



September 25, 2025

After careful review of the public allegations made on September 23rd by Bishop Derek Jones regarding financial matters from 2017-2019, and having examined the independent forensic accounting review conducted by Paul Cursano CPA, the Standing Committee unanimously finds these allegations to be without merit and slanderous in nature.

The CPA's thorough investigation clearly demonstrated that all funds from the Jurisdiction of the Armed Forces and Chaplaincy were properly deposited, categorized, and designated for their intended purposes. No funds were misdirected or misappropriated. The QuickBooks audit trail confirms no alterations were made to any transactions after the allegations were raised. Standard nonprofit fund accounting practices were properly followed throughout.

We affirm our complete confidence in Bishop Julian Dobbs' integrity and financial stewardship. The independent review conclusively refutes all allegations of financial impropriety. We consider this matter closed and call upon all parties to focus on the mission and ministry of the Church.

The Standing Committee expresses its concern about the damage such unfounded public allegations cause to the reputation of our Diocese and its leadership, and we stand firmly with Bishop Dobbs as he continues his faithful service to Christ and His Church.

In Christ's Service,

The Standing Committee

Anglican Diocese of the Living Word