



## THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA

The Right Reverend Clifton Daniel, 3rd, D.D., Bishop

January 4, 2013

The President and Members of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of East Carolina:  
The Reverend Messrs. Kevin Johnson (President), Sonny Browne, Robert Alves  
Mrs. Jane Martin, Mrs. Cheryl Taft, Mr. Brian Buss

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Dear Friends,

It has been my privilege and honor to serve the Diocese of East Carolina as your bishop for sixteen years. I was born, baptized, confirmed, ordained and married in this diocese. Serving this diocese as its bishop has been both a joy and an opportunity to express some degree of my depth of thanksgiving for this diocese and its people.

On January 12, 2013, at a duly convened convention, my name will be submitted by the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Pennsylvania for election as Bishop Provisional and I will accept the election. In conversation with the Standing Committee of that Diocese, I anticipate assuming the position sometime during the first half of March.

Therefore, I write to you to submit my resignation as Bishop Diocesan of the Diocese of East Carolina, effective February 28, 2013. I submit my resignation for reasons of mission strategy, in accord with the conditions stated in the Constitution and Canons of The Episcopal Church.

I am confident in the health and vitality of the Diocese of East Carolina. I have confidence in the ongoing ministry and leadership of the Standing Committee. I keep each of you in my heart with thanksgiving. I assure you of my prayers in the days ahead.

With all best wishes, I remain,

Faithfully yours,

*+ Clifton Daniel, 3rd*

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Bishop of East Carolina