than by the one step process of a total Plan of Union. At the same time, both of these churches reaffirmed their own commitment to the ongoing union process.

In June, 1975, the 27th Session of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, while it reaffirmed its commitment to union and to the principles of faith and order, refused to go further toward organic union based on the structures of the Principles of Union or the Plan of Union. This left the Committee on Church Union and Joint Mission with no recourse but to end its operation in the fall of 1975. Dr. Craig went back to the pastorate at Humbercrest United Church in Toronto.

Informal talks continue between the United Church and the Anglican Church, but in reality the union negotiations have ended. Nevertheless, with some real concern about the nature of the proposed union now that the Anglicans have withdrawn, the Christian Church and the United Church continue their own talks for a union. Thus closed over thirty years of formal discussions and over a century of active concern within the Church of England about organic union with other Protestant denominations.

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November, 1981

