



Convocation of Anglicans in North America Missionary Diocese of CANA West

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Diocesan Policy Concerning Annual Membership Fees for Nigerian Parishes

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CANA dioceses are unique in that they are affiliated with both the Church of Nigeria and the ACNA. In some respects, CANA dioceses operate under the systems of both provinces. The requirement for payment of annual church membership fees, an accepted practice of the Church of Nigeria, will be permitted for Nigerian parishes in the Missionary Diocese of CANA West.

As Bishop of this diocese, I will allow membership fees of not more than \$100/year per adult for Nigerian parishes which choose to enact them as long as they do not result in a lack of spiritual and pastoral care for those unable to afford them. Refusal to pay membership fees in those Nigerian parishes which enact them, however, may affect voting rights and other select non-pastoral privileges as determined by each individual parish.

In Christ,

The Rt. Reverend Dr. Felix C. Orji
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